

**OCTOBER 13, 2011**

The Jackson/East Taylor Sewer Authority held its regular monthly meeting on October 13, 2011 at 7:00 P.M. at the Authority Office. George E. Burkey opened the meeting with the flag salute. Members present were George E. Burkey, Robert Templeton, Daniel Yahnert, Mary Ann Hicks and Donald Ochenrider Jr.

**PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS:**

**CORRESPONDENCE:**

Ochenrider read a letter dated September 2, 2011 from the Johnstown Redevelopment Authority regarding the Flow Monitoring Plan which will begin on January 1, 2012.

Motion was made by Hicks, second by Ochenrider, to approve the minutes of the September 8, 2011 meeting as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

**FINANCIAL REPORT:** (As of September 30, 2011)

General Fund Balance:	\$63,259.62
Revenue Temporary Fund Balance:	238,165.76
Money Market Account Balance:	180,615.00
Pennvest Old Loan Balance:	8,786,962.57
Pennvest New Loan Balance:	2,417,560.95

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

**SOLICITOR'S REPORT:**

Attorney Alex Svirsko stated that he has the agreement with Slovenian Savings & Loan which will need to be signed regarding extending the loan documents until December 31, 2011. Carbaugh asked Svirsko to call Pennvest again to try to get the funding re-encumbrance moving. Pennvest is blaming the Engineer for not entering the amounts correctly, but the Pennvest computer program will not allow the Engineer to enter or change any of the amounts. Svirsko tried to get a conference call with Karen Dellinger with Pennvest and the Engineer but she was not too pleasant. Svirsko wrote a letter to Pennvest stating all the facts and asked if they could cut a check the old way so that we can close out this loan. Svirsko was approached about the 2RC or approved equal in our Rules and Regulations regarding the bedding of the pipe. What is approved equal? Svirsko feels that this needs clarified. Svirsko talked to Bill Barbin, solicitor for Jackson Township, and he stated that with Jackson Township residents going into different sewage plants each one requires different re-sale tests. If JETSA wants a pressure test only on re-sale of real estate then it must be approved by the Township in a resolution. Svirsko talked with a gentleman who was dumping into our system which helped flush our main lines that were clogged. Svirsko stated that if JETSA is going to continue to dump, that we need to contact the City of Johnstown and make arrangement with them on where we are dumping and how much. G. Burkey stated that he has told our maintenance personnel that if a main line is clogged that

they need to pump down the water from our wet wells and flush our lines with our own water. Svirsko has received nothing from Johnstown Regional Authority regarding our letter that was sent.

**ACCOUNTANT'S REPORT:** Dennis Kotzan was absent.

**ENGINEER'S REPORT:**

Dan Carbaugh of Keller Engineers was absent but sent a memo stating that Pennvest still needs to allocate the funds to the project and sent along the e-mail from Pennvest that they received. Carbaugh will let us know as soon as they hear anything from Pennvest. Carbaugh has talked to Bruce Graham of Gibson Thomas, the Johnstown Water Authority's Engineer and Mike Long Jr. of Robinson Pipe Cleaning who will be doing the work at the Saltlick manholes in Mineral Point. Robinson is planning on starting soon and will contact Carbaugh and T. Burkey before they start.

**INSPECTOR'S REPORT:**

Brian Daughenbaugh stated that he and Tim Burkey installed the tap for Gillin on Saddle Street. Gillin is going to purchase a Myers grinder pump from the Authority since he hit solid rock. Batteries were purchased for the '93 Truck and the Crane Truck. A new panic bar and handle were installed on the front door of the office. The fence was moved at Station #10 and a base has been started. This will make it easier to plow at Station #10. Since the pressure test deadline has been extended the testing has slowed down. Lieb plans on starting the line extension next week on Leidy Lane. The '93 truck needs a new oil pan installed and Burkey is looking to find a garage to take the truck for repairs.

**OLD BUSINESS:** None

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Motion was made by Templeton, second by Yahnert, to pay the current bills in the amount of \$8,736.71 with the exception of the \$750.00 from Keller Engineers for the Mineral Point Road Project authorizing our solicitor to send a letter to PADot for reimbursement. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Hicks, second by Templeton, to approve the time sheets for periods ending 09/16/11 & 09/30/11. Motion carried by four with G. Burkey abstaining.

Due to the time constraints, a phone poll was made to the Board members regarding entering into an agreement with OnDemand Energy Solutions to lock into a lower electric rate of 7.50. To ratify the phone poll, motion was made by Ochenrider, second by Templeton, to enter into an agreement with OnDemand Energy Solutions for a lower electric rate of 7.50 thru June 2013. Motion carried unanimously.

A budget workshop needs to be scheduled for the end of October with the Accountant, Chairman and Treasurer.

Motion was made by Yahnert, second by Hicks, to change the Rules and Regulations to read 2B Stone instead of 2RC or approved equal on the bedding of pipe. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Ochenrider, second by Hicks, to authorize the Chairman to sign the document with Slovenian Savings and Loan extending the loan until December 31, 2011. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Yahnert, second by Hicks, to change the wording on the Re-Sale Ordinance to state pressure test only to be approved by Jackson Township by Resolution. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Burkey, second by Yahnert, to authorize our solicitor to send a letter to FWF Insurance regarding the statement on the audit report. Motion carried unanimously.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

Edward Smith of Jackson Township talked about the pressure testing of service laterals again and feels that JETSA over reacted and is holding its customers to a higher standard than other municipalities who are also mandated by the State. G. Burkey stated that JETSA has to protect our own system and since the pressure testing has started our Pump Stations have not gone into high level alarms which are a savings in electric bills, a savings in not having to pump down stations and less wear on the pumps. Mr. Smith thanked the Board Members for their public service and stated that it is much appreciated.

Motion to adjourn at 8:15 P.M. by Ochenrider. Second by Templeton. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

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