

**APRIL 12, 2012**

The Jackson/East Taylor Sewer Authority held its regular monthly meeting on April 12, 2012 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, Mary Ann Hicks, Daniel Yahnert and Donald Ochenrider Jr.

**PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS:** None

**CORRESPONDENCE:** None

Motion was made by Hicks, second by Ochenrider, to approve the minutes of the March 8, and March 23, 2012 meeting as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

**FINANCIAL REPORT:** (As of March 31, 2012)

General Fund Balance:	\$127,380.03
Revenue Temporary Fund Balance:	178,193.71
Money Market Account Balance:	421,204.64
Pennvest Old Loan Balance:	8,525,764.17
Pennvest New Loan Balance:	2,639,912.11 (shows increase in funding)

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

**SOLICITOR'S REPORT:**

Attorney Alex Svirsko Jr. stated that he visited a real estate property in Jackson Township where water coming from another property is washing out a road and this resident feels that it is following our sewer line. Kotzan contacted Svirsko in regards to the Audit Report and Svirsko stated there are no outstanding law suits which would have an effect on the financial status of the audit. Svirsko would like to look into the Municipal Authority's Act in regards to the Authority enacting a resolution regarding the pressure testing on resale of real estate, and enforcing a summary judgment action. This might be an avenue the Authority can take under the Municipal Authority Act.

**ACCOUNTANT'S REPORT:**

Dennis Kotzan stated that the 2011 Audit Report has been completed and there were no findings or management letter. Last year's recommendations were followed by the Authority which included more involvement with the internal control by the Board. Kotzan reviewed and explained the 2011 Audit Report with the Board Members regarding the assets, depreciation and cash flow. Money received in 2011 was paid out plus our cash flow decreased by \$53,800.00.

**ENGINEER'S REPORT:**

Dan Carbaugh of Keller Engineers stated that the Brazil/Cherrywood and Pump Station Rehab Pennvest Project is finally completed and all the money has been dispersed. The restoration at

Pump Station #5 is moving along. The manholes were all restored and BCS is doing the pump station repair. BCS had the wrong epoxy material for the wet well and were told they had to get a different epoxy material. G. Burkey asked if there is any damage to the other manholes or stations upstream caused by this chemical. T. Burkey stated that he could not see any damage to the pump stations but the first manhole showed a slight wear. Carbaugh and Burkey met with PADot regarding the Mineral Point Road work. The road will be closed the summer of 2013 for two months which will not allow us to get to Pump Station #5 if there is an emergency. Carbaugh stated that there is six to eight feet of cover from the slide onto our forced main line in different areas, plus trees have been knocked down across our force main line. If the Authority had to get in there to repair the force main line, there is so much cover over our line that it would take days to get to the line. Also there is a huge rock that shifted about eighteen inches and there is a fresh crack that you can see straight down about two feet and our main line is only four feet down. Carbaugh is to write a letter to PADot's Engineer regarding our concerns about the debris covering our force main along Mineral Point Road.

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

Tim Burkey stated that he and Carbaugh went to the meeting along Mineral Point Road regarding the repair work, and supplied the Board Members with minutes from the meeting. The new camera is here from A & H Equipment but are still waiting for a few accessories. G. Burkey, T. Burkey, B. Daughenbaugh and N. Oleksa went to the PRWA conference at Penn State and some of the classes were very informative. Some new products were found in the exhibit hall which could save us some money in the future. Carl and David Smith, of Jackson Water, helped with inspection during the two days we were at the conference. BCS Construction started Pump Station #5 work and are making good progress. At the recommendation of Carbaugh the first upstream manhole was checked from Pump Station #5 and the trough has a slight wear on the cement. Burkey would like to epoxy the trough as a precaution. The pressure tests are still being done. Burkey would like to have a time limit for residents that are under contract and to clarify the under contract provision. Burkey would also like to have a half or partial completed pressure test be considered as under contract. Yahnert does not want to discourage anyone that is working on their sewer lateral by imposing the \$25.00 surcharge. One quote came in on the fire alarm system. This company wanted to know if we wanted a security alarm system included with the fire alarm. The Board told Burkey to get prices on both.

#### **OLD BUSINESS:**

The real estate mortgage on this property has been paid in full as of April 1, 2012.

Motion was made by Hicks, second by Yahnert, not to borrow the money for the camera from PRWA on the lease program. Kotzan estimated that the interest rate on the loan was around 5%. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Templeton, second by Ochenrider, to table the East Taylor Resale Ordinance until our Solicitor can look into the Municipal Authority's Act regarding the Authority passing a resolution on the Resale Pressure Test. Motion carried unanimously.

On recommendation from our Solicitor, the Authority is going to do nothing regarding the Winkelman Lien Petition. Svirsko stated that if there is any money available it will be divided proportionally.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Motion was made by Ochenrider, second by Templeton, to approve payment of the current bills in the amount of \$17,188.49. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Hicks, second by Templeton, to approve the time sheets for periods ending 03/16/12 and 03/30/12. Motion carried by four with G. Burkey abstaining.

Motion was made by Yahnert, second by Hicks, to close out the checking account that was used during construction with Slovenian Savings & Loan Association. Motion carried unanimously.

Burkey opened the floor for Public Comment on next item. None was made.

Motion was made by Templeton, second by Hicks, that if a resident is under contract to have their sewer lateral repaired and has proof in writing, the Authority will delay the \$25.00 surcharge implementation until July 31, 2012. However, if the sewer lateral is not completed and in compliance by July 31, 2012, the \$25.00 surcharge will be retroactive back to July 1, 2012. Motion carried by four with Yahnert opposing.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

Mr. and Mrs. Michael Plows of East Taylor are more than 150 feet from the main sewer line and would like to tap into the system. They have a fourteen foot right-of-way from their property line to road and want to know where the Authority would install the tap. The Board explained that we would come across the road and install the tap at the bottom of the driveway and they would have to come to us from there.

John and Larry Sirko from Jalko Trailer Park had questions regarding pressure testing the main lines and laterals at the Trailer Park and also wanted to know about the two houses that are also tapped into their system. John Sirko wanted to know why the Authority took over Leisure Village and not Jalko. Burkey stated that the Board made that decision years ago.

Motion to adjourn at 8:30 P.M. by Ochenrider. Second by Hicks. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

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