

JOINT MUNICIPAL SEWER AUTHORITY

November 2, 2023

Meeting Minutes

Officers & others present: John Keefe, Ed Hetzel, Dave Smith, Samantha Hoover, Doug Smith, Authority consulting engineer, Bill Lawrence, WGL, and Steve Rowe, LDG.

Public Sign-in sheet on file

Keefe opened tonight's meeting with the pledge to the Flag.

Public thanked everyone for the good work.

Minutes from both October meetings were reviewed. Dave Smith made a motion to accept the minutes as presented, seconded by Ed Hetzel.

Financials were tabled until next month's meeting due to accounting software issues.

Monthly invoices were reviewed by the board.

Brad Smith from Aquatech states that most of the service calls were from start ups and amperage issues. The contactors are getting tripped in the control panels. Dave Smith suggests having the board look into this issue because the panels were purchased as packages from the supplier.

Ed Hetzel made a motion to pay the bills seconded by Dave Smith and all in favor.

Steve reported dealing with corrosion issue on the screener.

Shaun has been out. He ordered equipment to test for sulfide. Agreement with Doug to figure out where to put the treatment until we have an idea where the concentrations are. Can't design anything until we have an idea based on samples.

Discussion on flow meter to tie into Scada to get accurate flow readings.

Pulling together list to get to Doug from municipalities for flushing stations.

Balancing change order – change order #16 has been revised to reflect the approved change order #3 amount which was approved out of sequence. It is the final quantities adjustment. Sign and submit to Steve.

Doug went to see residents with restoration issues.

Draft PDS submitted, DEP is writing up the final permit for it.

Our annual loading permits of total nitrogen and phosphorous. Have to get credits if we are releasing any. Anyone who built a house before 2003 we'll get credits for each year. Apply for the credits when everyone gets connected.

Issue on Shore Drive and Holbrook Road with high pressure. Flushed Holbrook down to Lake Carey Inn on Shore drive. Significant amount of air in the lines. Doug suggests making a pressure cage to fit on the air release or go to a flushing connection so we can see what the pressure is compared to the LDG design figures.

Shadowbrook - Dave and Doug met with two contractors at Shadowbrook and they are having an issue with their sewer and would like to haul and pump into our system. They are looking for an emergency permit from DEP to get a line to connect to our system.

Doug – flushing stations – concerned the way they are now close to surface and casting could be hit by a snow plow and also freezing. Prototype that is built. Remove the valve and move the valve deeper.

Steve – change order survey for the GIS guy to submit to the county. John Keefe made a motion to approve Amendment 10 seconded by Dave Smith.

Dave Smith asked if we are in the 811 system. Doug will follow up on that.

Have an issue that was brought up by Becky. Three invoices in red – The three invoices are for design work. They are not under PennVest design loan. LDG approved design contract original with Amendments 1-4; suspect ran out of contingency. Amount of money for design phase for coverage under design grant. Used PennVest for PennVest eligible vendors. Submitted to PennVest for engineering was 574. Approved amount exceeded PennVest portal. Accounting issue to be worked out.

Late fee as stated in Regs – request to revise – brief discussion. Regulations will not be revised.

32 Marina bills provided to Authority – regarding dispute with Harger. John Keefe made a motion not to pay the bill seconded by Dave Smith.

Request to purchase coupon books for Monthly billing - Spencer Printing – Brief discussion and tabled until next meeting.

Request to purchase Core Utilities program for billing, tracking – Brief discussion and tabled until next meeting.

Old Carter Barn – commercial? – Doug Smith to write a letter from the authority documenting what they initially wanted to do with the property to what he wants to do now. Samantha Hoover made a motion to write the letter, seconded by Dave Smith and all in favor.

With the close of business, Keefe made a motioned to adjourn, Smith seconded, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:50 pm.

Samantha Hoover, board member

Date