

ANTRIM TOWNSHIP MUNICIPAL AUTHORITY

REGULAR MEETING OF MAY 19, 2008

The Antrim Township Municipal Authority met Monday, May 19, 2008, at 7 p.m., in the Antrim Township Municipal Building with the following members in attendance: Roy Baum, Elwood Myers, Robert Schemmerling and Rodney Eberly. B.J. Roberts Jr. was absent from the meeting. Also attending were Shawn Meyers, Solicitor; Charles Goetz Jr., Director of Public Utilities; Larson Wenger, Utilities Superintendent; Dave Brinjac of Brinjac Engineering; Eileen Strausner, Financial Secretary; and Renee Perrin, Secretary/Treasurer.

Audience members included Jeff Lilja.

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

On a Schemmerling/Eberly motion, passed 4-0, the meeting minutes of April 28, 2008 were approved with the following corrections: Page 1, paragraph 5, Schemmerling announced that he was taping the meeting and stated that the press was in attendance. Page 2, paragraph 5, last line - ...water connection and whether or not to put the cost on the developer. Page 2, paragraph 6, Schemmerling asked to be notified when this would take place so that he could observe the operation. (Roberts was absent from the meeting.)

On a Schemmerling/Baum motion, passed 4-0, the Treasurer's Report for Water was approved along with the payment of bills. (Roberts was absent from the meeting.)

Craig Witmer and Kevin Stouffer of Smith Elliott Kearns & Co. LLC, were present to review the Antrim Township Municipal Authority annual financial report for the year ended December 31, 2007. Witmer and Stouffer gave a brief overview of the report. Witmer stated that it was an overall clean audit and clean management letter and the firm offered an unqualified opinion, which according to Witmer is the best you can get.

Antrim Township Board of Supervisors members were not in attendance at this meeting as they were listed on the Agenda.

On a Schemmerling/Baum motion, passed 4-0, **Merle and Ethel Horst, Land Development, Hollowell Church Road**, was recommended for restamp. (Roberts was absent from the meeting). Solicitor Meyers suggested that restamp plans would not have to come before the Authority if it does not entail any changes that would involve the Authority and that the Chairman be authorized to restamp these plans.

On a Schemmerling/Myers motion, passed 4-0, **Stuart and Deborah Pugh, 1-lot Subdivision, Ridge Road**, was approved. (Roberts was absent from the meeting)

On an Eberly/Baum motion, passed 4-0., **Matrix Antrim Partners, Land Development, Molly Pitcher Highway**, was approved. (Roberts was absent from the meeting.)

On a Schemmerling/Baum motion, passed 4-0, the **Deed of Dedication** and abandonment of a now defunct sanitary sewer easement in **Paradise Estates**, originally serving the Keener development, was approved and signed. (Roberts was absent from the meeting.)

Larson Wenger, Utilities Superintendent, reported that Infratech is finished with their contract at lift station #3 on Grindstone Hill Road where they were slip lining. Schemmerling asked to see a "before

and after” video, if provided by the contractor.

Wenger reported that repairs to lift station #11 should be finished by Thursday and the pumps would be transferred to the new control panel. Wenger told those present that plans are to video lines right below the stream crossings at lift station #11 and Schemmerling reiterated that he would like to be notified when this takes place.

Wenger told those present that the wastewater treatment plant is running “okay” other than the color. Leachate affects the effectiveness of the UV (ultraviolet light) system. Wenger is in contact with landfill representatives and they are aware of the problem and they are attempting to fix the situation. Wenger said that the wastewater treatment plant will probably be in violation for the month of May due to this problem.

Wenger said that bids for the sludge pit should be opened June 10.

Shawn Meyers, Solicitor, reported that he has been in contact with Peters Township concerning an agreement for Mike Grove, an Antrim Township property owner, to connect to Peters Township sewer system. At this time, Peters Township is doing an upgrade to their system and there will be no new connections at this time.

On a Schemmerling/Baum motion, passed 4-0, Allegheny Power will be permitted to run electric lines in an ATMA easement to get power to Green Grove Gardens, land development, Buchanan Trail East, following the signing of an easement agreement, to be prepared by the ATMA solicitor, that will include documentation that the ATMA has priority in servicing of sewer lines; electric lines must be encased in concrete; and the electrical lines must be shown on the as-builts submitted, as well as other technical language to be included in the agreement. (Roberts did not attend this meeting.)

David Brinjac reported that the Municipal Authority would have to know by the end of summer whether to accept Penn Vest funding for the proposed water treatment plant expansion. Goetz reported that the ATMA was awarded a Growing Greener Grant and that he had just found out that there is a 25% local share requirement. Schemmerling requested a financial analysis to show what the Authority can afford to borrow and how it would affect user rates.

In discussing Penn Vest funding and the Growing Greener grant Goetz reminded Authority members that a decision whether or not to provide water to Antrim Commons Business Park would be required to determine what the scope and cost of an water treatment plant expansion would entail.

After much discussion, a Schemmerling/Eberly motion passed 4-0 to conditionally accept Antrim Commons as our water service area as long as an easement/right of way strip across other lands for water lines is obtained by the owner and agreements are in place for other lands to connect to Municipal Authority lines; and recommendations/analysis submitted by Brinjac Engineering will be included in the main line extension agreement. (Roberts was absent from the meeting.)

Goetz provided information regarding a push for a bill in the State Capitol to require water systems with at least 500 connections to have the recommended level of fluoride added.

Brinjac advised that a DEP permit issued in Antrim Township's name for Rochester Place, a proposed subdivision, will expire October 12, 2008. Development has not begun under this permit and Brinjac suggested that the permit be renewed, instead of letting it lapse and having to go through the process of re-applying. Authority members were in agreement.

Chairman Myers left at this time. Vice-chairman Baum presided.

Brinjac reported that the Act 537 plan will be ready by the end of June.

On an Eberly/Schemmerling motion, passed 3-0, the meeting adjourned at 9:55 p.m.

The next meeting of the Antrim Township Municipal Authority will be Monday, June 30 at 7:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Joyce A. Nowell

Recording Secretary