

## ANTRIM TOWNSHIP MUNICIPAL AUTHORITY

### MEETING OF SEPTEMBER 26, 2011

The Antrim Township Municipal Authority met Monday, September 26, 2011 at 7:00 p.m. in the Antrim Township Municipal Building with the following members in attendance: Bob Coladonato, Elwood Myers, Bob Schemmerling and Rodney Eberly. Chad Murray was absent from the meeting. Also attending were Brad Graham, Township Administrator; Linus Fenicle, Solicitor; Carl Rundquist, Public Works Director; and Steve Zeller of Brinjac Engineering.

Audience members included: R. Lee Royer, Merle Holsinger and Mike Still.

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

On a Schemmerling/Eberly motion, passed 4-0 (Murray was absent from the meeting) the meeting minutes of August 29, 2011 were approved.

On an Eberly/Myers motion passed 4-0 (Murray was absent from the meeting) the Treasurer's report for water along with the payment of bills was approved.

On a Schemmerling/Myers motion, passed 4-0 (Murray was absent from the meeting) bills from the Repair and Improvement Fund were approved for payment.

There were no bills from the project fund. Authority members asked Brad Graham, Administrator, to check to see what, if any, balance was left in the project fund and any remaining money should be put back into the water fund.

On a Myers/Schemmerling motion, passed 4-0 (Murray was absent from the meeting) **Exit 3 Properties**, Land Development, Molly Pitcher Highway South, was approved as all Municipal Authority comments had been addressed.

On a Myers/Eberly motion, passed 4-0 (Murray was absent from the meeting) **Paulmark Lots 30 and 31**, Jasper Drive, was approved. The lot will now be Lot 31.

**Greencastle Waste Water Treatment Plant**, BNR Expansion, Land Development, Grant Shook Road; and **Marcreek Farms**, Land Development, 12285 Worleytown Road were recognized by the Municipal Authority.

On a Schemmerling/Myers motion, passed 4-0 (Murray was absent from the meeting) a waiver from paying sewer bill request was approved for 10861 Grindstone Hill Road, with owner to disconnect and pay an inspection fee of \$50.00.

Graham presented a budget worksheet of revenues and expenses for year end 2009 and 2010 and year to date of 2011 for the Authority's repair and improvement fund and water fund. He also included the sewer fund budget for their review. Authority members directed Graham to prepare 2012 preliminary budgets for the repair and improvement fund and the water fund for the next meeting October 31, 2011 and also reminded Graham that they would like to be involved in the preparing of the sewer budget. Coladonato and Schemmerling said they would be willing to help with the R&I and water budget.

Solicitor Fenicle reported that he had found no dedication of water lines from his research into whether or not Creative Investments, developers of Nottingham Meadows, had dedicated the water lines in Nottingham Meadows to the Authority. Public Works Director Rundquist will get in touch with Creative Investments and proceed with getting the lines dedicated.

Graham presented a sewer lease agreement update with a chart prepared by Mary Klein, Secretary to the Board of Supervisors showing the changes made to the agreement. The consensus of Authority

members was to ask the Board of Supervisors to please re-consider the idea of remaining “status quo” as an advisory group with no authority and no responsibility other than the repair and improvement fund. Authority members said the document (sewer lease agreement) should be matched to the behavior, allowing the Township to do it as they have all the tools, it is just not formalized. The Township already does all except for the repair and improvement charge. The Authority is requesting a meeting with the Board of Supervisors at their (the Authority’s) October 31, 2011 meeting at 7:00 p.m. to once again express their concerns.

Chairman Coladonato said that he had signed the Augusta Partners LLC plan as all comments of the Authority made at the last meeting had been addressed on the plan. The Authority approved the plan July 25, 2011 but had not signed the plan.

Public Works Director Rundquist reported that operations at the water treatment plant did fairly well during the September 7 to 11, 2011 week of rain and flooding on September 9, 2011. However, there were issues with the collection/conveyance system that included: a sanitary sewer overflow at a manhole off Shanks Church Road; and that seven lift stations were continuously running at full capacity with high wet well level alarms throughout the night of September 9 and morning of September 10. High I&I flows were observed in the Willowdale, Coseytown and Mason Road areas, but the high flows at the wastewater treatment plant were handled without incident.

Rundquist reported that a new UV controller had been installed and is operational at the wastewater treatment plant. Future investments in the UV system have been recommended to include: a new hydraulic pump assembly to run the wipers; module seal covers; wiper cylinders; new coolant pump and rebuild a spare; new wiper seal assemblies; hydraulic pistons for the wipers; align wiper #4A; install new contactors for the coolant pump units; and order several spare parts. Fecal coliform testing indicates that fecal kill is a non-issue when bulbs are cleaned regularly and the new controller is helping to keep the UV bulbs clean along with hand washing the bulbs weekly as the wiper/cleaning mechanisms for the UV bulbs are not working properly. Most of the future investments listed are related to the bulb cleaning mechanism. Authority members advised Rundquist to continue working on the UV system to get it working properly.

Rundquist said he is waiting for contracts prior to issuing the Notice of Award/Notice to Proceed documents for Lift Station 3. Steve Zeller, of Brinjac Engineering will check on these documents. The pumps for the Lift Station 6 project were supposed to be delivered today and will be set October 3 or 4 with the enclosure to be delivered October 5.

Rundquist reported that a PaDEP permit to dispose of sludge at the landfill expires September 30 and a new Form 43 requires extensive testing to be done. Estimated cost of this testing is \$2,200.00. Dewberry-Goodkind will be preparing the annual report for the wastewater treatment plant and the collection system.

Rundquist is looking into replacing the filter cloths on the large press at the wastewater treatment plant with a new type of cloth filters that are much easier to install. Authority members noted that this process is part of operation and maintenance.

Rundquist was investigating enlarging a 15” sewer line along Hykes Road and reported that he found that the proposed 16” line under the tracks has the capacity for the foreseeable future because the particular section of the line has a 2.97% slope. The remaining sewer lines along Hykes Road are not sloped this much and will require a larger pipe size in the future, according to Rundquist.

A contract in the amount of \$15,500 was awarded to Brinjac Engineering in August of 2010 to proceed with a proposal for the lift station 3 replacement project and the lift station 17 modification project. No work on the wet well and the structural design and borings at lift station 17 was done so Rundquist is

asking Brinjac Engineering to continue with lift station 17 bidding etc. with no additional charges. Zeller said he would get an answer for Rundquist at the next meeting.

Rundquist reported that operations at the water treatment plant were going well, other than having to replace the radio signal on the Cedarbrook Water Tower at a cost of \$1,336.21 due to a lightning strike and a break in at the treatment plant, when the fence was scaled and an outdoor switch was turned off, which in turn alerted the operator.

Fenicle reported that oral arguments will be held October 6 at 9 a.m. in the Ronca lawsuit in the Franklin County Courthouse with Judge Walsh presiding.

On an Eberly/Schemmerling motion, passed 4-0 (Murray was absent from the meeting) the meeting adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

The next meeting of the Antrim Township Municipal Authority will be Monday, October 31, 2011 at 7:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Joyce A. Nowell

Recording Secretary