

ANTRIM TOWNSHIP MUNICIPAL AUTHORITY
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES FOR
September 25, 2023

The Antrim Township Municipal Authority met Monday, September 25, 2023 at 7:00 pm in the Antrim Township Municipal Building located at 10655 Antrim Church Road with the following members in attendance: Michael Smith, Chairman, Rodney Rose, Chad Murray, and Tim Kershner. Also in attendance were Roger Nowell, Public Works Director Linus Fenicle, Solicitor and Crystal Mummert, Recording Secretary. Rodney Eberly was absent.

Chairman Smith called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and announced that the meeting was being audio recorded.

Chairman Smith called for a motion to add agenda items 9.D.10 Payment to R&I fund 99, Springfield Towe and 10.D.1.a.c Payment to Shook Estate per Agreement. **A Murray / Kershner motion passed 4-0.**

Under public comment, Roger Nowell introduced Chris Ardinger to the ATMA Board as the Township Administrator.

A Murray/Rose motion passed 4-0 to approve the minutes of the August 28, 2023 meeting as written.

A Murray/Rose motion passed 4-0 to approve payment of bills as presented for Funds 06, 97, 98 and 99 and checks were signed.

There were no visitors

A Murray/Rose motion passed 4-0 to table all items listed in Agenda items 6 & 7 which included the following plans:

SEWER

- A. Century Industrial Development, Molly Pitcher Hwy**
- B. Heritage Estates West – Phases 2 & 3, 111 Lot Subdivision, Delanie Dr**
- C. Greencastle (Buchanan) DGS, Land Development, Buchanan Trail West**
- D. ACBP Lot 7R Grading Plan, Land Development, Molly Pitcher Hwy**
- E. ACBP Conservancy Lane, Land Development, Molly Pitcher Hwy**
- F. ACBP Conservancy Lane, 1-lot Subdivision, Molly Pitcher Hwy**
- G. Gavin Strait, 1-lot Subdivision, Williamson Rd**
- H. Red Oaks Estates lots 9-28 & 63-79, 37 lot Subdivision, Scarlet Circle**
- I. ACBP Lot 7R & Conservancy Lane , Land Development, Molly Pitcher Highway**

SEWER AND WATER

- A. Keystone Crossing, 120-unit subdivision, South Young Rd**
- B. US Cold Storage, Land Development, Hykes Rd**

C. Core5 at Mason Dixon LLC Land Development, Greenmount Road

D. 2003 Mason Dixon Road LLC

WATER

A. ATMA Shook Well Outlot

PUBLIC SEWER

A. ACBP Lot 7R & Conservancy Lane, Sewer Exemption

A Rose/Murray motion passed 4-0 to adopt Resolution No. 2023-003 accepting the Dedication of easement to access certain sewer lines within subdivision of Rolling Hills PRD ph 9. Chairman signed.

A Rose/Murray motion passed 4-0 to accept the Deed of Dedication from Rolling Hills Phase 9 Sewer. Chairman signed.

Nowell asked the Board if they had interest in a rate increase for sewer and water. Per Murray, if budget warrants an increase, then yes, he would be in favor of looking at increases. Nowell would need to revisit the numbers and recommendations that were previously provided. Per Rose, he would be more in favor of an increase in tap fees versus a quarterly rate increase.

Nowell reported that there are continued issues with the utilities on the Greenmount Road improvement project, where contractors did not install the utilities deep enough and stated that he has a meeting with them on September 26. Murray questioned who was catching the errors and Nowell reported that Dewberry and Liberty Excavating.

Nowell provided an update on the request for water reduction for 801 Bristol Drive. He stated that there is still no change in the amount of usage. Also stated that a payment plan was started and that the property was up for sale. Mummert noted that the pending settlement would clear up the past due balance.

In regards to the Glenwood Foods Expansion, Nowell received a request for permission to blast from Maine Blasting. **A Murray/Rose motion passed 4-0 to grant permission.**

A discussion was held regarding the (5) Pretreatment permitted users and the new requirement for PFAS sampling. There are currently (2) that are required to sample quarterly and (3) that are required to sample 1 time per year. Nowell received notice that JLG of Hykes Road was requesting that PFAS sampling not be required 4 times per year due to it being a costly test at approximately \$5000 per test. Nowell stated that he notified them of the change to be proactive and strategically plan. **A Rose/Murray motion passed 4-0 to continue with permitted users testing as it currently is at 4 times per year.**

Nowell reported that he has applied for the permit to dispose of sludge at the landfill and that it currently does not include PFAS.

Nowell presented the design for the Exit 3 public water system. Murray questioned how many users this would add, and Nowell stated there would be a lot of users. The system would have 12" mains and Rte 11 would have (2) 4" plugs for North and South extension possibilities. At the one area ATMA would need to get a ROW from a property owner.

A Murray/Rose motion passed 4-0 to authorize payment to the R&I 99 Fund, Springfield Tower in the amount of \$15,000.

A discussion was held regarding the Shook Estate agreement. The subdivision plan was submitted, staff commented, and it was turned back over to Shelly Witter & Fox to have fixed. Ms Rowe has inquired about the \$55,000 payment. We would not issue payment until we are presented with an executed deed and that will not be available until the subdivision plan is approved. **A Murray/Rose motion passed 4-0 to conditionally approve payment pending receipt of deed and access agreement.** Solicitor Fenicle will draft the easement agreement.

Pump stations 17 and 24 building repairs were discussed. Geotechnical study was suggested to make sure soil is ok at both stations. Triad quoted \$6400 lump sum for both sites. Roger has not reviewed the proposal but asked board members for input. Per Murray the board will table this until Nowell has the opportunity to review further.

The board discussed the South-Antrim well 3. PFAS results were received with no levels indicating need for treatment. Nowell will begin work on permit application with potential for Murray well as alternate source along with locating a storage tank at the Murray well site. Application must show an alternate source and/or at least one days supply of water.

There was nothing new to report on North-Antrim Well site. Nowell will again touch base with Jeff Camp at Vision Group and will continue to monitor for interest in the site.

State Line Water (Rochester Place) was discussed and Nowell reported that there was a pre-construction meeting scheduled for October 6th and they would break ground shortly after.

Nowell reported that he did receive correspondence from solicitor today. Nowell and Chairman Smith will be at the Board of Supervisor meeting on October 10th to discuss a potential grant or loan from the Board of Supervisors for the proposed Water System Fire Hydrants. As discussed in prior meeting, the costs to prepare specs for a bid packet was quoted at \$8800. Costars vendor LB water has quoted materials at approximately \$145,000.00. Costars vendor PSI gave a price of \$465000.00 to provide materials and installation of the 12 hydrants. Alleman (BOS Supervisor) present at meeting questioned if an RFP was put out and does it include prevailing wage which the Board of Supervisor Solicitor Lisko stated would be necessary. It was suggested that we have the township road crew do the actual work and installation, however Nowell was unsure if we had the time or knowledge for this. **A Murray/Rose motion passed 4-0 to authorize Nowell to proceed with purchase of materials from LB Water and for Nowell to proceed with getting costs for equipment and installation from others.** Nowell stated that he

would sit down with Township Secretary to figure out what the ATMA could take from funds available and come up with a proposal for the Board of Supervisors regarding a loan request. Solicitor Fenicle stated that he and Nowell will make sure that they are completing things properly.

Nowell reported that Wastewater Treatment Plant Operations are going well with TN for Nitrogen year being 8,511 lbs with August total 1,018 lbs. Nowell noted that one report was not received yet. TP for Phosphorus year is approximately 1,831 lbs with August total at 145 lbs. Again, Nowell noted that one report was not received yet. We would possibly have 13000 lbs in Nitrogen credits and 1000 lbs in Phosphorus credits available for sale. The sale process does not start until October. Nowell to check with Glace on submission of correct paperwork to DEP. **A Murray/Rose motion passed 4-0 to allow Nowell to explore the sale of credits.**

Nowell reported that he is continuing to request pump retrofit proposals for PS9 (Firework store) PS12 (Coseytown) and PS14 (Ace Hardware).

Water Treatment Plant operations are going well and system is tight.

Drought Status is D0 (Abnormally dry) but this should soon change.

Nowell reported that we will be participating in and Area Wide PFAS study with EPA. This will be at no cost to us. Reported that Antrim Well 3 had PFAS detected but was below the amount.

Nowell reported that Park Water Operations are almost at the 1 year mark under new treatment. Work has begun to compile data and submit to DEP for reduction of frequency of visits.

A Murray/Rose motion passed 4-0 to adjourn at 8:26pm.

A work session is scheduled for Monday, October 16, 2023 at 7:00 pm (if needed) and the next regular meeting is scheduled for Monday, October 30, 2023 at 7:00 pm.

Respectfully Submitted

Crystal D. Mummert
Recording Secretary