

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, April 18, 2018.

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

On a motion by Mr. Goodman and seconded by Mr. Thomas the minutes of the regular meeting of March 21, 2018 were presented for approval and all members voted in favor.

Visitors

John and Melissa Hughes of 421 Broad Street were in attendance to discuss the cause of their frozen service line in January. The Hughes stated that the Authority caused their line to freeze because the curb box was not 48" deep and below the frost depth. After a lengthy discussion the Board advised the Hughes that they would discuss their situation in executive session. In addition, Mark Thomas of 209 West 6th Ave stated that he hoped the Board and the Hughes Family could reach a resolution. Next, David Seevers of 98 S. Chestnut Street stated that his parking lot was damaged when trucks hauling gravel drove through his parking lot during the sewer line project on W First Ave. Mr. Seevers provided photos of his parking lot and a cost estimate to repave the lot. In addition, Mr. Seevers stated that the front bumper of a car was damaged due to a road sign which blew over. Mr. Steevers stated that he observed the trucks driving over his lot and photographed them but he did not ask the contractor Rich Santella to stop driving thru his lot. In addition, Mr. Steever did not report any damage to the contractor. In addition, Mr. Seevers believes that his drain pipe was crushed. Mrs. Forsha stated that she would speak to the contractor, Rich Santella and relay the information to him.

At 7:45p.m. o'clock Mr. Goodman made a motion to enter executive session and Mr. Chaney seconded with all voting to enter executive session.

The Board existed executive session at 8:35 p.m. o'clock.

Correspondence

Next, Mrs. Forsha presented a letter from Robert McCracken, 425 West 6th Ave who requested a credit on his sewer bill due to pressure washing his property. After discussion the Board granted him a \$73 credit. Next, Mrs. Forsha presented a letter from Mr. John Kuhns of 304 McFarland Street who also requested a credit on his sewer bill due to a broken water line which damaged his ceiling. After discussion the Board agreed to credit him 5,000 gallons on his sewer bill. Mrs. Forsha also presented a letter from Amy Miller of 309 East Second Ave who requested relief on her water bill due to a leaking hot water tank. of 328 East Fourth Street who requested relief for a high-water bill that they received caused by a leaking hot water tank. The Board agreed to give Amy Miller a 25% credit on her bill. Mrs. Forsha announced that the PMAA's 76th Annual Conference & Trade Show is September 9-12.

Water Bills for March 2018 in the amount of \$104,447.30 and Sewer Bills in the amount of \$33,994.26 were presented for payment. On a motion put forth by Mr. Goodman and seconded by Mr. Thomas, all members voted to pay the bills.

The Water Treasurer's Report showing a checking account balance on February 28, 2018 of \$63,295.80 with deposits of \$128,268.18 and less expenses of \$104,447.30 leaving a reconciled balance of \$87,116.68 for March 31, 2018 was presented by Mrs. Forsha. A motion to accept the treasurer's report was offered by Mr. Checca and seconded by Mr. Chaney. 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 February 28, 2018 of \$122,691.52 with deposits of \$58,118.89 and less expenses of \$33,994.26 leaving a reconciled balance of \$146,816.15 for March 31, 2018. Mr. Checca moved and seconded by Mr. Chaney to accept the treasurer's report 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 .021 NTU was also announced.

The Engineers Report

Mr. Gera informed that Board that the grant application for the North Chestnut Street Waterline extension was submitted to the DEP and the project will proceed if funds are allocated. Mr. Gera also stated that the Water Treatment Electrical Upgrade project is waiting for DEP approval of the construction permit.

The Solicitor's Report

Mr. Dalfonso stated that he didn't have any business to report on.

Water Old Business

Mrs. Forsha announced that the PLIGIT accounts are now open and ready for investment.

Water Department New Business

Mrs. Forsha informed the Board that a Ludlow hydrant at the corner of High and E. Second Street was replaced. In addition, Mrs. Forsha stated that the annual flushing program is near completion. Mrs. Forsha also announced that a lead service line was removed at 319 West Third Ave. Next, on a motion by Mr. Thomas and seconded by Mr. Goodman the Board all voted in favor of the revised water purchase contract for XPR Resources. Mrs. Forsha informed the Board that she is getting estimates to replace 674 feet of 50-year-old water line along East Owens Ave since the Borough will be upgrading the road.

Sewer Department Old Business

Mrs. Forsha informed the Board that two homes on Broad Street were found to have their sanitary sewer laterals in the storm system and were corrected by the Authority this month. Mr. Checca asked if it was true that the Authority dug at the wrong house by accident and then dug at the correct house. Mrs. Forsha informed him that was incorrect and both homes needed their sewer laterals corrected. Mrs. Forsha announced that Richard Santella had completed the 100 ft of 12" Terracotta sewer line replacement along West First Ave. Next, Mr. Checca commented that the street crew at the Borough garage was not notified of the sewer project and their entire garage was shut down during construction and stated that the Borough crews couldn't get all of their vehicles out of the garage. Mrs. Forsha asked why the street department didn't ask the contractor to move out of their way so they could move vehicles. Mr. Checca stated that no communication was given to the street department. In addition, Mr. Checca stated that the access to the Borough salt pile was also blocked during construction. Mr. Checca also noted that there was a lot of mud and gravel that washed into the catch basins during the sewer project. In addition, Mr. Checca gave Manager Mrs. Forsha a list of catch basins which are in disrepair. He asked the manager if it is true that she stated that there were no funds to repair catch basins to the Borough foreman. Mrs. Forsha stated that was correct and she had a revenue stream for water lines and sanitary sewers but not storm sewers. Mrs. Forsha stated that she would not want her water or sanitary sewer payments going toward things such as catch basin maintenance and Borough road improvements. Next, Mr. Checca and Mr. Chaney stated that they believe the Authority should maintain the storm sewers since they were transferred to the Authority in 2010. Mrs. Forsha stated that there is no revenue stream to do so. Mrs. Forsha also stated that she does as she is directed to do by her Board of Directors. Mr. Thomas mentioned that the Borough is the MS4 Permittee. Mr. Checca and Mr. Chaney want to have a meeting and see if the MS4 permit can be transferred to the Authority. There was again a discussion as to who should charge a stormwater fee. The Board agreed that another meeting should take place to discuss stormwater maintenance. The Board also discussed replacing 375 ft of 8-inch sewer line on East Owens Ave prior to the Borough improving the street. Mrs. Forsha informed the Board that she was seeking quotes.

On a motion by Mr. Checca, seconded by Mr. Chaney all members voted to retire for the evening at 9:40 p.m. o'clock.

*Mr. Fredrick D. Goodman.
Secretary*