

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 16, 2017.

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 o'clock, p.m. with the following members answering the Roll Call: Mr. Richard K. Thomas, Chairman; Mr. Kevin M. Quinlisk, Vice Chairman; Mr. Thomas E. Sylvester, Secretary and Mr. Fred Goodman, Assistant Secretary/Treasurer. Mr. Peter A. Checca, Treasurer, and was absent from tonight's meeting. Also in attendance were Authority Manager, Amy Forsha and Engineer, William Glasser of Gibson-Thomas Engineering and Solicitor Nathaniel Boring Esq., of Dodaro, Matta, and Cambest.

On a motion by Mr. Quinlisk and seconded by Mr. Goodman the minutes of the regular meeting of July 19, 2017 were presented for approval and Mr. Thomas voted in favor and Mr. Sylvester abstained since he was not present at July's meeting.

Visitors

Kathy Businski of Hunter Road asked if the monthly minimum was 3,000 gallons/month or 9,000 gallons/quarter. Mr. Thomas said that there is a 3,000 gallon/month minimum if you are on monthly billing, and if you are on quarterly billing it is a minimum of 9,000 gallons/quarter. Mr. Thomas explained to Mrs. Businski that it is all in how the billing system is configured.

Correspondence

Mrs. Forsha read a letter from Mrs. Laura Bridge of 598 Pandora Road in which she requested relief for high water bill caused by a leak in her hot water tank. After discussion, the Board granted Mrs. Bridge a 50% credit on the leak. In addition, Mrs. Bridge requested reimbursement in the \$1,214.10 for a hot water tank and a dishwasher which she said broke due to a water surge when the water was turned back on. After discussion, the Board determined that they have immunity and they aren't responsible for appliances caused by water pressure changes. In addition, the Board did not feel that a water surge would have been caused when the water was turned back on.

Water Bills for July 2017 in the amount of \$89,109.22 and Sewer Bills in the amount of \$36,382.48 were presented for payment. On a motion put forth by Mr. Sylvester and seconded by Mr. Quinlisk, all members voted to pay the bills.

The Water Treasurer's Report showing a checking account balance on June 30, 2017 of \$70,121.21 with deposits of \$113,226.10 and less expenses of \$89,109.22 leaving a reconciled balance of \$94,238.09 for July 31, 2017 was presented by Mrs. Forsha. A motion to accept the treasurer's report was offered by Mr. Sylvester and seconded by Mr. Quinlisk. 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, 2017 of \$49,526.63 with deposits of \$118,252.52 and less expenses of \$36,382.48 leaving a reconciled balance of \$131,396.67 for July 31, 2017. Mr. Sylvester moved and seconded by Mr. Quinlisk 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 .017 NTU was also announced.

The Engineers Report

Mr. Glasser stated that Gibson-Thomas has received another estimate on doing the stability analysis at the upper lower and ridge dams and the estimated cost is \$33,000 from Geomechanics. The previous quote from Ackenheil Engineers was about \$190,000. Mr. Gera stated that the cost savings are from the fact that Geomechanics does the drilling in house and they only estimated 200 hours on the report while Ackenheil estimated 1,000 hours of labor on the report. After discussion, the Board decided to table to stability analysis until they get the final costs for the Ethel Lake Hydraulic and Hydrologic Report which is underway. Mr. Glasser also stated that the electric upgrade contract is in the design stages and a meeting was held last week with Authority employees to discuss the scope of the project.

The Solicitor's Report

Mr. Boring present the manager with a manager's agreement for signature. The manager signed and accepted the agreement. Next, Mrs. Forsha informed the Board that Derry Council approved intermunicipal stormwater agreement. After discussion, the Board decided to wait for the Borough to present them with the approved agreement.

Water Old Business

Mrs. Forsha stated that the Pandora Road Water line extension is nearing completion. In addition, the Ash Lane water line replacement is also nearing completion.

Water Department New Business

Next, Mrs. Forsha informed the Board that an Easy Valve was installed at the intersection of Hannastown Road and West Third Ave at a cost of \$5,200.00. Mrs. Forsha said that the Easy Valve is used to prevent water shut off to 1/4 of the town. Mrs. Forsha also stated that she has received a request from Mr. McNicol of Pandora Road to install at hydrant. Mrs. Forsha said she forwarded the request to Vince DeCario, the township supervisor. Mrs. Forsha stated that Mr. DeCario is going to see if any DCED grant money is left that could be used to install a hydrant and 65 ft of line to connect the two blow offs on Pandora Road. Mrs. Forsha also announced that the PMAA Conference is in Hershey on September 10-13th.

Sewer Department Old Business

Mrs. Forsha stated that 100 ft of 12" terracotta line on West First Ave near the Borough Garage was televised last week and is in definite need of replacement. Mrs. Forsha stated that the project was put on hold while it was discussed with Penn DOT. Originally a manhole was shown on Penn DOT's construction plans in the vicinity of the Borough garage. However, the manhole was closer to the bank and Penn DOT wouldn't pay to replace the extra 100 ft of sewer line and instead installed a new manhole near the

Borough garage. Mr. Gera stated last meeting that he would like to discuss the project with Joe Yarchak, Gibson-Thomas inspector before the Authority hires Santella to complete the project. Mrs. Forsha also stated that she is also looking at replacing a 400-ft. section of sewer line on East Second Street to reduce infiltration caused by a number of abandoned taps on the sewer line. Mrs. Forsha is waiting for an estimated cost of slip lining the pipe from Mr. Gera.

Sewer Department New Business

Mrs. Forsha mentioned that various sections of storm and sanitary sewer lines were televised last week to aid in the mapping of the storm water system.

On a motion by Mr. Quinlisk and seconded by Mr. Goodman the Board entered executive session at 7:56 p.m to discuss personnel matters. The Board exited executive session at 8:23 p.m.

On a motion put forward by Mr. Sylvester and seconded by Mr. Quinlisk all members voted to adjourn at 8:24p.m. o'clock.

*Mr. Thomas E. Sylvester
Secretary*