

The regular meeting of the Monroe Township Municipal Authority was called to order by Vice Chairperson Sunday.

The Pledge of Allegiance was said.

ATTENDANCE

Doug Stouffer, Treasurer
Sue Sunday, Vice Chairperson
Ronald Eckerd, Secretary

Michael Pykosh, Solicitor
Mark Bruening, Engineer
Karen Lowery, Recording Secretary

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Carl Kuhl, 153 Brindle Road, stated that Mr. Bruening was kind enough to share a copy of the Electro Scan report with him to review. He had a few questions, have any of the leaks been dug up to find out the problem, would these leaks be indicative of the overages from inflow we are seeing during heavy rains, and what is the desire or cost to remediate these problems.

MINUTES

On the motion of Mr. Stouffer , and seconded by Mr. Eckerd, and by unanimous vote of the members it was duly RESOLVED to approve the minutes of the August 19, 2015 regular meeting.

OPERATIONS REPORT

Mr. Eckerd commented that the Mechanicsburg is a newer area, how do we know how much flow could be from sump pumps? Mr. Bruening stated that we don't know. The township could do home to home inspections looking for connections and checking where sump pumps discharge. He feels there are some sump pumps connected, but some of the problem is also ground water levels.

On the motion of Mr. Stouffer, and seconded by Mr. Eckerd, and by unanimous vote of the members it was duly RESOLVED to approve the Operations Report for August.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Mr. Eckerd questioned what the money for public safety was. Ms. Lowery stated sewer south borrowed money from public safety and this was now all paid back.

Mr. Eckerd stated that he spoke with Ms. Lowery about the balance sheet. He is calculating total fund amounts. He had a question with the liability regarding the 2011 Bond – All Service and how to break down the total amount into sections for North, South and Dillsburg. Ms. Lowery has a breakdown sheet that she will send over to Mr. Eckerd. Mr. Pykosh added that Dillsburg is retiring their portion of the bond.

On the motion of Mr. Eckerd, and seconded by Mr. Stouffer, and by unanimous vote of the members it was duly RESOLVED to approve the Financial Report.

LIEN/DEBT REPORT

On the motion of Mr. Stouffer, and seconded by Mr. Eckerd, and by unanimous vote of the members it was duly RESOLVED to approve the Lien/Debt Report.

CAPACITY REPORT

On the motion of Mr. Stouffer, and seconded by Mr. Eckerd, and by unanimous vote of the members it was duly RESOLVED to accept the Capacity Report.

Mr. Kuhl questioned if it is possible to renegotiate with SMTMA to increase available capacity in the southern district. Ms. Sunday and Mr. Bruening explained that we could purchase additional capacity, but we would also have to renegotiate our contract with them. There would also be extra costs that the township would be responsible to pay for additional capacity. If a developer came in the township could be the broker between the developer and SMTMA to purchase additional capacity for a specific development. All costs and fees of doing this would be the developer's responsibility.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT

Mr. Pykosh state that he has started transferring liens to judgements, then is able to move to foreclosures or sheriff sales if directed to. Two residents have been served by the sheriff and both have made a payment and entered into payment plans. The sheriff currently has a few more residents to serve, but he hasn't heard that they have been done yet. The water shut off process had one resident who received a final notice, and they have entered into a payment plan. There have been no new liens added in the water shut off areas. Ms. Lowery did give him a few new liens to file, but these are for residents who had payment plans and have not kept up with them.

Mr. Pykosh will be sending letters to mortgage companies notifying them of the foreclosure information and the judgement will supersede the mortgage. The homeowner will have time to object. Mr. Pykosh is hopeful that the banks will pay off and tack onto the mortgage. There are two properties that do not have mortgages that could be listed for sheriff's sale if so directed.

ENGINEER'S REPORT

Mr. Bruening reviewed the Engineer Report dated September 9, 2015.

Mr. Bruening stated that we are going to be cutting very close with the new pumps for Leidigh. The pumps are to be delivered in mid-October. The contractor has offered his portable pump if needed.

OLD BUSINESS

PUMP STATION PHONE LINES

The matter was tabled until the October meeting.

ELECTRO SCAN REPORT

Mr. Bruening reviewed the Electro Scan Demonstration packet that was provided for a demonstration that was done in White Rock on May 27th. There was discussion by the Board needed repairs and costs to fix the issues. A suggestion was made to find the ten worst problems and be ready to package those repairs when a grant becomes available.

The Board discussed moving forward with the Asset Management Committee and what needed to be done. Mr. Pykosh suggested the Municipal Authority lay out a plan with volunteers and what tasks will need done and then make a recommendation to the Supervisors.

On the motion of Mr. Eckerd, and seconded by Mr. Stouffer, and by unanimous vote of the members it was duly RESOLVED to identify the Asset Management Committee and make a recommendation to the Supervisors.

Mr. Kuhl asked when the Asset Management will be ready to go into effect. Mr. Bruening said this will be a minimum three year project. Ms. Sunday added that it depends on the number of volunteers and their availability.

Mr. Kuhl asked if there are requirements to be on the Asset Management Committee. Ms. Sunday said they would need to be able to read a map and/or enter information into a database.

NEW BUSINESS

NORTHERN CAPITAL PROJECT FUND

Mr. Pykosh provided a response from Paul Lundeen, Bond Council, in regards to the left over monies from the plant upgrade. Three options were given: 1) use money to pay on the principal of the bond; 2) use money toward problem areas or repairs; 3) refund the unused portion.

Mr. Bruening stated that the Northern Capacity Fund is in good shape and is growing due to new development. It might make sense to use this money to pay toward the principal. Ms. Sunday said the Northern district has a good cushion and feels using this to pay principal would be best.

Ms. Sunday feels that Mr. Miller should be part of this decision, so this matter was tabled until the next meeting.

DEER ROAD CCTV

Mr. Bruening stated he had email the Municipal Authority and Supervisors two price quotes to televise sewer line on Deer Road where a problem has been detected. USG provided the lowest price of \$55/foot and \$175 per lateral.

On motion of Mr. Eckerd, and seconded by Mr. Stouffer, and by unanimous vote of the members it was duly RESOLVED to approve the quote provided by USG to televise Deer Road.

ADJOURN

On the motion of Mr. Stouffer, and seconded by Mr. Eckerd and by unanimous vote of the members it was duly RESOLVED to adjourn the meeting at 8:35 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Karen M. Lowery
Recording Secretary