

**MARCH 13, 2014**

The Jackson/East Taylor Sewer Authority held its regular monthly meeting on March 13, 2014 at 7:00 P.M. at the Authority Office. George E. Burkey called the meeting to order with the flag salute. Members present were George E. Burkey, Robert Templeton, and Daniel Yahnert. Donald Ochenrider was absent.

**REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING:**

**PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS:** None was made.

**CORRESPONDENCE:** None.

Motion was made by Yahnert, second by Templeton to approve the minutes of the February 13, 2014 meeting as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

**FINANCIAL REPORT:** (As of February 28, 2014)

General Fund Balance:	\$ 78,151.98
Revenue Temporary Fund Balance:	138,375.65
Money Market Account Balance:	425,188.76
Capital Expenditures-Saving Balance:	1,746.52
Pennvest Old Loan Balance:	7,512,322.34
Pennvest New Loan Balance:	2,363,715.81

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

**SOLICITOR’S REPORT:**

Alex Svirsko did not get a chance to look at the rules about the sell at the Kingdom Hall and the grinder pump. They will definitely need to fill out a new application to equal number of employees. He will look into this further.

AS stated that if the old crane truck is worth more than a certain amount then it has to be bid off. AS also said that he is playing phone tag with Deetscreek about the turning their house from 3 apartment’s to 1. AS said that he did take care of some liens for some of the customers with really high bills.

Alex is suggesting that JETSA take over the storm water management in our area, and thinks the board should really look into considering this. AS also suggests that JETSA keep track of grinder pumps for all customers who have one in their file. To note when they break, need replaced, etc.

Alex brought up the agreement that is to be signed by Jackson Township, Jackson Township Water, and JETSA and said that we need to check with our insurance companies to make sure our employees are covered when doing other work for any of the two buildings. BT asked if another employee from any other authority or township is driving our crane truck, would they be covered. AS said they should be under auto as long as they have our permission. This will be looked into further and Alex said about typing up a new agreement to sign.

### **ACCOUNTANT'S REPORT:**

Dennis Kotzan was absent.

### **ENGINEER'S REPORT:**

Dan Carbaugh from Keller Engineers said they need to check on the information for DeRubis' property with tapping in.

DC said that the CFA program has a little bit of money, and they are only funding old projects at this time. Dave @ Keller's is looking to see where JETSA is on the list.

Dan said that maybe if a holding tank could go up for the Fords Corner project for any possible business's that would be a good idea. Then we could pick up the sewage after the business is there.

### **INSPECTOR'S REPORT:**

Tim Burkey said that Pump Stations 8,9,11, and 12 were all worked on. Two pumps are at WC Weil for repair, one from Station 12 and one from Station 8.

The grinder pump at the Evans residence on Benshoff Hill Rd. was replaced again. TB stated that they found a severe tank leak. The area was too wet to patch so AS wrote up an easement for the customer to sign to install a French drain. The drain is working well, and restoration will need completed when the weather is better.

TB also stated that the Odor control units are here from W.C. Weil, and will be installed when weather breaks.

TB said they repaired all the brakes on the 94 F-350, but the truck is falling apart. An order to Trombold Equip. for a grinder pump part will be coming soon, and it will be big bill.

Tim said he received a call from Mark with the EADS group and they would like JETSA to attend a workshop with Johnstown City Council March 18, 2014. The City is considering repealing the air test ordinance. EADS would like us to be there to present facts and figures from our air testing. GB, TB and AS are going to show them the testing works because if they repeal the air test then that means they would have to build another treatment plant which in turn would make everyone's bill increase.

Alex is going to send a letter to City Council of Johnstown telling them they should not repeal the air test. It is not fair to any of our customers or any other township that went through all of this to test.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

NONE.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Motion was made by Burkey, second by Yahnert to approve the bills in the amount of \$11,550.42. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Templeton, second by Yahnert to approve the time sheets for period ending 02/15/14 and 03/01/14 as presented. Motion carried by two with G. Burkey abstaining.

Motion was made by G. Burkey, second by Yahnert to find a truck through COSTARS to purchase for JETSA. Motion carried by two with Templeton opposing.

Motion was made by Templeton, second by G. Burkey to approve the purchase a new computer for the office. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Templeton , second by Yahnert for Alex to write a letter to the City of Johnstown and cc it to DEP, JRA, Jackson Township, East Taylor Township, any other townships and boroughs involved. Motion carried unanimously.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

Customers Robert and Marge Harshman were angry about having to pay the abatement fee to stop their sewage bill. Their water has been off since December, but they have never come in to fill out the abatement application and pay the fee. JETSA's rules and regulations say to stop the sewer bill the customer must pay an abatement fee of \$30. Customers do this all the time if selling a house or going away for an extended period of time. The board and Alex explained to her why we have this abatement fee in place. They agreed to pay the fee and to make payments until the balance is paid off.

Motion to adjourn at 8:20 p.m. by Templeton. Second by Yahnert. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

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