

ANTRIM TOWNSHIP MUNICIPAL AUTHORITY
REGULAR MEETING OF APRIL 27, 2009

The Antrim Township Municipal Authority met Monday, April 27, 2009, at 7 p.m., in the Antrim Township Municipal Building with the following members in attendance: Elwood Myers, Roy Baum, Bob Schemmerling and Bob Coladonato. Rodney Eberly was absent. Also attending were Shawn Meyers, Solicitor; Brad Graham, Township Administrator; Sylvia House, Zoning/Code Enforcement Officer; and Steve Zeller, of Brinjac Engineering.

Audience members included Curtis Myers.

Chairman Myers called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m.

On a Schemmerling/Baum motion, passed 4-0, the ATMA and ATBOS joint meeting minutes of March 24, 2009 were approved. (Eberly was absent from the meeting.)

On a Baum/Coladonato motion, passed 3-0, the regular meeting minutes of March 30, 2009, were approved. (Eberly was absent from the meeting and Schemmerling abstained as he did not attend the March 30 meeting).

On a Schemmerling/Coladonato motion, passed 4-0, the ATMA, ATBOS, Greencastle Borough Council and the Greencastle Area Franklin County Water Authority joint meeting minutes of April 13, 2009 were approved with the comment that the minutes should reflect the vote of endorsement from the BOS for the sale of the water system. (Eberly was absent from the meeting).

On a Coladonato/Baum motion, passed 4-0, (Eberly was absent from the meeting) the Treasurer's Report for Water was approved with the withdrawing of check #2415 as it should be drawn from the sewer account and not the water account as listed, along with the payment of bills.

On a Baum/Schemmerling motion, passed 4-0, (Eberly was absent from the meeting), a sewer facilities planning module exemption mailer was approved and signed for Sheetz proposed location on Buchanan Trail East.

On a Baum/Coladonato motion, passed 4-0, (Eberly was absent from the meeting), a sewer facilities planning module/non-building declaration and an exemption was approved and signed for Hal and Nina Myers, Gearhart Road.

On a Schemmerling/Baum motion, passed 4-0, (Eberly was absent from the meeting), a sewer facilities planning module was approved and signed for Lorraine Elliott, Williamson Road.

On a Schemmerling/Coladonato motion, passed 4-0 (Eberly was absent from the meeting) a 3-lot subdivision plan for David Welch, Molly Pitcher Highway, was recommended for approval.

On a Baum/Coladonato motion, passed 4-0, (Eberly was absent from the meeting) a 1-lot subdivision plan for Terry Martin, Swamp Fox Road, was recognized.

On a Baum/Schemmerling motion, passed 4-0, (Eberly was absent from the meeting) a 2-lot addition subdivision plan for Lorraine Elliott, Williamson Road, was recognized.

Schemmerling reported that paperwork has not been received as yet for the Infrastructure Development Grant from Mike Ross at the Franklin County Area Development Corporation (FCADC) and that monies had not yet been received for the Growing Greener Grant. Later in the meeting, Administrator Graham reported that paperwork had been received from the FCADC concerning the Infrastructure Development Grant.

Steve Zeller of Brinjac Engineering reported that the lift station 4 elimination project would be ready to go to bid by July since all easements for the project have been obtained. Schemmerling stated that the Authority had hoped to go to bid immediately with Zeller explaining that Part II of the planning module has to be completed prior to going out to bid.

On a Baum/Coladonato motion, passed 4-0, (Eberly was absent from the meeting), sewer payment waiver request for Carol Homes was tabled as no new information had been provided.

Graham reported that the generator/pump projects at lift stations 15 and 16 should be complete in about 3 to 4 weeks.

Zeller reported that videos done on the Township sewer lines showed that 100,000 gallons a day was being lost due to cracks in the lines. On a Schemmerling/Baum motion, passed 4-0, (Eberly was absent from the meeting) Zeller was instructed to move ahead with a proposal and get it out to bid as soon as possible for the relining of these lines. Administrator Graham was authorized to review all proposals and ATMA Chairman Myers was authorized to sign all of the proposals approved by Mr. Graham in regards to the slip lining of sewer lines. It was noted that the Board of Supervisors would also have to approve this action at their next Board meeting.

Solicitor Meyers reported that Robert Long of Harrisburg, bond counsel for the Greencastle Area Franklin County Water Authority, will draft a sales agreement for sale of the water treatment plant to the GAFCWA. Meyers will let the ATMA's creditors know that the Authority will be paying off their debts and will inform bond counsel for the ATMA of the sale.

Zeller presented a proposal to Authority members concerning the upgrade of the digester at the wastewater treatment plant. As the Township was already in the process of obtaining information regarding the upgrade of the digester system Zeller said that there is stimulus money now available through Penn Vest for "green infrastructure projects" such as the digester project, which is a "green" project as it affects the environment and energy. Zeller continued that projects being sought must be shovel-ready in six months and pass Penn Vest's criteria, which he ascertained that the digester project met three of the five criteria.

The only problem being that a Part II preliminary design must be ready by the middle of May for submittal for the grants. Zeller assured the Authority that the engineers could have the preliminary design ready for presentation but that it will cost \$100,000.00 to prepare the preliminary design, money that has not been budgeted this year for this project.

Schemmerling insisted that 6.5% of the total construction cost payable to the engineers was not a true figure and wondered if that could be negotiated as Brinjac Engineering would not be engineering the structures for the Thermo System Solar Dryer. If the grant money is not obtained, the engineering for the design would be complete for the Township to proceed with the digester upgrade.

On a Schemmerling/Coladonato motion, passed 4-0, (Eberly was absent from the meeting), recommendation was given to the Board of Supervisors to proceed with Part II design for the purpose of obtaining grant money for the Thermo System Solar Sludge Dryer with attachments with the following additional comments: that the Board of Supervisors understand this is a \$100,000.00 obligation; that this is not a budgeted item; and that the BOS understand if the grants don't come through, it's a \$100,000.00 risk.

Curtis Myers, Chairman of the Antrim Township Board of Supervisors was in the audience and thought the Board would be open to this motion and that he would be in touch with the engineers to negotiate the construction cost.

On a Schemmerling/Baum motion, passed 4-0 (Eberly was absent from the meeting), an executive

session was called at 9:20 p.m. to discuss litigation. The executive session ended at 9:25 p.m. with Solicitor Meyers announcing the Ronca litigation was discussed in the executive session.

On a Schemmerling/Baum motion, passed 4-0, (Eberly was absent from the meeting), the meeting adjourned at 9:27 p.m.

The next meeting of the Antrim Township Municipal Authority will be Monday, May 18, 2009 at 7:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Joyce A. Nowell

Recording Secretary