

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 15, 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. Richard K. Thomas, Treasurer, and Mr. Daniel D. Chaney Sr., Assistant Secretary/Treasurer. Mr. Fredrick D. Goodman, Secretary and Engineer Mark Gera were absent. Also, in attendance were Authority Manager, Amy and Solicitor Samuel Dalfonso Esq., of Dodaro, Matta, and Cambest.

On a motion by Mr. Chaney and seconded by Mr. Thomas the minutes of the regular meeting of July 18, 2018 were presented for approval and all members voted in favor.

Visitors

Nick Cammuso, reporter with the Latrobe Bulletin was in attendance.

Correspondence

Mrs. Forsha presented a letter from Robert Martin, of 304 Hickory Ave who requested relief due to a high-water bill. After discussion the Board agreed to credit Ms. Martin 50% on the leak and grant her a payment plan if needed. Next, Mrs. Forsha read a request for donation to the Derry Borough Community Pool sent by Chad Fabian of Borough Council. On a motion, by Mr. Thomas, seconded by Mr. Quinlisk all members moved to donate \$1,000 worth of water to the Derry Community Pool for the 2018 operating season.

Water Bills for July 2018 in the amount of \$122,356.93 and Sewer Bills in the amount of \$45,824.92 were presented for payment. On a motion put forth by Mr. Checca and seconded by Mr. Chaney, all members voted to pay the bills.

The Water Treasurer's Report showing a checking account balance on June 30, 2018 of \$69,237.49 with deposits of \$117,393.44 and less expenses of \$122,356.93 leaving a reconciled balance of \$64,274.00 for July 31, 2018 was presented by Mrs. Forsha. A motion to accept the treasurer's report was offered by Mr. Thomas 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 June 30, 2018 of \$86,121.48 with deposits of \$62,074.76 and less expenses of \$45,824.92 leaving a reconciled balance of \$102,371.32 for July 31, 2018. Mr. Thomas 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 .020 NTU was also announced. Mrs. Forsha also mentioned that the pumphouse has only been running 14 hours a day to save costs. Mrs. Forsha informed the Board that the bypass was successfully installed around the Lower Ridge Dam and now the Upper Ridge

Dam is flowing directly into the Raw Water Line. Mrs. Forsha stated that she has requested a quote to slip line, 1500 ft of the raw water line from Insight Pipe.

The Engineers Report

Mrs. Forsha presented each Board member with a copy of the Engineer's monthly report. The engineer was unable to attend tonight's meeting. Mrs. Forsha stated that she is waiting for DEP's approval of the repair plans for the Lower Ridge Dam. She stated that Insight pipe is going to televise the drain line and begin to manufacture the liner. She also stated that Rich Santella is working with Ligonier Construction to dredge the dam and that Ligonier Construction will be installing the upstream closure valves once DEP approval is received and parts are ordered. Mrs. Forsha stated that she is working with Representative Petrarca's office to find grant money for some of the above projects as well as for the sludge press. Mrs. Forsha also informed the Board that she sent a response email to Traveler's Insurance regarding the denial of the damage that happened to the drain line during drilling. Mrs. Forsha stated that she has not yet received another response from the insurance company.

The Solicitor's Report

Mr. Dalfonso stated the claims deadline for 504 Braden Ave passed in 2016. Mr. Dalfonso also stated that he has a draft copy of an intermunicipal agreement with Derry Township but forgot to bring it to the meeting.

Water Old Business

Mrs. Forsha informed the Board that the Authority employees are going to install the waterline along E. Owens Ave, which involves replacing 674 feet of 6" CLCI 50-year-old pipe. Mrs. Forsha informed the Board that she is currently waiting for the electric company to complete utility relocations before they can begin the water and sewer line replacements. Mrs. Forsha informed the Board that she plans to have the Authority crew begin replacing 160 ft of 2.5" cast iron line on Heacox Way with 6" PVC. Mrs. Forsha stated that the line has had several breaks and she would like to replace the section in pavement before the paving project is done this year. In addition to the waterline on Heacox Way the storm line will also need repaired and may also be replaced due to it's proximity to the new water line location.

Water Department New Business

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Sewer Department Old Business

Next, Mr. Checca made a motion to Pass Resolution No 188 with two minor corrections, and Mr. Chaney seconded with all members voting in favor. Resolution No. 188 amends the Authority's Articles of Incorporation and grants the Authority the power to regulate, control, and maintain the storm sewer system, and appurtenances thereto, of the Borough of Derry and grants to power to enact a storm water fee to provide funding for the maintenance and capital improvements of said system.

Next, Mrs. Forsha again brought up the proposed new sewer rules and regulations. Mrs. Forsha stated that they were discussed years ago but she does not believe the new sewer rules and regulations were ever adopted. Mr. Thomas stated that the new sewer rules and regulations were previously discussed but he felt that they were overly burdensome and could be condensed. Mrs. Forsha stated that they were very thorough and cover all aspects of the sewer department. The Board agreed to review the sewer rules and regulations and discuss them at the next meeting.

Sewer Department New Business

Mrs. Forsha informed the Board that she had 1,609 feet of 8" sewer line on West Third Street and Brayden Ave televised. Mrs. Forsha said that no sewer wye was installed for the vacant piece of property that Valeri Braden purchased from Ruth Richardson. Mrs. Forsha stated that a hole in the sewer along Braden Ave will be scheduled for repairs. Mrs. Forsha also stated that she sat in on a MS4 DEP Inspection on August 15, 2018. Mr. Checca asked why the Authority was not listed on the new MS4 permit. Mrs. Forsha stated that the Authority requested to be added as copermittees years ago but were never formally added or issued any permits. Mr. Quinlisk stated that the Authority requested to not be on the new MS4 permit out of concerns for liability. Mr. Checca would like the Authority added onto the MS4 permit since the Authority owns the storm sewers.

On a motion by Mr. Chaney, seconded by Mr. Thomas all members voted to retire for the evening at 7:45 p.m. o'clock.

*Mr. Daniel A. Chaney,
Assistant Secretary*