

PENN TOWNSHIP MUNICIPAL AUTHORITY

Minutes From Regularly Scheduled Meeting December 6, 2012

A regularly scheduled meeting of the Penn Township Municipal Authority was held on Thursday, December 6, 2012 at 7:05 p.m. in the Penn Township Municipal Authority Office located at 2595 Route 522, Suite 20, Selinsgrove, PA. Vice-Chairman Neal Smith presiding.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Vice-Chairman Neal Smith, Treasurer Timothy Laubscher and Assistant Secretary/Treasurer James Newman

MEMBERS ABSENT: Chairman Thomas Ferry and Secretary Gregory Aungst

OTHERS PRESENT: Solicitor Robert Cravitz, Inspector Pete DeWire, and Admin. Secretary Susan Seebold

VISITORS PRESENT: None

MINUTES:

The Authority members reviewed the minutes of the November 1, 2012 PTMA meeting. A motion was made by Treasurer Timothy Laubscher to approve the minutes from the November 1, 2012 Penn Township Municipal Authority meeting as presented. Assistant Secretary/Treasurer James Newman seconded the motion with Vice-Chairman Neal Smith abstaining, since he was not at the aforementioned meeting. Motion Passed.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

CORRESPONDENCE:

ESCRA Service Fees – John Whitmer, ESCRA:

The Authority members reviewed and briefly discussed the November 23, 2012 letter from John Whitmer, Chairman of Eastern Snyder County Regional Authority (ESCRA), concerning the calculation of the ESCRA service fees.

CHRIST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH LAND DEVELOPMENT:

Inspector Pete DeWire reported the boring under Route 522 for the Christ UMC water main extension has been completed and the water main extension is currently being constructed.

BREEZEWOOD, PHASE 1A:

Vice-Chairman Neal Smith stated there was nothing new to report on Breezewood, Phase 1A.

REVISIONS TO PTMA WATER GENERAL SPECIFICATIONS – WATER METERS:

Vice-Chairman Neal Smith reported that as of January 1, 2014, a new federal law will be enacted where only a certain amount of lead is allowed in copper water parts. Due to this law, the current water meters used by PTMA will be phased out starting January 1, 2013. Vice-Chairman Smith further reported to comply with the new above-mentioned law, the PTMA water specification will need to be amended to include the use of a water meter that meets with the new requirements. After a brief discussion, Vice-Chairman Neal Smith motioned to authorize Gannett Fleming, Inc. to create an addendum to Section 2.24 – METERS of the Penn Township Municipal Authority General Specifications for Water System Construction (Revised June 2007) to comply with the January 1, 2014 federal law concerning the amount of lead allowed in copper water system materials. Assistant Secretary/Treasurer James Newman seconded the motion and unanimously approved.

After further discussion, Assistant Secretary/Treasurer James Newman motioned to amend Penn Township Municipal Authority Schedule A-1, *Water Rates for Penn Township Operating Division* by charging all properties with a 5/8-inch or 3/4-inch water meter a minimum quarterly charge of \$52.80 for the first 8,000 gallons of water used. Assistant Secretary/Treasurer Newman further motioned to remove the current 3/4-inch water meter quarterly charge of \$99.00 for the first 15,000 gallons of water used from the above-mentioned schedule of charges. Treasurer Timothy Laubscher seconded the motion and unanimously approved.

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CHAIRMAN'S REPORT – Thomas Ferry: *None*

VICE-CHAIRMAN'S REPORT – Neal Smith:

Vice-Chairman Neal Smith stated that he has nothing further to report.

INSPECTOR'S REPORT – Pete DeWire:

Inspector Pete DeWire reported that run-off and debris are still running onto the Meadowview Estates Pump Station property from a neighboring construction site. Inspector DeWire further reported that he is working with the construction company to resolve the issue.

OPERATOR'S REPORT – Scott L. Sharp:

Monthly Operating Reports:

The Authority members reviewed and discussed the Monthly Operating Reports submitted by PTMA Operator Scott L. Sharp. (See Attachment A)

Vice-Chairman Neal Smith motioned to approve the purchase of a drum pump to handle the transfer of the Hypochlorite into the drum on the feeder in the containment area. Assistant Secretary/Treasurer James Newman seconded the motion and unanimously approved.

TREASURER'S REPORTS – Timothy Laubscher:

The Authority members reviewed and discussed the financial reports. (See Attachment B and C)

Assistant Secretary/Treasurer James Newman motioned to approve the Payments and Time Cards as presented. Treasurer Timothy Laubscher seconded the motion and unanimously approved.

ADJOURNMENT:

With no further business to discuss, Treasurer Timothy Laubscher motioned to adjourn the December 6, 2012 PTMA meeting at 7:53 p.m. Assistant Secretary/Treasurer James Newman seconded the motion and unanimously approved.

Respectfully Submitted,

**Susan L. Seebold, Administrative Secretary
Penn Township Municipal Authority**