

**ANTRIM TOWNSHIP MUNICIPAL AUTHORITY
MEETING MINUTES OF DECEMBER 19, 2011**

The Antrim Township Municipal Authority met Monday, December 19, 2011 at 7 p.m. in the Antrim Township Municipal Building with the following members in attendance: Bob Coladonato, Chad Murray, Elwood Myers, Bob Schemmerling and Rodney Eberly. Also attending were Linus Fenicle, Solicitor; Brad Graham, Township Administrator; and Carl Rundquist, Public Works Director. There were no audience members.

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

On a Schemmerling/Eberly motion, passed 4-0 (Myers abstained as he was absent from the Nov. 21 meeting) the meeting minutes of November 21, 2011 were approved.

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

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

Public Works Director Rundquist reported that an on-site inspection of the Antrim Commons Sewer System had been performed by Rick Shadle of David H. Martin; Tom Green, of Antrim Township Sewer Department; and himself reporting that most of the manholes and lines were satisfactory in the development except for two. Rundquist said the developer has been notified of the problem manholes and recommended that the Municipal Authority require all repairs/replacements to the above facilities are complete and satisfactory prior to accepting the dedication of sewer lines and appurtenances.

On a Schemmerling/Eberly motion passed 5-0, the 2012 Repair and Improvement Fund Budget was approved showing revenues of \$41,000.00 and \$460,000.00 in expenditures which includes the replacement of lift station #7.

On a Myers/Schemmerling motion passed 5-0, the 2012 Water Fund Budget was approved with a 1% increase to water customers. The new rate will raise the metered rate from \$48.22 per quarter to \$48.70 per quarter plus raise the \$6.94/1,000 gallons to \$7.00/1,000 gallons. Revenues projected for 2012 without the rate increase were \$202,100.00 with expenditures set at \$181,146.00. With the increase and an estimated \$5,198.28 left over in the balance Authority members hope to be able to begin paying back a loan to the Repair and Improvement Fund in September of 2012.

The Municipal Authority and the Board of Supervisors will meet January 30, 2012 at 7:00 p.m. to try to resolve the sewer lease agreement.

Rundquist reported that he had a conversation with the engineer for Nottingham Meadows and he believes that drawings showing the water lines for that development will be provided to the Township in the near future.

On a Coladonato/Murray motion passed 5-0, a statement of agreement between Boyer and Ritter CPAs, who will perform the audit, and the Antrim Township Municipal Authority, was approved and signed by Chairman Coladonato for an audit of the water fund, sewer project fund and sewer escrow fund with an anticipated cost of \$11,550.00. Chairman Coladonato said that the cost to the Municipal Authority for the water audit would be around \$3,000.00 with the remainder of the \$11,550.00 to be paid by the Board of Supervisors and instructed Administrator Graham to relay this to the Board of Supervisors.

On a Myers/Eberly motion passed 5-0, an extension until January 30, 2012 was given to the general and electrical contractors working at lift station 6 as a tripping hazard issue must be resolved.

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Solicitor Fenicle reported that he is still waiting on the decision from the Judge in the Ronca litigation and will probably not hear anything until after the first of the year.

On a Schemmerling/Myers motion passed 5-0, Fenicle was instructed to begin legal proceedings against Washington Farms. Fenicle told Authority members that they had an option to file a complaint (equity action) against Washington Farms, since deeds of dedication have not been provided since the Washington Farms attorney first addressed the issue approximately two years ago. Fenicle estimated a cost to begin proceedings would be in the \$500.00 to \$1,000.00 range.

Chairman Coladonato told those present that he had submitted a letter to the Board of Supervisors in September of this year, stating that he would not seek re-appointment to the Municipal Authority as his term expires December 31, 2011. Coladonato expressed his concern as to the action of the Supervisors at their December 13, 2011 meeting when a motion was made and voted on to appoint Supervisor Richard Baer to fill the appointment to the Authority. According to Coladonato, the Municipal Authority Act states that this appointment needs to be made by the new Board of Supervisors during the reorganizational meeting. Coladonato expressed a formal objection to the action taken by the Board of Supervisors, as he is a member of the Municipal Authority until December 31. Graham was instructed to relate this objection to the Board of Supervisors.

Municipal Authority members thanked Coladonato for his dedication and service over the past years.

On a Schemmerling/Myers motion passed 5-0, the meeting adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

The next meeting of the Antrim Township Municipal Authority will be Monday, January 30, 2012 at 7 p.m. This will be a joint meeting with the Antrim Township Board of Supervisors.

Respectfully submitted,
Joyce A. Nowell

Recording Secretary