

*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, July 20, 2017.*

*The meeting was called to order at 7:00 o'clock, p.m. with the following members answering the Roll Call: Mr. Richard K. Thomas, Chairman; Mr. Kevin M. Quinlisk, Vice Chairman; Mr. Peter A. Checca, Treasurer, and Mr. Fred Goodman, Assistant Secretary/Treasurer. Mr. Thomas E. Sylvester, Secretary was absent from tonight's meeting. Also in attendance were Authority Manager, Amy Forsha and Engineer, Mark Gera of Gibson-Thomas Engineering and Solicitor Nathaniel Boring Esq., of Dodaro, Matta, and Cambest.*

*On a motion by Mr. Goodman and seconded by Mr. Sylvester the minutes of the regular meeting of June 21, 2017 were presented for approval and all members voted in favor.*

#### *Visitors*

*Chad Fabian, Derry Borough Council President presented a list of catch basins that he feels need repairs to the Board. Mrs. Forsha asked Mr. Fabian if the Borough has reviewed and approved the intermunicipal stormwater agreement, which was forwarded to their Solicitor. Mr. Fabian said he will check with the Borough Solicitor as to the status of the intermunicipal stormwater agreement. In addition, Mr. Fabian said the Borough tabled the Gibson-Thomas consulting agreement for the MS4 Permit renewal. Mr. Fabian believes that council members are agreeable to splitting the engineering costs 50/50. Mr. Fabian said like it or not we have to work together. Mr. Fabian said everybody in town keeps asking him if the Water Authority is sold. Mr. Fabian stated that he told them they (the water authority) are not sold and they aren't going anywhere. Mrs. Forsha stated that she read the article in the paper in which the Borough discussed advertising for bids for the Municipal Authority a couple months ago. Mrs. Forsha asked Mr. Fabian where and when the advertisement will be placed in the paper. Mr. Checca stated it was talked about two months ago and nothing has been done yet but he will keep Mrs. Forsha posted. Mr. Fabian stated there is future discussion amongst new council members and council members that have left in the last two months and now he has to clue everybody in as to where we're at, what we're doing, what they want to try to do and if it's actually worth it. Mr. Thomas next extended an invitation to all new council members to tour the Authority's facilities.*

#### *Correspondence*

*Mrs. Forsha read a letter from Mr. Weppelman who requested relief for a leak that occurred over the winter on his outdoor faucet. After discussion Mr. Goodman made a motion to approve a 50% credit and Mr. Quinlisk seconded with all members voting in favor.*

*Water Bills for June 2017 in the amount of \$94,023.18 and Sewer Bills in the amount of \$47,355.09 were presented for payment. On a motion put forth by Mr. Quinlisk and seconded by Mr. Checca, all members voted to pay the bills.*

*The Water Treasurer's Report showing a checking account balance on May 31, 2017 of \$52,104.56 with deposits of \$115,010.81 and less expenses of \$94,023.18 leaving a reconciled balance of \$73,092.19 for June 30, 2017 was presented by Mrs. Forsha. A*

*motion to accept the treasurer's report was offered by Mr. Quinlisk and seconded by Mr. Goodman. 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 May 31, 2017 of \$32,684.60 with deposits of \$64,198.92 and less expenses of \$47,356.89 leaving a reconciled balance of \$49,526.63 for June 30, 2017. Mr. Quinlisk moved and seconded by Mr. Goodman 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 .017 NTU was also announced.*

#### *The Engineers Report*

*Mr. Gera stated that Gibson-Thomas has received an estimate on doing the stability analysis at the dams and the estimated cost is \$139,000 from Ackenheil Engineers. Mr. Gera stated he is getting another estimate from Geomechanics. Mr. Gera stated that the Pandora Road main water line is installed and the contractor is still working on the service lines.*

#### *The Solicitor's Report*

*Mr. Boring did not give an Solicitor's Report during the regular meeting.*

#### *Water Old Business*

*Mrs. Forsha informed the Board that the crew is still working on replacing a 2" galvanized line on Ash Lane.*

#### *Water Department New Business*

*Next, Mr. Thomas made a motion to adopt Resolution #183 Honoring Donald Dell on his retirement and Mrs. Quinlisk seconded with all members voting in favor. Mr. Thomas also made a motion to adopt Resolution #184 Honoring Thomas E. Shomo on his retirement and Mr. Quinlisk seconded the motion with all members also voting in favor of Resolution #184. Mrs. Forsha stated that she is researching CD rates to reinvest the Timber CD. Mrs. Forsha stated that she is going to compare rates of local banks and also get rates from PLGIT. Next, Mr. Goodman made a motion to approve Seal Tite paving as the low bidder for the paving project, and Mr. Quinlisk seconded with all members voting in favor. Next, the Board discussed landlords requesting water to be terminated to tenants as a method of eviction. Solicitor Boring suggested to charge a fee and turn the water off and if the tenant requests the water to be turned back on we turn the water back on with a turn on fee. Mr. Boring stated that the landlord shutting water off as an eviction method would be in violation of the tenant rights act.*

*Sewer Department Old Business*

*Mrs. Forsha stated that she is again looking into replacing 100 ft of 12" terracotta line on West First Ave near the Borough Garage. Mrs. Forsha stated that the project was put on hold while it was discussed with Penn DOT. Originally a manhole was shown on Penn DOT's construction plans in the vicinity of the Borough garage. However, the manhole was closer to the bank and Penn DOT wouldn't pay to replace the extra 100 ft of sewer line and instead installed a new manhole near the Borough garage. Mr. Gera stated that he would like to discuss the project with Joe Yarchak, Gibson-Thomas inspector before the Authority hires Santella to complete the project. Mrs. Forsha also stated that she is also looking at replacing a 400 ft. section of sewer line on East Second Street to reduce infiltration caused by a number of abandoned taps on the sewer line. Mr. Gera is to give Mrs. Forsha an estimated cost of slip lining the pipe.*

*On a motion by Mr. Quinlisk and seconded by Mr. Checca the Board entered executive session at 7:46 p.m to discuss personnel matters. The Board exited executive session at 8:00 p.m.*

*On a motion put forward by Mr. Checca and seconded by Mr. Quinlisk all members voted to adjourn at 8:00 p.m. o'clock.*

*Mr. Fredrick D. Goodman  
Assistant Secretary*