

NORTHEASTERN YORK COUNTY SEWER AUTHORITY

JANUARY 23, 2023

The Northeastern York County Sewer Authority met on Monday, January 23, beginning at 7:00 PM in the administration building at 200 North Main Street in Mt. Wolf.

Authority members in attendance were:

Mt. Wolf Borough

Patti Fisher
Anya Barlett

Manchester Borough

Dale Benedick
Judy Hilliard

East Manchester Township

John Nace
Tyler Kramlick – By Phone

Engineers

Chris Toms
Colin Cash

Solicitor

Attorney Peter Ruth

Operations Manager/Recording Secretary

Pat Poet

Visitors/Employees

Dean Kohr, Steve Gross and employees Desiree Boorujy, Peter Nestlerode and Drew Dubbs

Agenda

A Benedick/Barlett motion was made to approve the agenda. Motion passed unanimously.

An Executive Session was held at the end of this meeting to discuss personnel items.

Reorganization – John Nace requested a motion for Chairperson. A Fisher/Benedick motion was made for all officers of the Board to remain the same as 2022. Motion passed unanimously.

Solicitor Letter of Engagement – A Fisher/Nace motion was made to approve the Engagement Letter from Stock & Leader and appoint Attorney Peter Ruth as Solicitor for 2023. Motion passed unanimously.

Minutes

A Fisher/Barlett motion was made to approve the minutes from December 19. Motion passed unanimously.

Correspondence/Visitors

No comments.

Operations Report

The Operations report was reviewed.

Pat introduced employee Drew Dubbs to the Board. This was the first meeting he has attended.

Manhole Cover – The manhole in front of Leg Up Farm along North Sherman Street has been covered with cold patch by PennDOT.

IDA Grant – Nothing has been heard from PEMA regarding funds the Authority is to receive.

Industrial Permits Issued – Approximately twenty industrial permit applications have been received out of forty. One reminder letter had been sent out in December to those who have not responded.

Swimming Pools – As discussed last month, Pat sent letters to both Leg Up Farm and Northeastern School District requesting them to contact the Authority prior to draining their pools and provide pH of the water when they do. There was no response to the letters.

Holes in Yard – Mr. Myers on Acorn Drive again reported holes have appeared in his yard. Drew Dubbs filled the holes. This is a recurring problem since this home was connected in 2005.

Penn Waste Easement Agreements – The Easement Agreements are signed and Attorney Ruth will see that they are recorded.

385 Long Road Connection – Desiree obtained a quote from Gingerich Excavation to connect this property to the sewer. A Gingerich employee visited the site and determined it will be necessary to go inside the basement to make the connection. Many attempts to contact the owner by phone and letters have been futile. The certified letter sent to him was never delivered because he did not sign for it. Attorney Ruth discussed options the Authority could take to demand entry into his home. He will send a letter to the property owner that will provide those options if he does not allow the plumber into his home to make the connection. It is hoped the property owner will allow access to his home to avoid further action.

Starview Mobile Home Park – Carl Dallmeyer is required to provide various information to the Authority as per the agreement between Starview and the Authority; but he has not. Desiree will send a reminder email to him requesting this information. If Mr. Dallmeyer does not respond to the request, Attorney Ruth will assist in obtaining it.

New Truck – The new truck is scheduled to be delivered this Wednesday.

Peter's Report – This report was reviewed and Peter explained the maintenance problems that were addressed at various pump stations and the Mount Wolf plant. He said the some of the problems at the Rentzel pump station were caused by incorrect wiring.

Peter reported on the ongoing situation regarding the line that was hit at Beshore School Road and North George Street. EnviroTrack, the contractor who hit the line, wants the Authority to pay half of the cost of the repairs. This situation was caused by them, not the Authority. The line was clearly marked with green paint and they dug directly where the line was marked. Authority expenses will be calculated, including employees' times, vehicles used and USG's expense for televising the line and then invoiced to EnviroTrack for the total expenses incurred.

After discussing problems with a few of the dialers, Peter was instructed to have employees check the dialers each time they make their weekly visits to the pump stations.

Solicitor's Report

New Solicitor – Attorney Peter Ruth thanked the Board for appointing him as Solicitor and is looking forward to working with the Authority.

Engineer's Report

Subdivision Plan – Patti Fisher presented a subdivision plan for Robert Rentzel's land in East Manchester Township. Currently the property is connected to sewer from Steffie Drive. After approval of the plan the sewer connection will need to be moved to connect to the Board Road sewer line.

General Operations

Capital Improvements Plan

Sherman Oaks/Sherman Street/Poplar Lane Pump Stations – Colin Cash reported that DEP informed him that no work may be done at any of these three stations until a full system hydraulic model is completed. CSD has attempted to get DEP permission to at least do Sherman Oaks overhaul. Overhaul would be new equipment but identical hydraulic parameters as existing conditions. However, DEP still will not relent on requirement that Authority do a full system hydraulic model before permitting any pump station improvements, even if the hydraulic conditions remain the same. He does not understand why DEP is taking this stance on Sherman Oaks. CSD to discuss further with solicitor. A meeting with DEP and solicitor present may be required.

Digesters – A meeting was held on January 11th with Synagro and Authority staff to discuss alternative disposal options. Chris is going to set up a meeting with a different contractor who could assist with disposal of biosolids.

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Corrective Action Plan

Chapter 94 Report – DEP has just approved the 2021 Chapter 94 Report. Chris noted that there is additional information that will need to be provided in March for the submission of the 2022 report that includes the high flows from Starview mobile home park, timing of sump pump disconnections along with information on industrial sampling and surcharges.

DEP is requiring additional information with submission of the 2022 Chapter 94 Report for Mt. Wolf.

Area 2 Extension

HOP Permit – There is a delay because of not obtaining a Business Partner # from PennDOT.

H2O Grant – CSD submitted the application for this grant in December.

Saginaw WWTP NPDES Permit Renewal

CSD is working with staff on the renewal application.

Treasurer's Report

Payment of Invoices – A Nace/Kramlick motion was made to approve payment of invoices as presented by Judy. Motion passed unanimously.

Requisitions – A Nace/Kramlick motion was made to approve requisition 2023-1 to CS Davidson for engineering fees totaling \$25,763.06. Motion passed unanimously.

A Nace/Fisher motion was made to approve requisition 2023-2 to PSI totaling \$28,171.00 for replacement of the suction pipes in the influent wet well at the Mt. Wolf plant. Motion passed unanimously.

Executive Session – At 8:30 PM an Executive Session was held to discuss personnel matters.

Returned to Regular Meeting – 8:55 PM.

Engineering Appointment – It was realized that the engineer was not appointed tonight for 2023. When CSD submits a letter to the Board, they will be able to appoint them at next month's meeting.

Adjourn

At 8:59 PM a Barlett/Hilliard motion was made to adjourn. Motion passed unanimously.

NEXT REGULAR MEETING – Monday, February 27, 2023

