

ANTRIM TOWNSHIP MUNICIPAL AUTHORITY
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES OF AUGUST 31, 2015

The Antrim Township Municipal Authority met Monday, August 31, 2015 at 7 p.m. in the Antrim Township Municipal Building, 10655 Antrim Church Road, with the following members in attendance: Chad Murray, Rodney Eberly, Bob Coladonato, Dale Hostetter and Michael Smith. Carl Rundquist, Public Utilities Director and Linus Fenicle, Solicitor, were in attendance. Audience members included Fred Frederick and John Alleman.

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

On a Coladonato/Hostetter motion passed 4-0 (Eberly abstained as he was absent from that meeting) the July 27, 2015 meeting minutes were approved. (After the minutes were approved Solicitor Fenicle mentioned that a reason was not given in those minutes for an executive session.)

Fred Frederick addressed the Authority concerning his plan, **Frederick & Cross, 1-lot Subdivision/Lot Additions, Frederick Drive**. This plan was approved contingent upon trees and a horse fence being removed from the sewer right-of-way on the property. Frederick asked that he be allowed to harvest the apples from the misplaced trees in October/November before having them removed. In the meantime, he proposed getting an estimate to have the trees removed within the week and posting a bond (a personal check) with the Township until the work is complete, so that his plan can move forward.

On a Hostetter/Smith motion passed 5-0 permission was given for Frederick to post a bond with Antrim Township for the estimated cost of removing the trees, however the plan will not be signed until the bond is received.

On a Coladonato/Eberly motion passed 5-0 bills from the Water Fund were approved for payment.

On an Eberly/Coladonato motion passed 5-0 bills from the Repair and Improvement Account were approved for payment.

On a Hostetter/Smith motion passed 5-0 bills from the Capital Improvement Fund were approved for payment

There were no bills for payment from the Project Fund.

A 3-lot subdivision plan for **William and Heidi Yaukey, Kuhn Road**, was recognized as not having public sewer available in the area.

Rundquist again reported that sewer personnel had inspected Red Oaks Estates; had not completed inspections in Antrim Meadows; and were almost finished in Cedarbrook and had found minor repairs to be made, when, in the meantime, paving was completed, without repairs being made in Cedarbrook Development. Rundquist said that the new paving will have to be dug up to make the repairs and the developer will be asked to televise the lines prior to the Township accepting the Deed of Dedication for the sewer lines and in this particular case, water lines.

Rundquist said that none of the developments mentioned have performance bonds in place and Red Oak Estates developers asked for a release of their maintenance bond for the development but Rundquist said it is not recommended as there are big trees in the sewer rights-of-way which must be removed.

On a Coladonato/Eberly motion, passed 5-0 Authority members are requesting that the Antrim Township Board of Supervisors require/obtain a maintenance bond from developers at 15% for 18 months when sewer (and in some cases water) lines are dedicated to the Township.

Fenicle confirmed at the June 29, 2015 meeting that the developer was required to supply a 15% security (maintenance bond) for 18 months from dedication in case there were repairs to be made to utilities.

Eberly directed Rundquist to have it stated in an ordinance that all sewer lines must be televised prior to the Township accepting dedication, when Rundquist and Coladonato continue updating the sewer ordinances.

Rundquist reported that he had met with representatives from a proposed Dollar General Store on Molly Pitcher Highway to discuss a sewer connection. Rundquist said that there were two options: 1) run two laterals across Route 11, one to each lot; or 2) run one 6" line across Route 11 then branch out to the two lots, of which he preferred and recommended option 2. Coladonato queried as to where they (Dollar General) were getting their water supply?

A proposal to run public water across Mason Dixon Road to service a restaurant was submitted showing a 2" line from Hoffman Trucking on the north side of the road. Rundquist recommended that a bigger line (8") be required so as to be available to service other entities as a 2" line could only service the restaurant. When the Authority first heard this request, members told the engineer that they would need a letter from Washington County, MD stating that Antrim Township may service this property as it is located in Maryland. The Authority would also require that this 8" line be dedicated to the Township.

A water line expansion study/design was discussed for the State Line area. Rundquist said that a proposal will have to be written; a preliminary layout prepared; a survey of cisterns and/or bad wells taken; and a cost estimate provided to proceed. He suggested using GHD, engineers, for the study/design. Again, Murray said that he would like to see an expansion move forward as the Authority has the water and facility to treat the water but usage does not come close to its potential. Rundquist and staff were requested to proceed with getting this study/design phase started.

Rundquist, while working through the 2016 budget, thought the Authority should consider including the cost for a wastewater treatment plant study, which could entail replacing the UV (ultraviolet) system; the nitrification system; and equipment and controls and a new splitter box.

Authority members agreed but noted that this budget item would have to go to the Board of Supervisors for approval in the sewer budget.

Murray left at 8:15 p.m.

Rundquist continued his report noting that the pumps need to be lifted out of pump station #13 and the design of this system is ongoing; the screw press project is almost complete; easements must be discussed for the Shanks Church Road Sewer Bypass project; CAP metering is continuing in Willowdale; sewer manhole information is being recovered in the GPS system; GHD continues to work on the NPDES permit; pump station 17 is back in order; and operations at the wastewater treatment plant are going well. Mowing and marking of sewer rights-of-way continues and will include the added task of mowing all pump stations.

Rundquist reported that operations at the water treatment plant are going well.

On a Hostetter/Smith motion passed 4-0 (Murray was absent at this time) the meeting adjourned 8:40 p.m.

The next meeting of the Authority will be Monday, September 28, 2015 at 7:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Joyce A. Nowell

Recording Secretary