## ANTRIM TOWNSHIP MUNICIPAL AUTHORITY

## **MEETING MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER 24, 2012**

The Antrim Township Municipal Authority met Monday, September 24, 2012 at 7 p.m. in the Antrim Township Municipal Building with the following members in attendance: Rodney Eberly, Chad Murray, Rick Baer, Elwood Myers and Bob Schemmerling. Also attending were Carl Rundquist, Public Works Director and Linus Fenicle, Solicitor.

Audience members included: Bob Coladonato, John Highby and Tim Manahan.

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

Bob Coladonato addressed Authority members concerning delinquent sewer bills, as he has submitted a Right-to-Know request to obtain the amount of delinquent sewer bills. He cited a paragraph in the Sewer Lease Agreement that addresses collection of delinquent accounts and also in the Sewer Ordinance which addresses collection of delinquent accounts by any manner permitted. He also spoke of four actions that may be taken in the collection of delinquent accounts. He asked if the Authority was interested in taking further action (other than filing liens) in the collection process, to which Chairman Eberly said that he appreciated Coladonatos' time and effort in researching the process and assured him that he was not wasting his time. Coladonato said that he will make the same information available to the Board of Supervisors.

On a Murray/Baer motion, passed 4-0-1 (Schemmerling abstained as he was not in attendance at this meeting) the August 27, 2012 minutes were approved.

On a Murray/Myers motion passed 5-0 the Treasurer's Report for Water along with the payment of bills was approved, with the withdrawal of check #3427 as it is believed monies for this check came from the wrong account.

Schemmerling asked why he has not been receiving the information on the budget balance sheet.

On a Baer/Myers motion passed 5-0, bills from the Repair and Improvement Account were approved for payment.

Dennis Crabill and Deepthi Kalyanam, engineers with Buchart Horn Inc., presented a draft preliminary report of the Shanks Church Road area sanitary sewer system study, offering two alternatives to relieve surcharging in the area, causing overflows. Alternative 1 increases the sewer size to 18 inches at a cost estimate of \$1.17 million and Alternative 2 reroutes flows from pump stations 5 and 25 to the Williamsport interceptor at a cost of estimate of \$1.76 million. Crabill and Kalyanam cited Alternative 1 as the most cost effective solution, although many rights of way would need to be verified/reclaimed; while Alternative 2 would have minimal disruption of the residential development; traffic; roads restoration; and other utility conflicts.

Following review of the draft study, a decision will have to be made as to which Alternative will be used as the study will be required to be submitted to the Department of Environmental Protection as part of the Township's Corrective Action Plan.

Authority members recognized a 1-lot subdivision plan for Betty and Lauren Horst, on Coseytown Road which has an on-lot septic system.

On an Eberly/Murray motion, passed 5-0, a Signature Page for Authority members, Administrator Graham and Jennifer Becknell, Secretary/Treasurer, for Susquehanna Bank, was approved and signed. Schemmerling chose to not sign the page.

On a Schemmerling/Murray motion, passed 5-0, allowing Becknell the authority to transfer funds was

tabled until the Authority knows exactly what funds are being transferred.

On a Murray/Baer motion passed 5-0, approval was given to sell an aluminum building, 4 old generators and 4 - 250 gallon fuel tanks at auction with monies from the sale going into the repair and improvement fund.

On a Baer/Murray motion passed 5-0, a sewer/water bill waiver request for 14786 Sherwood Drive was denied.

On a Schemmerling/Murray motion, passed 4-0 (Baer was out of the room at this time) a request for a property at 80 Mason Dixon Road to be permitted to connect to Washington County (MD) sewer system as a portion of this property is located in Antrim Township and a portion in Washington County (MD) with a sewer lateral available at a neighboring property, was granted.

On a Schemmerling/Murray motion passed 5-0, approval was given for the purchase of program changes for the UV control system at cost of \$4,425.00 to operate the system more efficiently, possibly saving as much as \$1,800 per month in electricity.

Rundquist reported that he has not received signed documents from Monacacy Valley Electric as yet but the pump has been ordered for the lift station #3 replacement project. He also reported that work has begun on the lift station #8 project; lift station #5 is in good shape following routine maintenance; significant I&I was found near lift station #15, filming was done, but the DVD has not been viewed as yet to assess the problem; wet wells at lift stations #19, 15, 24 and 21 were cleaned; and drawdown tests were done on lift stations #20, #11, #12 and #13. He added that he had purchased a water level indicator for use in completing draw down tests on pumping stations.

On the water side, Rundquist reported that operations are going well with a check valve to be installed on the filter to the waste piping as per PA DEP requirements.

Murray asked if the corn has been cut on the Washington Farms property so that personnel may inspect the existing sewer lines. Rundquist will check to see and proceed with the inspection.

Solicitor Fenicle reported that he had spoken to the attorney for Washington Farms, who has already provided as-builts for the property, and assured Authority members that a Deed of Dedication will be forthcoming.

Tim Manahan asked Authority members for an update on the widening of Hykes Road, the sewer along Hykes Road and getting water to R-2 zoned property on Young Road. Manahan was advised to speak to the Supervisors about the widening and suggested he had a plan for the Young Road property, prior to a water commitment.

On a Baer/Murray motion, passed 5-0, an executive session for the discussion of real estate was called at 7:25 p.m.

On a Murray/Schemmerling motion, passed 5-0, the executive session adjourned at 9:15 p.m. and a Schemmerling/Murray motion passed 5-0 to adjourn the meeting.

The next meeting of the Antrim Township Municipal Authority will be Monday, October 29, 2012 at 7 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Joyce A. Nowell Recording Secretary