

Minutes of the regular meeting of the Municipal Authority of the Borough of Derry held in the Authority office at 620 N. Chestnut Street, Derry, PA on Wednesday, August 17, 2016.

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 o'clock, p.m. with the following members answering the Roll Call: Mr. Thomas E. Sylvester, Chairman; Mr. Allen G. Skopp, Vice Chairman; Richard K. Thomas, Secretary; Mr. Kevin M. Quinlisk, Treasurer, and Mr. Vincent J. DeCario, Assistant Secretary/Treasurer. Also in attendance were Authority Manager, Amy Forsha and Solicitor Krishna A. DiMascio Esq., of Dodaro, Matta, and Cambest and Engineer, Peter Buss of Gibson-Thomas Engineering.

On a motion by Mr. Skopp and seconded by Mr. Thomas the minutes of the regular meeting of July 20, 2016 were presented for approval. All members present voted in the affirmative.

Visitors

Mrs. Kathy Buszinski of Hunter Road attended the meeting and expressed her concern over the selling of Derry Borough Municipal Authority to the Municipal Authority of Westmoreland County. Mrs. Buszinski feels that the water rates will be a lot higher. Mrs. Buszinski inquired as to when the public meeting will be held and was directed to inquire at the Derry Borough Council meeting.

Correspondence

Mrs. Forsha presented a letter from Elaine Cole of 110 M & B Place in which Mrs. Cole stated that she has a leak and plans to pay \$125 a month until it is paid off. Mrs. Forsha informed the Board that Mrs. Cole has not yet repaired her leak and will be getting another large bill.

Water Bills for July 2016 in the amount of \$102,071.68 and Sewer Bills in the amount of \$42,859.51 were presented for payment. On a motion put forth by Mr. Skopp and seconded by Mr. DeCario, all members voted to pay the bills.

The Water Treasurer's Report showing a checking account balance on June 30, 2016 of \$70,599.01 with deposits of \$105,683.08 and less expenses of \$102,071.68 leaving a reconciled balance of \$74,210.41 for July 31, 2016 was presented by Mrs. Forsha. A motion to accept the treasurer's report was offered by Mr. Thomas and seconded by Mr. Quinlisk. All members voted to accept the treasurer's report, as presented.

Next Mrs. Forsha presented the Sewer Treasurer's Report showing a checking account balance on June 30, 2016 of \$164,644.44 with deposits of \$57,782.45 and less expenses of \$85,499.59 leaving a reconciled balance of \$136,465.20 for July 31, 2016. Mr. Thomas moved and seconded by Mr. Quinlisk to accept the treasurer's reports and attach the same as an exhibit and that the same be incorporated by reference and be made part of these minutes. Upon motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously approved.

The Manager's Water & Sewer Reports were presented by Mrs. Forsha. Included in her detailed monthly reports, Manager Forsha commented on the condition of Ethel Lake and the total gallons of potable water pumped for last month. The costs associated with operating the pump house and the sewage plant were announced and

also included was an equipment report on mileage and fuel consumption. The finished water turbidity reading of .018 NTU was also announced.

The Engineers Report

Mr. Buss stated that his office is preparing plans and specifications for the Upper and Lower Ridge Dam improvements and they are approximately 40% finished. In addition Engineer Buss stated that his office will be beginning the Ethel Springs Spillway study soon. Next, Mrs. Forsha stated that she has been having difficulty getting the Borough Emergency Management Coordinator to sign the Dam Emergency Action Plans and once she obtains his signature she will forward the plans to Gibson-Thomas. Mr. Buss stated that his office has been working on the North Chestnut Street waterline replacement and it appears that right of ways will need to be acquired. Mr. Buss stated that Gibson-Thomas is waiting for approval to begin the volume survey for the Ridge dams and Ethel Springs Lake. Mrs. Forsha informed Mr. Buss that the Board decided at last month's meeting that they would like to proceed with the engineering required for the pump house electrical upgrades. Mr. Buss mentioned that a minor amendment to the PWS permit is required for the Pandora Road waterline extension and the permit application will be submitted to DEP tomorrow. Lastly, Mr. Buss stated that the Act 57 Calculation will be provided to the Authority upon completion.

The Solicitors Report:

Mrs. DiMascio presented a letter dated August 1, 2016 from Borough Solicitor Lee Demosky in regards to the stormwater management agreement. In summary the letter states that the Borough believes all stormwater facilities and responsibilities were conveyed to the Municipal Authority of the Borough of Derry under the transfer agreement of December 13, 2010. Therefore, the Borough does not believe it is responsible for handling any of the responsibilities set forth in the proposed stormwater agreement. Mrs. Forsha mentioned that the articles of incorporation of the Authority do not include stormwater and should be amended. After discussion Solicitor DiMascio plans to talk with the Borough Solicitor and in addition she will ask Solicitor Boring to review the transfer agreement. Next, Solicitor DiMascio presented some documents for signature which are needed for the PennVest Loan transfer.

Water Old Business

After a lengthy discussion the Board decided to bill all trailer parks on a master meter plus a minimum for each unit. The solicitor is to prepare a resolution for the next meeting. Next, Mrs. Forsha informed the Board that the Pine Street waterline replacement is underway and about 1/3 completed. Mrs. Forsha stated that the project involves replacing 900 feet of waterline.

New Water Business was next discussed.

Next, Mr. Thomas read his lead and copper test result letter he received from the municipal authority and commended the manager and operators on operating the plant in such a manner to prevent lead from leaching into the water supply. Mrs. Forsha stated that all testing sites had copper and lead levels well below the action levels. Next, Mrs. Forsha presented a request from Greg Blystone of 1293 SR 217 to connect to public water via a private right of way through 1301 Route 217 instead of extending the public water main in front of his house as per Authority regulations. After discussion the Board agreed to grant Mr. Blystone a waiver. Next, Mrs. Forsha informed the Board that a

month long data logger leak detection survey is underway throughout the entire system with loggers on loan from LB Water. Next, Mrs. Forsha informed the Board that the DEP completed the annual Dam inspections but the inspection reports are not yet available. Mrs. Forsha also informed the Board that the annual loss control safety inspection was completed and it was recommended that the Authority develop a safety manual and an employee manual.

Sewer Old Business was next discussed.

Mrs. Forsha informed the Board that Al Betler has began scraping the old coating of the digester to prepare the digester tank for repairs.

New Sewer Business was next discussed.

Mrs. Forsha stated that she has been investigating water getting into the stormwater system at 2nd Street and McFarland. Mrs. Forsha stated that the water has chlorine and phosphate in the water and she thinks there is a possibility that Highridge Water Authority has a leak near the tracks that is migrating over to the stormwater system.

Mrs. Forsha stated that the Authority crews have done smoke testing in the area and the sewer system and stormwater system are interconnected. In addition Mrs. Forsha stated that there is a lot of infiltration getting into the sewer line due to abandoned sewer laterals. She stated she is looking at redirecting the sewer line and is getting a quote from Santella Excavating to run the line down Culp Street and abandon the old section of line. Lastly, Mrs. Forsha stated that Penn DOT accidently backfilled a sanitary manhole but has since hired to COG and utilized the Vacuum Truck to suck al the gravel out of the manhole.

A motion to enter executive session was offered at 8:06 p.m. o'clock by Mr. Quinlisk and seconded by Mr. DeCario. The Board exited executive session at 8:18 p.m. o'clock.

A motion to Adjourn was offered at 8:19 p.m. o'clock by Mr. Skopp and seconded by Mr. Thomas. All members voted to retire for the evening.

Mr. Richard Thomas

Secretary