

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, October 19, 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 and Mr. Vincent J. DeCario, Assistant Secretary/Treasurer. Richard K. Thomas, Secretary; and Mr. Kevin M. Quinlisk, Treasurer were absent from tonight's meeting. Also in attendance were Authority Manager, Amy Forsha and Solicitor Nathaniel Boring Esq., of Dodaro, Matta, and Cambest and Engineer, Bill Glasser of Gibson-Thomas Engineering.

On a motion by Mr. Skopp and seconded by Mr. DeCario the minutes of the regular meeting of September 21, 2016 were presented for approval. All members present voted in the affirmative.

Visitors

Mr. and Mrs. Long of 176 Seger Road attended the meeting to discuss a request for damages that occurred on their properties because of a water main break. Mr. Ted Pishko of 174 Seger Road also attended the meeting to discuss damages from the water main break. Mr. Sylvester said the claim would be discussed in executive session. Next, Mrs. Kathy Buszinski attended the meeting on behalf of her neighbors, the Wilburns. Mrs. Buszinski stated that she does not feel that her neighbors have been treated fairly with their water leak and she would like the Board to revisit the issue. Mr. Sylvester stated that the Board would discuss the issue again in executive session. Next, Terry Irwin requested a payment plan on a shut off notice he received. Mrs. Forsha stated that because Mr. Irwin is a tenant his landlord should attend the meeting to discuss the situation. Mr. Sylvester said the situation would be discussed in executive session.

Correspondence

Mrs. Forsha presented a letter from Patrick Moxinchalk Jr. who requested relief from a high water bill due to a hose which was left running. After discussion the Board granted Mr. Moxinchalk a 50% credit on his water leak. Next, Mrs. Forsha presented a letter from Katherine Hebenthal of 104 Clifton Street who received a high bill due to a water leak. The Board decided to discuss the issue in executive session.

Water Bills for September 2016 in the amount of \$103,900.27 and Sewer Bills in the amount of \$33,347.92 were presented for payment. On a motion put forth by Mr. DeCario and seconded by Mr. Skopp, all members voted to pay the bills.

The Water Treasurer's Report showing a checking account balance on August 31, 2016 of \$85,522.48 with deposits of \$113,380.77 and less expenses of \$103,900.27 leaving a reconciled balance of \$95,002.98 for September 30, 2016 was presented by Mrs. Forsha. A motion to accept the treasurer's report was offered by Mr. Skopp and seconded by Mr. DeCario. 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 August 31, 2016 of \$52,205.94 with deposits of \$122,244.69 and less expenses of \$33,347.92 leaving a reconciled balance of \$141,102.71 for September 30,

2016. Mr. Skopp moved and seconded by Mr. DeCario 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 also read the collections report.

The Engineers Report

Mr. Gera informed the Board that plans and specs for the Upper and Lower Ridge Dam Spillway Improvements were submitted to PA DEP Dam Safety on September 21, 2016. Mr. Gera also stated that the Ethel Springs Spillway Study is in progress. In addition, Mr. Gera informed the Board that the Dam Emergency Action Plans were updated and submitted to the PA DEP on September 9, 2016. Mr. Gera stated that plans are completed for the North Chestnut Waterline Replacement. In addition, Mr. Gera informed Mr. DeCario that the CDBG Pandora Road project is in for PWS Permit approval. Mr. Gera also informed the Board that as long as he receives all necessary permits the grant applications will be submitted for the following projects: Water Treatment Plant Electrical Upgrade, Upper Ridge and Lower Ridge Spillway Improvements, North Chestnut Street Waterline Replacement, and Pandora Waterline Extension.

The Solicitors Report:

Mr. Boring informed the Board that the Dogwood closing will be done soon. Mr. Boring has not heard back from Harrisburg as to the status of the PennVest Loan closing for the sewer loans. Mr. Boring informed the Board that he spoke with Derry Borough Solicitor Lee Demosky and informed him that a stormwater agreement is required by the DEP. Mr. Demosky is to review the agreement and draft a response. Mr. Boring stated that he has plans to draft a new intermunicipal agreement with Derry Township Sewer Authority. Mr. Boring also stated that he is working on the manager's job description and agreement. Next, Mrs. Forsha asked Mr. Boring about a property transfer that took place between Carol Miller and Bernie Myers without the final bill being paid. Mr. Boring stated that she could lien the property if the final bill is not paid.

Water Old Business

The Board decided to table trailer park billing until the next meeting. Next, Mrs. Forsha informed the Board that Jeremiah Thomas did not want to agree to the previously sent payment agreement and requested that the Board revisit the issue. After discussion the Board agreed to a one year payment plan for Mr. Thomas which states that he must pay his current bill plus \$166/month. Next, Mrs. Forsha informed the Board that she received a favorable determination letter from the IRS regarding the pension plan. In addition Mrs. Forsha informed the Board that they need to adopt an amendment to the plan which was required by the IRS. After discussion the Board tabled the amendment to

the plan until the pension plan administrator has a chance to review it. Mrs. Forsha informed the Board that she purchased a used leak detector from LB Water.

Water New Business

Mrs. Forsha presented the paving estimates. On a motion by Mr. DeCario and seconded by Mr. Skopp the Board approved Seal-Tite paving as the low bidder at \$18,450.00. Next, Mrs. Forsha presented the chemical bids for approval. On a motion by Mr. Skopp and seconded by Mr. DeCario the Board approved the low bidders for each chemical. Next, Mrs. Forsha informed the Board that they are part of a class action lawsuit regarding paying too high of health care rates to Highmark. Next, Mrs. Forsha informed the Board that next year the healthcare rates will be going up around 6.6%.

Sewer Old Business was next discussed.

Mrs. Forsha informed the Board that Al Betler has completed the digester recoating has been completed. Mrs. Forsha informed the Board that the tank was recoated under warranty. She stated that the other tank coating didn't fail until a year after the warranty expired. Mrs. Forsha discussed the warranty of merchantability with Mr. Boring. Mrs. Forsha believes that the coating product does not adhere well to wet surfaces yet it was advertised to keep infiltration out of manholes. Mrs. Forsha is to get all documentation to the solicitor for review.

New Sewer Business was next discussed.

Mrs. Forsha stated she would like to start requiring dye testing and sewer lateral televising at the time of sale/refinancing. Mr. DeCario stated that it is required in Derry Township. Mrs. Forsha stated that she would like for the Borough to pass an ordinance.

On a motion by Mr. Skopp which was seconded by Mr. DeCario the Board entered executive session at 7:48 p.m. o'clock.

A motion to Adjourn was offered at 8:17 p.m. o'clock by Mr. Skopp and seconded by Mr. DeCario. All members voted to retire for the evening.

Mr. Vincent DeCario

Assistant Secretary