

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, February 20, 2019.

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

On a motion by Mr. Goodman and seconded by Mr. Chaney the minutes of the regular meeting of January 16, 2019 were presented for approval and all members voted in favor.

Visitors

Greg Reinbold, reporter with the Latrobe Bulletin was present.

Correspondence

Mrs. Forsha presented a request from Derry Aqua Club seeking a donation for the upcoming Winter Championship Fundraiser. After discussion the Board decided not to donate to the Aqua Club and stated that their past practice has been to only donate to the Derry Borough Fire Department. Next, Mrs. Forsha presented a donation request from the Derry Borough Fire Department and Mr. Chaney made a motion to donate \$200 and Mr. Thomas seconded with all members voting in favor. Mrs. Forsha also presented a letter from Mr. and Mrs. Schropp, of 126 Peanut Street who requested relief on their water bill due to a toilet leak. On a motion by Mr. Goodman, and seconded by Mr. Nicely the Board all agreed to grant the Schropp's a credit in the amount of 1/3 of their water bill.

Water Bills for January 2019 in the amount of \$194,211.01 and Sewer Bills in the amount of \$46,584.10 were presented for payment. On a motion put forth by Mr. Chaney and seconded by Mr. Goodman, all members voted to pay the bills

The Water Treasurer's Report showing a checking account balance on December 31, 2018 of \$74,530.28 with deposits of \$153,907.20 and less expenses of \$194,211.01 leaving a reconciled balance of \$34,226.47 for January 31, 2019 was presented by Mrs. Forsha. A motion to accept the treasurer's report was offered by Mr. Thomas 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 December 31, 2018 of \$47,860.66 with deposits of \$71,748.84 and less expenses of \$46,584.10 leaving a reconciled balance of \$73,025.40 for January 31, 2019. Mr. Thomas moved and seconded by Mr. Goodman 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 .019 NTU was also announced.

The Engineers Report

Mr. Gera stated that a notice to proceed was issued to Bob Biter Electrical on January 18, 201 for the Water Treatment Plant Electrical Upgrade. Mr. Gera stated that his office is waiting on shop drawings for the upgrade. Mr. Gera informed the Board that a meeting was held between Biter Electric and the Authority to go over the project details. Mr. Gera said that the submittals for the new VFD and switchgear have been approved. Next, Mr. Gera informed the Board that the North Chestnut Street Waterline Replacement project was advertised February 15th with a March 15th bid opening date.

The Solicitor's Report

Mr. Dalfonso informed the Board that has submitted the revised Articles of Incorporation to the Department of State.

Water Old Business

Mrs. Forsha informed the Board that Rennie and Associates completed the 2018 Audit and stated that she emailed a copy of the audit to all of the Board members. Next, Mrs. Forsha presented the Board with a copy of the 2018 Water Annual Report with Budget for 2019. Mrs. Forsha stated that last year the Board was able to fund depreciation and had a surplus of \$126,331 on the water side. Mr. Thomas made a motion to accept the Water Annual Report/Budget and Mr. Chaney seconded with all members voting in favor.

Sewer Old Business

Next, Mrs. Forsha presented the Board with a copy of the 2018 Sewer Annual Report with Budget for 2019. Mrs. Forsha stated that last year the Authority was able to fund depreciation on the sewer side and had an operating surplus of \$35,314.00. The projected 2019 budget does not fund depreciation. Mr. Thomas made a motion to accept the Sewer Annual Report/Budget and Mr. Chaney seconded with all members voting in favor.

Water New Business

Mrs. Forsha also mentioned that the Derry Township Supervisors is looking into surveying the residents along Peach Hollow Road to see if they would qualify for CDBG money to extend water service. Mrs. Forsha also informed the Board that she sent out letters to residents on S. Ruby Street asking if they would be interested in joining Darryl O'Reilly in extending water service. Mrs. Forsha mentioned that there are about 20 homes along Bank Street and S. Ruby that do not currently have public water service. Mrs. Forsha is to get the number of homes and sizes of the lines to Mr. Gera so that he can provide a project estimate to Derry Township Supervisors.

Mr. Chaney made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:45pm o'clock and Mr. Goodman seconded with all members voting in favor.

*Mr. Richard K. Thomas
Secretary*