

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 17, 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, Mr. Fredrick D. Goodman, Secretary and Mr. Daniel D. Chaney Sr., Assistant Secretary/Treasurer. Also, in attendance were Authority Manager, Amy Forsha, Solicitor Samuel Dalfonso Esq., of Dodaro, Matta, and Cambest and William Glasser of Gibson-Thomas Engineering, Inc.

On a motion by Mr. Goodman and seconded by Mr. Thomas the minutes of the regular meeting of September 19, 2018 were presented for approval and all members voted in favor.

Visitors

Barbara Phillips of 241 W Owens Ave came to discuss the basement flooding issues on Owens Ave. Mrs. Phillips stated that she has installed a backflow preventer and that she is still having issues with water run-off. Mrs. Philipps stated that she sent a video of the flooding during the last storm to manager Forsha. Jeremy Stein of 401 Leo Street was also in attendance and also mentioned that he installed a backflow preventer. Dan Wynn of 249 West Owens Ave and Kirk Shaffer of 259 West Owens Ave were also in attendance out of concern for the flooding issues on West Owens Ave. Mrs. Forsha informed the residents that she has been busy inspecting both the sanitary and storm lines in the area of the flooding. Mrs. Forsha stated that after she received videos showing the catch basins surcharging she looked at the storm line at the intersection of Leo Street and Wineman Way and noticed that the 18" storm pipe was reduced in size to 15" during the SR 217 Bridge Replacement Project. Mrs. Forsha stated that she has notified Penn Dot and that Penn Dot will be out to measure pipes tomorrow. Mrs. Forsha stated that during the television of the sanitary sewer lines a lot of infiltration from the old terracotta laterals was observed. Mrs. Forsha also informed the Owens Ave residents that smoke testing has began in their area and those whom have stormwater connections into the sanitary sewer, such as downspouts, sump pumps, and outside drains, will be receiving a 30-day notice to correct violations. Next, Mr. Kirk Shaffer of 259 West Owens Ave suggested installing curbing in certain areas to control the stormwater runoff. The Board directed Mr. Shaffer to discuss curbing with the Borough officials. Mr. Wynn asked if Mrs. Forsha discovered a lot of downspouts and other stormwater sources connected to the sanitary. Mrs. Forsha said that some downspouts were found to still be connected and letters were sent to the owners. Mrs. Forsha said that she also did notice a lot of water coming in from terracotta laterals that are acting as yard drains.

Correspondence

Mrs. Forsha again presented a letter from Dale McDowell, of 311 McDowell Road who requested relief for a water leak. The Board previously granted Mr. McDowell a 25% on the leak and a year payment plan. After discussion the Board decided that they cannot grant Mr. McDowell any further concessions.

Next, Mrs. Forsha presented the PA Small Water and Sewer Program Grant agreement paperwork to the Board for signature. The Grant is in the amount of \$278,000.34 and will be used to replace a 100 year old water line along N Chestnut Street between Bells Way and Subway.

Next, Mrs. Forsha presented a letter from Jim Ritenour of 314 South Chestnut Street who requested relief for a high-water bill. Mr. Ritenour received a bill for \$450.00 for 34,000 gallons of water in a 3-month period. Mr. Ritenour stated that he did not have any leaks and did not use that much water. Mr. Ritenour mentioned that his outside reader and inside reader did not have matching readings. After discussion the Board decided that meters only begin to run slowly and there is no possible way for the outside reader to register water that was not used. The Board voted and 3 members voted no on a credit and two members abstained. Mr. Checca and Mr. Chaney abstained from the discussion because they are members with Mr. Ritenour of Derry Borough Council. The Board offered Mr. Ritenour a payment plan on the high bill.

Mrs. Forsha also read a letter from Michael Schall of 403 Leo Street who requested an update on the investigation Owens Ave area sewage backup investigation.

Water Bills for September 2018 in the amount of \$117,220.20 and Sewer Bills in the amount of \$44,533.53 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 August 31, 2018 of \$86,220.08 with deposits of \$115,514.95 and less expenses of \$117,220.20 leaving a reconciled balance of \$84,514.83 for September 30, 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 August 31, 2018 of \$132,776.48 with deposits of \$155.30 and less expenses of \$44,533.53 leaving a reconciled balance of \$88,398.25 for September 30, 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 .023 NTU was also announced. Mrs. Forsha also informed the Board that she received transportation invoices from Mutual Aid Ambulance Service for transportation services for residents who were evacuated during the Lower Ridge Dam Evacuation last month. Mrs. Forsha stated that only two of the invoices were for people within the evacuation zone. Mrs. Forsha stated that the other three invoices were for people who were not within the evacuation zone. Mr. Dalfonso is looking into the liability of the Authority in regards to paying these invoices. During the evacuation only 29 homes were to be evacuated but the

people were being evacuated from traffic control point to traffic control point. Also, many people who were not even near the evacuation zone were being told to evacuate.

Mrs. Forsha stated that she does not have all the figures in yet for the sewer report this month.

The Engineers Report

Mr. Glasser informed the Board that the DEP Division of Dam Safety issued the emergency repair permit on September 21, 2018.

The Solicitor's Report

Mr. Dalfonso stated that he reviewed the Developer's Agreement prepared by Mrs. Forsha for Derry Stone and Lime Co. for the Ankney Road Water Line project and that the agreement was well written.

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 the Authority can begin the water and sewer line replacements. Mrs. Forsha stated that the Authority will likely wait until Spring to proceed with the water/sewer relocations because we were anticipating on piggy backing on the Borough's restoration. Now that the project is delayed the Authority does not want the extra cost of performing restoration after the line replacements.

Mrs. Forsha informed the Board that she received an install date for the slip liner of the Lower Ridge Dam drain line for October 29, 2018. Mrs. Forsha is requesting that Insight Pipe change the installation date to November 1, 2018. Next, Mrs. Forsha presented a quote from Ligonier Construction to install the upstream closures on the Lower Ridge Dam drain and intake lines. Mr. Thomas accepted the quote from Ligonier Construction in the amount of \$79,000 and Mr. Checca seconded with all members voting in favor.

Mrs. Forsha stated that she hasn't received a paving date yet for the annual paving project.

Water Department New Business.

Next, Mr. Thomas made a motion to accept the low bidders of the chemicals and Mr. Chaney seconded with all members voting in favor.

Sewer Department Old Business

Mrs. Forsha stated that she will be forwarding a revised sewer lateral inspection and dye test ordinance to the Borough.

Sewer Department New Business

Mrs. Forsha informed the Board that a storm manhole was added at 221 S. Chestnut Street due to a line size change at the point. Mrs. Forsha also informed the Board that a sanitary sewer spot repair was done at 201 West Sixth Avenue. Next, Mrs. Forsha stated

that there is an abandoned house at 411 North Chestnut Street that has a lateral draining the yard. Mrs. Forsha recommended that we dig up the sewer lateral and cap the connection due to the infiltration.

On a motion by Mr. Chaney, seconded by Mr. Goodman all members voted to retire for the evening at 8:15 p.m. o'clock.

*Mr. Fredrick Goodman,
Secretary*