

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, March 15, 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; and Mr. Fred Goodman; Assistant Secretary/Treasurer, who has been appointed to fulfill Mr. Skopp's term. Mr. Thomas E. Sylvester, Secretary and Mr. Peter A. Checca, Treasurer were absent from tonight's meeting. Also in attendance were Authority Manager, Amy Forsha and Engineer, Mark Gera of Gibson-Thomas Engineering. Solicitor Nathaniel Boring Esq., of Dodaro, Matta, and Cambest called in to the meeting.

On a motion by Mr. Quinlisk and seconded by Mr. Thomas the minutes of the regular meeting of February 15, 2017 were presented for approval and Mr. Goodman abstained from voting.

Visitors

Nick Cammuso was also in attendance of behalf of Latrobe Bulletin.

Correspondence

Mrs. Forsha read a letter from Dawn Smith of 1301 Route 217 who requested relief for a leak that occurred under her trailer. After discussion the Board granted Ms. Smith a 50% credit on her leak.

Water Bills for February 2017 in the amount of \$82,017.56 and Sewer Bills in the amount of \$49,217.02 were presented for payment. On a motion put forth by Mr. Quinlisk and seconded by Mr. Thomas, all members voted to pay the bills.

The Water Treasurer's Report showing a checking account balance on January 31, 2017 of \$83,940.35 with deposits of \$60,447.90 and less expenses of \$82,017.56 leaving a reconciled balance of \$62,370.69 for February 28, 2017 was presented by Mrs. Forsha. A motion to accept the treasurer's report was offered by Mr. Quinlisk and seconded by Mr. Thomas. 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 January 31, 2017 of \$74,986.87 with deposits of \$12.71 and less expenses of \$49,217.02 leaving a reconciled balance of \$25,782.56 for February 28, 2017. Mr. Quinlisk moved and seconded by Mr. Thomas 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. Mrs. Forsha mentioned that

an old 12" valve was replaced on the raw waterline while it was down during the Penn DOT raw waterline relocation.

The Engineers Report

Mr. Gera informed the Board that Ethel Springs modeling and hydrology is done and the only thing left to do is the spillway analysis for the Ethel Springs H & H. In addition Mr. Gera informed the Board that RJF Development has submitted their material submittals for the Route 982 line extension and the preconstruction meeting will take place soon. Next, Mrs. Forsha informed the Board that Mr. Petrarca contacted her and asked which project she would like to receive a grant for since there were three grant applications in. Mrs. Forsha stated that Mr. Petrarca feels that the Authority will only be able to receive \$200,000 in grant funding even though some of the projects that she put in to fund were over \$300,000.

The Solicitor's Report

The Solicitor provided a revised manager's agreement for review. Mr. Boring plans on working on the Derry Township Intermunicipal Agreement next.

Water Old Business

Mrs. Forsha informed the Board that the 500 ft of raw waterline was relocated due to the Penn DOT SR217 Bridge Project. Mrs. Forsha informed the Board that she had contact Mr. Petrarca in an attempt to reduce the cost sharing involved in the project. Next, Mrs. Forsha informed the Board that Aqua America and Al Checca toured the Authority facilities. Mr. Thomas stated that Aqua America's purpose of the tour was to evaluate our system and let the Borough Council know if they are interested in submitting a bid to purchase the Municipal Authority. Mr. Gera stated that all the private companies have rates twice as high as municipal authorities. Next, Mr. Quinlisk made a motion and Mr. Thomas seconded with all voting in favor of approving the water and sewer annual report.

Sewer Department New Business

Mrs. Forsha informed the Board that she is looking into redoing the conveyor on the sludge press. The Board also discussed placing a pole building over the sludge press. Mr. Quinlisk asked Mrs. Forsha about the tank recoating. Mrs. Forsha informed the Board that the #2 digester coating was redone under warranty. Mrs. Forsha informed the Board that she believed it was a bonding issue that caused the lining to fail.

Mrs. Forsha informed the Board that she is conducting interviews for the second shift operator trainee position.

A motion to Adjourn was offered at 7:34 p.m. o'clock by Mr. Quinlisk and seconded by Mr. Thomas. All members voted to retire for the evening.

*Mr. Fred Goodman
Assistant Secretary*