

MARCH 12, 2009

The Jackson/East Taylor Sewer Authority held its regular monthly meeting on March 12, 2009 at the Authority Office. George E. Burkey called the meeting to order with the flag salute. Members present were George E. Burkey, Robert Templeton, Mary Ann Hicks Wendell Gillen and Barry Casella.

Burkey stated that an Executive Session was held after the last meeting to discuss real estate.

PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS: None

CORRESPONDENCE:

Gillen read a letter dated January 20, 2009 from First National Bank offering the Public Funds Money Market Account with funds collateralized under Act 72.

Gillen read a letter from Guyer Brothers Inc., dated March 4, 2009 asking for an extension until July 31, 2009 to complete the work for Cherrywood/Brazil Lane Project Contract #1.

Gillen read a letter dated March 10, 2009 from James Cernansky regarding boring into a manhole for a pressure line sewer tap.

Motion was made by Hicks, seconded by Gillen, to approve the minutes of the February 12th and February 20th, 2009 meeting as presented. Motion carried unanimously. Templeton suggested that all requisitions be ready for the regular monthly meeting so that no special meeting has to be held just to approve the requisitions.

FINANCIAL REPORT: (As of the end of February 28, 2009)

General Fund Balance:	\$72,174.17
Revenue Temporary Fund Balance:	298,129.86
Certificates of Deposit:	245,327.87
Tapping Fees:	309,271.55
Pennvest Loan Balance:	10,115,886.09

Motion was made by Casella, seconded by Templeton, to approve the Treasurer's Report as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT:

Attorney Alex Svirsko Jr. stated that Mr. James Cernansky has been in contact with him regarding our easement from the owners of the real estate across from Summit Chapel Church. Our easement does not touch Rt. 271. Svirsko did work for Mr. Cernansky regarding who the owner of the property is along with sending him a copy of the easement that was signed by the owner. Cernansky now wants to bore into the manhole. Svirsko will provide the Authority with the Open Records forms needed here at the office and for Jackson Township's webpage. Open Records information will need to be sent on to DCED. Svirsko is still reviewing the backhoe lease to purchase agreement and is waiting for Attorney Paul Adler to call him. In the County Code, if it is a lease to purchase then the item has to bid out; however there is nothing in the PA Municipal Authority's Act regarding lease to purchase. If this is part of a Cooperation State Contract Agreement then it can be done and no bid is necessary. The lease is not the problem;

it's the purchase price after the lease buy-out period that may have to be bid. Svirsko is also looking into the smoke testing procedures. As long as the Authority does nothing wrong, we should be alright, but we could look into having the homeowner sign a waiver. Our Insurance Company needs to be called also regarding the Smoke Testing. The Wilson Easement is in their attorney's possession and should be alright now. A few liens are going to be filed for delinquent sewer bills on residents who have wells. Our property has been finally staked out by Keller Engineers. T. Burkey asked if he could push the dirt of the hillside. Svirsko stated that it is the contractor's responsibility to push the dirt over the hill. If the Authority gets dirt from another source then our maintenance personnel can push only that dirt over.

ACCOUNTANT'S REPORT: Dennis Kotzan was absent.

ENGINEER'S REPORT:

Bill Henry from Keller Engineers stated that Dan Carbaugh sent a cost estimate in for the Fords Corner Road Project. George Burkey explained that this Authority has not received anything in regards to the Fords Corner Project other than one letter that came from DEP addressed to the Township. Bids will be opened for the Pump Station Rehab work on April 3, 2009 at 2:00 P.M. Keller Engineers will have a pre-construction workshop at their office for the Pump Station Rehab. Templeton wanted to know if Carbaugh took care of the complaints from last month on the road crossing on Adams and Leidy Lane. Gillen stated that the crossings on Brazil Lane were fixed but are getting bad again. Henry said that he will call both contractors and let them know about the crossings. As soon as the weather breaks, both contractors will be here to take care of the restoration.

INSPECTOR'S REPORT:

Tim Burkey stated that he and Brian Daughenbaugh have lost two more E-One grinder pump cores to motor problems and may need to order two more spare cores. Ron Koch from Gibson Thomas Engineering wanted to know about tapping into our lateral at the pump house at the Saltlick Dam for a catch basin. The Board told Burkey to have Koch put in writing along with a diagram of what they exactly want to accomplish. The pipe that was in our neighbor's yard in the woods was removed and it was not a manhole section. Guyer Brothers wanted to know if it was alright to let the resident's contractor put the stub of pipe into their grinder pump. Carbaugh and three Board Members all agreed that this would be acceptable. Barry Frigot from Trombold Equipment offered to send a service technician to show the maintenance crew how to remove and repair grinder pump motors at no charge, so a hydraulic press was purchased at a price of \$149.00. The new pump was installed at Station #8 and the old pump taken to Ram Industrial for repair. Greg Madia from W.C. Weil will be demonstrating the satellite controlled computer system for the Pump Stations on March 13, 2009 at 9:00 A.M. if any Board Member is interest in attending. Burkey and Daughenbaugh designed a new paint and seal method for painting and sealing the grinder pumps with the new sealant that was purchased. A resident's septic tank lid was damaged during construction and caved in, which has since been repaired.

OLD BUSINESS:

Motion was made by Gillen, seconded by Casella, to table the Grinder Pump Rules and Regulations until Carbaugh has reviewed them. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Casella, seconded by Hicks, to do nothing with the Judicial Sale for a property in East Taylor Township and let it fall where we go in priority for distribution. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Hicks, seconded by Gillen, to leave the Authority's money in PLGIT and not switch to First National Bank. Motion carried unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS:

Motion was made by Casella, seconded by Gillen, to approve the current bills in the amount of \$29,613.60. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Hicks, seconded by Gillen, to approve the time sheets for period ending 02/20/09 and 03/06/09. Motion carried four to one with G. Burkey abstaining.

Motion was made by Gillen, seconded by Casella, to have our Accountant, Treasurer, and Administrative Assistant find the best interest rate for the CD that expires from First Commonwealth Bank. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Hicks, seconded by Templeton, to approve Guyer Brothers Inc. time extension to complete the work for Contract #1 until July 31, 2009.

Motion was made by Templeton, seconded by Burkey, to tentatively approve the Brainard's request to bore into the Manhole on Rt. 271 across from Summit Chapel Church pending our Engineers approval, with final approval given once the actual cost for Attorney, Engineer, and Inspection fees are reimbursed and our Engineer is satisfied with the design. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Templeton, seconded by Casella, to approve Requisition #7 in the amount of \$133,286.63 contingent on an explanation as to why the Authority is paying for a driveway restoration on February's requisition. Motion carried unanimously.

Gillen received a customer complaint about being more specific on the bills as to how to sign up for Direct Debit. The Board said to add come to the office to sign up.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Mr. Gresh from William Penn Avenue had questions and concerns about Brainard's pressure line through Summit Chapel's land and the bore under Rt. 271. Gresh does not want the Long property disturbed.

Motion to adjourn at 8:35 P.M. by Gillen. Seconded by Hicks. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,

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