

ANTRIM TOWNSHIP MUNICIPAL AUTHORITY
REGULAR MEETING OF DECEMBER 28, 2009

The Antrim Township Municipal Authority met Monday, December 28, 2009, at 7 p.m., in the Antrim Township Municipal Building with the following members in attendance: Elwood Myers, Roy Baum, Bob Schemmerling, Rodney Eberly and Bob Coladonato. Also attending were Shawn Meyers, Solicitor; Brad Graham, Township Administrator; and David Brinjac, of Brinjac Engineering. Audience members included Paul Schemmel.

Chairman Myers called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

On a Schemmerling/Coladonato motion, passed 4-0 (Baum abstained as he was not in attendance), the regular meeting minutes of November 23, 2009 were approved.

On a Schemmerling/Eberly motion, passed 5-0, the Treasurer's Report for Water along with the payment of bills was approved.

There were no bills for payment from the Repair and Improvement Account.

On a Schemmerling/Eberly motion, passed 5-0, the following plans were recognized as having on-lot septic systems:

Alan and Debra Oberholzer, 3-lot Subdivision, East Weaver Road; and

George Clopper, 1-lot Subdivision, Leitersburg Road.

Paul Schemmel, representing Washington Farms Inc., stated that his client owns the sewer interceptor line and wanted to know who would be responsible for contacting developers of the Preserve at Greencastle to let them know about connecting to the interceptor line. Solicitor Meyers advised the Municipal Authority to allow their new solicitor to make those decisions with them as this issue needs more planning and work, with Schemmerling adding that until the plans came across our desks, we will not make decisions, and, at this time, the issue doesn't affect the ATMA at all. Schemmel stated that he would be happy to work with the ATMA's new solicitor and added that Washington Farms Inc. wants to maintain ownership of the interceptor line and understands that any maintenance of the line is up to them.

Dave Brinjac reported that the first auction for nutrient credits will be held in February by DEP adding that at this time the ATMA has credits as the sewer treatment plant is not at capacity.

Administrator Graham reported that he would check to see if a letter from the Township's insurance carrier had been received concerning insuring of the sewer lines and would forward such letter to bond counsel.

Graham reported that work at the Izer property would begin as soon as the ground is frozen.

Graham reported that Requests for Proposals had been received from engineers and solicitors and suggested that John Lisko, Antrim Township Board of Supervisors Solicitor, act as interim solicitor for a short period of time for the ATMA and that Brinjac Engineering continue as the ATMA's engineer while interviews are conducted. Authority members decided to interview two solicitors and three engineering firms, prior to the next meeting with all members of the Authority in attendance. This meeting would have to be advertised as a public meeting. Graham was instructed to set up interview times and dates, hopefully all on the same date.

On a Coladonato/Schemmerling motion, passed 5-0, Graham was asked to notify the Antrim Township

Board of Supervisors that Lisko would be serving as interim solicitor for the Municipal Authority until such time a new one can be appointed.

On a Coladonato/Baum motion, passed 5-0, Graham was asked to notify the Antrim Township Board of Supervisors that Brinjac Engineering would continue to serve as the Township's sanitary sewer and water engineer until interviews can be completed.

On a Schemmerling/Coladonato motion, passed 5-0, the fee for construction maintenance and inspection services contract was approved at \$5,200.00, down from the previous \$6,800.00 submitted for lift station 15 replacement.

It was noted that lift station 16 has been completed.

On a Coladonato/Baum motion, passed 5-0, the fee for construction maintenance and inspection services contract for lift station 4 was approved at \$3,500.00, down from the previous \$6,300.00 submitted.

Graham reported that operations at the wastewater treatment plant were normal and that the annual inspection of the sewer plant was completed by Brinjac Engineering with some maintenance issues brought to Graham's attention. Brinjac said that the lift stations would be inspected after the first of the year.

Graham gave an update on the lift station 4 project.

On a Schemmerling/Eberly motion, passed 5-0, four stubs, four Y's and four pieces of pipe will be provided to the right of way lines in the lift station #4 project so that three properties required to connect to public sewer following the completion of this project, can be made. Mike and Kelly Peters, who are connected to sewer, may choose where they want the stub installed to eliminate the grinder pump that is being used at their residence. Peters will have to pay an inspection fee after lines are connected to the stub. The three other property owners, who are not connected to sewer at this time, will be required to pay a sewer tap fee and connect.

Brinjac reviewed the Act 57 calculations, presenting allowable fees for sewer and water taps noting that sewer and water tap fees were increased while the repair and improvement charge was decreased.

On a Schemmerling/Coladonato motion, passed 5-0, the water tap fees will be \$1,231.00 effective January 1, 2010; the repair and improvement charge will be \$2,068.00, effective January 1, 2010; and the sewer tap fee will be \$4,854.00 effective January 1, 2010.

Graham reported that the water treatment plant operator noted improvements to the pressure issues for residents in the Cedarbrook development and will forward a report to the Home Owner's Association. He also reported that operations at the water treatment plant and system continue normally.

On a Coladonato/Schemmerling motion, passed 5-0, a 5.6% increase in water user rates was included to adopt the 2010 water fund budget. The increase is equal to \$48.22/quarter + \$6.94 /1000 gallons.

On a Schemmerling/Coladonato motion, passed 5-0, the 2010 repair and improvement fund budget and the 2010 project fund budget were adopted.

Brinjac reported that a meeting is being scheduled in the very near future with Steve Zeller of Brinjac; John Wardzinski of Mountain View Reclamation; and Administrator Graham, concerning the leachate issue.

Schemmerling, as well as all Authority members, thanked Solicitor Myers for his hard work over the past years and wished him well while serving as a Judge for Franklin County.

On a Schemmerling/Baum motion, passed 5-0, the meeting adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

The next meeting, January 25, 2010, will be a reorganization meeting at 7:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Joyce A. Nowell

Recording Secretary