

NORTHEASTERN YORK COUNTY SEWER AUTHORITY

September 26, 2011

The Northeastern York County Sewer Authority met on Monday, September 26, beginning at 7:00 PM in the Authority meeting room at 175 Chestnut Street.

Authority members in attendance were:

Mt. Wolf Borough

George Miller

Manchester Borough

Clair Good
Gene Snell, Jr.

East Manchester Township

James Coble
John Nace

Engineer

John Leen

Solicitor

Stacey MacNeal

Plant Superintendent

Tom Prowell

Recording Secretary

Pat Poet

Special Projects Coordinator

Visitors in attendance were Peter Nestlerode, Bob Amspacher, Steve Gross & John Rea.

Minutes

The minutes from the August 22, 2011, meeting were approved as mailed.

Visitors/Correspondence

Solicitor's Letter – Jim Coble reviewed a letter from Attorney Stacey MacNeal noting her desire to be appointed as Solicitor for 2012. This vote will be held at the Authority's reorganizational meeting in January.

New Authority Member – Mt. Wolf Borough Council has appointed Patti Fisher to replace Ross Raffensperger's unexpired term on the Sewer Authority. She was unable to attend tonight's meeting because of a previous commitment.

Operations Report

Sherman Oaks Pump Station – Tom Prowell reported problems with blowing gaskets in this station. Hydra-Numatic recommends installing soft starts in these pumps. Tom received a quote from Heim of \$6,900 to install the soft starts. Tom suggested only two of these pumps would probably need the soft starts installed, since it is only two pumps that are having difficulties. He will obtain a price from Heim for the installation in two pumps only.

Blower Problems – Problems have occurred with the pressure relief valves on the new blowers. Roots created a new design for the valves and so far they have been working.

Valve Problems – Aero-Mod had been working, by phone, to try to solve valve opening problems with the new plant. Aero-Mod then sent a representative out last week to work on the problem. They are going to re-build the valves and send them to Tom.

Thickener Problems – The level sensor on the thickener has not been working properly. Aero-Mod is also working on this problem and is coming up with a re-designed hopper system. They will be here to install it when complete.

Sink Hole – Clair Good continues to have a sink hole in his yard. The lines were televised and it appears the problem is with the storm sewer lines. Manchester Borough is working on the problem.

Roof Replacement – The roof replacement work has begun today by Amric. They estimate to be finished in three to four days.

Storms – Tom reported on damage at the plant from the latest storm, Lee. Portions of the bank along the stream have been washed away, leaving the fence hanging. Estimates are being sought on the damages. There was a sink hole in Saginaw on 4th Street, in front of Joel Klinedinst's home, that Kinsley repaired. There are two manholes in the stream that washed away; many manholes were surcharging throughout the storm. The pump seals went out at the Sherman Oaks station with the most probable cause of the pumps continuously running for days. Tom will keep the Authority updated on these damages and repairs as they are made.

Authority Administration

Website – Pat shared information on costs for the Authority to set up a website. She will contact Judy at the East Manchester Township office for information on their website and report back to the Authority in October.

Newsletter – Clair Good shared the Manchester Borough newsletter with Authority members. He would like the Authority to create some type of newsletter. Jim Coble suggested if the Authority starts up a website, much of the information that would be in a newsletter could be posted on a website.

Solicitor's Report

Farm Sublease Bid – Attorney MacNeal reported the Authority received three bids for the farm sublease. She suggested the bids be tabled until the October meeting. She would like the details of the farm lease with Susquehanna be worked out prior to awarding the farm sublease. The sublease would begin November 1st.

Engineer's Report

New Building Bids – John Leen provided a handout of all bids received for the new building project. After discussion a Snell/Miller motion was made to award the construction bids to the following low bidders – General Contract – Amric - \$545,862.00; Mechanical Contract – Williams Service Company - \$67,410.00; Electrical Contract – Midstate Mechanical & Electrical - \$127,675; Plumbing Contract – R.S. Bortner - \$64,340.00; and Sitework – Fitz & Smith - \$296,969.85. Motion passed unanimously. It was noted no alternate bids are included in the contracts awarded.

A Snell/Good motion was made to authorize signature of the “notice to proceed” documents prior to the next Authority meeting. Motion passed unanimously.

The decision to add the alternate bid for solar energy will be decided upon at the October meeting.

Effluent Line Project – Because of the flooding, the effluent line project has been put on hold. John Leen will contact DEP to ask if they would allow a stream discharge adjacent to the plant rather than the river discharge on the other side of Brunner's Island.

Treasurer's Report

Invoices – A Miller/Nace motion was made to approve the invoices as submitted. Motion passed unanimously.

Requisition – A Good/Miller motion was made to approve payment of requisition **2011-21** to **CS Davidson, Inc.** in the amount of \$30,306.40 for engineering services. Motion passed unanimously.

Golf Outing – The golf outing has been rescheduled to Wednesday, October 12, 2011.

Budget Work Session – A date for the budget work session will be decided upon at the October meeting.

Adjourn

At 8:17 PM, a Good/Nace motion was made to adjourn. Motion passed unanimously.

NEXT MEETING: Monday, October 24, 2011 - 7:00 PM – Chestnut Street Meeting Room