

LOWER POTTS GROVE TOWNSHIP AUTHORITY FEBRUARY 10, 2020

The Lower Pottsgrove Township Authority held their regular monthly meeting on Monday, February 10, 2020. The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. The following attended:

James Toth –Chairman	Edward Wagner, Manager
Cody Robbins-Vice Chairman	Chad Camburn, Engineer
James Vlahos, Treasurer	Stephen Kalis, Solicitor
Mark Loshnowsky, Secretary	Tim Watson
Sean Pence	

Mr. Toth announced that the meeting was being recorded.

APPROVAL OF AUTHORITY MINUTES: Mr. Pence made a motion to approve the January 13, 2020 meeting minutes and Mr. Robbins seconded the motion, and all unanimously approved by a 5-0 vote.

COMMENTS FROM VISITORS: None

OLD BUSINESS:

Update on Water Quality Permit for Sanatoga Lake Pump Station—Mr. Wagner reported that we did get the water quality permit on January 30, 2020. Mr. Wagner went over the some of the special conditions attached to the permit with the Board. He said that we are moving along and that he passed this on to Sanatoga Green Officials.

Update on the Woodland Drive Sewer Main—Mr. Wagner stated the project went out to bid on January 30, 2020. We have a pre-construction meeting schedule for this Thursday at 10:00am to meet with various contractors, it is not a required mandatory meeting. The bids are schedule to be open on February 27, 2020. The bid results should be available by our next meeting in March.

Update on televising of private laterals for N. Valley Sewer Main Project---Mr. Wagner reported that Sewer Specialty Services televised all the laterals on N. Valley Road and Valley Court. The results found were seven private laterals had some root balls, and 1 with a slight sag in the line. We have heard from six of seven residents that they were very appreciative that we televised their lateral, and two of the residents expressed a strong interest in replacing their laterals. He was really pleased with the response from the residents.

Discussion Pottstown Borough Authority Meeting—Mr. Wagner stated the only update is that the Borough hired a new Finance Director and she will be meeting this Thursday.

Developers Discussion & Update--CAP/CMP Report # 26 and Engineering Report:

Mr. Camburn read his CAP/CMP and Engineering Report for the month of January 2020 updating the Authority Board on the sewer projects in the Township. He highlighted the following:

CAP / CMP

- Prepared monthly CAP Report
- SSS, Inc. televised 25 laterals during January 2020 in the N. Valley Road area
- There are currently 99 EDU's to allocate
- There was one significant rain event over 1" on January 25, 2020 (1.99")

Sanatoga Lake Pump Station

- Santoga Lake Pump Station Water Quality Permit---The PADEP issued Permit #4606402 with the following capacities:
 - Design Capacity (Peak Flow): 2,000 GPM
 - Annual Average Flow: 0.80 MGD
 - Peaking Factor: 3.6
- **PA Small Water & Sewer 2019**-we have completed the grant application for improvements in the Shire Drive area. The application is for \$368,175 in grant funds and includes replacing 1,835 LF of sewer mains, 90 LF of laterals and 8 manholes in open space. The Authority's matching funds would be approximately \$65,000. The application will be submitted this week and we anticipate awards will be selected at the CFA's March or May 2020 meeting.
- **2020 CDBG**-Although the program has not been opened yet, we anticipate funding will be available for projects up to \$250,000, and applications will be due in March for funding in 2021.

Developments

- **Spring Valley Farms (Phase 1)**—Complete with sanitary sewers
- **Spring Valley Farms (Phase 2)**—Complete with sanitary sewers
- **Spring Valley Farms (Phase 3)** Site work, sanitary sewer, and stormwater work is nearly complete. The improvements to Bleim Road and Pleasantview Road are nearly complete.
- **Sanatoga Green**- A draft Operation and Maintenance agreement has been reviewed for O&M of the private sewers. Land Development and sewer review letters of Phase 1 final plans were issued on January 23,2020. Phase 2 and 3 final plans and escrow estimates for all phases, are currently under review.

Capital Projects

- **North Valley Road Sewer Replacement-PA Small Water & Sewer**
The project includes replacing approximately 1,357 LF of sewer main, 600 LF of laterals and 7 manholes in N. Valley Road. This project will be partially funded with \$420,000 PA Small Water & Sewer grant. The grant will expire at the end of June 2021.
- **Woodland Drive Sewer Replacement**
Discussed under Old Business

Proposed Connections

- **729 Rupert Road**- the owner is proposing to connect to the existing sewer main in Duckworth Drive via low pressure force main. Comments on the easement documents were sent to the design engineer on February 3, 2020.
- **351 Kennedy Court & 1630 Orlando Road**—The owners are proposing to connect to the existing sewer main on Continental Drive through the lands owned by the Southview Development. Additional sewage planning information was sent to the PADEP on October 18, 2019. The PADEP is requiring either separate force mains servicing the individual properties or an Operation and Maintenance Agreement between the property owner and the LPTA.
- **Rita's Water Ice**- The owner wants to connect to the public sewer system located within an easement in the Pottsgrove School District property by installing a grinder pump and a low-pressure force main along School Lane. A Sewage Facilities Planning Module applicant is being prepared by the design engineer.

NEW BUSINESS:

Motion to award N. Valley Road Sewer Main Project---Mr. Pence made the motion to award the N. Valley Road Sewer Main Project to Joao & Bradley Construction Co. in the amount of \$419,700.00 and Mr. Loshnowsky seconded the motion and all unanimously by 5-0 vote.

Motion to award the lighting upgrades at Porter/Sanatoga Pump Stations---Mr. Wagner explained that part of the 2020 Capital Projects is to upgrade the Porter Road and Sanatoga Lake Pump Stations lighting to LED. He said Mr. Watson was able to get prices from BSI Contractors, and a few others. We budgeted \$10,000.00 for each pump station and BSI came in as the lowest bidder at \$16,840.00 for both pump stations. We will also be looking into applying for a PECO Grant Program for incentives to upgrade to LED lighting, this will help with the costs if we are approved for the grant. Mr. Robbins made a motion to award the lighting upgrades for Porter Road and Sanatoga Pump Stations to BSI Contractors in the amount of \$16,840.00 and Mr. Vlahos seconded the motion, and all unanimously approved by a 5-0 vote.

2020-2021 Corrective Action Plan with PADEP—Mr. Wagner said he met with Mr. Camburn and Mr. Watson on Thursday morning to review the Corrective Action plan for the years 2020-2021. He said we made some additions and deletions to some items we felt were most cost efficient and wanted a plan that realistically meet its goals. He said we are trying to be proactive with a plan, and our main goal is to be able to obtain more EDU's.

February 10, 2020 FINANCIAL REPORT

I. TREASURERS REPORT:

Mr. Vlahos read the Treasurers Report dated February 10, 2020

SEWER REVENUE ACCOUNT	\$3,902,963.34
CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT RESERVE	\$ 591,033.22

A motion was made by Mr. Loshnowsky and seconded by Mr. Robbins and all unanimously approved by a 5-0 vote to approve the Treasurer's Report dated February 10,2020.

II. **BILLS FOR PAYMENT**

Mr. Kalis read the Bills for Payment as presented:

CAPITAL BILLS

SEWER CAPITAL RESERVE PLGIT

BURSICH ASSOCIATES-I&I CONTRACT	\$ 3,636.25
BURSICH ASSOCIATES-Sunnyside	\$ 1,739.50
BURSICH ASSOCIATES-N Valley Rd	\$ 1,395.00
BURSICH ASSOCIATES-Woodland Dr	\$ 9,429.00
FOX ROTHSCHILD	\$ 1,311.00
PRO BUILT TOOLS-Camera	\$ 4,287.00
TECHNICAL DEVICES INC-5 Modem Locations	\$ 8,639.92

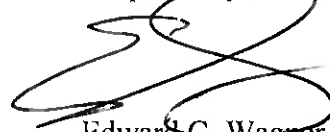
OPERATING ACCT PAYMENTS

BURSICH ASSOCIATES	None
FOX ROTHSCHILD, LLP	\$ 1,216.00
BOROUGH OF POTTSTOWN-1ST QTR	\$ 128,256.00

A motion was made by Mr. Vlahos and seconded by Mr. Loshnowsky and all unanimously approved by a 5-0 vote to approve the bills for payment dated February 10, 2020.

Mr. Pence motioned to adjourn the public meeting. The public meeting adjourned at 6:44 pm. The next meeting is scheduled for March 9, 2020 at 6:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted,



Edward C. Wagner
Authority Manager