

LOWER POTTS GROVE TOWNSHIP AUTHORITY MARCH 13, 2017

The Lower Pottsgrove Township Authority held their regularly scheduled meeting on Monday, March 13, 2017 the meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. The following attended:

Cody Robbins, Vice Chairman
Mark Loshnowsky, Secretary
Dave Richards, Treasurer
Jim Vlahos

Edward Wagner, Manager
Chad Camburn, Engineer
Kathy Kurtas

James Toth, Chairman (Absent)
Stephen Kalis, Solicitor (Absent)

Mr. Robbins announced that the meeting was being recorded.

APPROVAL OF AUTHORITY MINUTES: Mr. Richards motioned to approve the minutes of February 13, 2017 and Mr. Loshnowsky seconded the motion and all unanimously approved by a 4-0 vote.

COMMENTS FROM VISITORS: NONE

OLD BUSINESS:

Discussion on Sanatoga Green EDU Proposal---Mr. Wagner reported that Mr. Camburn is reviewing all the water records that Sanatoga Green presented at the February 13, 2017 meeting. Mr. Wagner provided in the Authority packets a chart for their review which included a breakdown of the current rates based on the resolution as well as Sanatoga Green proposal. This shows a significant savings to the developer Mr. Wagner stated that Mr. Camburn will have an update for the Authority at the April 10th meeting.

Discussion on Borough Authority March 2, 2017 Meeting----Mr. Wagner reported that the Pottstown Borough Authority pushed back the purchase of the new dryer to 2018 based on the letter that was sent on February 17, 2017. The only aspect of the project they will be working on is the design and the required DEP permit. The cost is approximately \$60,000.00 for the 2017 fourth quarter so our share based on our 26.28% is approximately \$15,800.00. Mr. Wagner said that they understood that it was an unfunded expense and all the municipalities involved agreed. Mr. Wagner then reviewed some of the budgets and expenses for 2016 with the Authority Board indicating that by the end of the year they are projecting our flows to be approximately 29.58% with last year being 25.77%. Mr. Camburn is currently working on these calculations and if these numbers are true we would owe the Borough \$43,801.00. If our flows would have stayed the same in 2015 we would receive a credit of \$18,242.00. Mr. Camburn will give us an update at the April 10th meeting.

Sewer Engineering Report---Mr. Camburn reported some of the highlights of the report for the past month:

A list of needed sewer repairs was prepared and reviewed with the LPTA's Operator for distribution to the contractor and scheduling. The list includes the following:

- 60 pipe runs that will need repair
- 4 manholes that need to be repair

Mr. Camburn said the repairs are broken down by type of repair, where they need to be repaired and by priority as well as the pump station that they drain to.

- Completed the semi-annual CAP report and submitted to DEP
- Completed the annual Chapter 94 report and submitted it to DEP

Mr. Camburn explained to the Authority Board that this is an annual report containing a summary of work completed, flows, scheduled work and EDU credit status for 2016 as well as a projection over the next two and five years. He explained that is sent to the Borough and it gets packaged with all the other Pottsgrove's including the Borough and then sent to DEP for their review. Mr. Camburn gave a brief summary of what the report includes and that the analysis has to been done on the highest peak flows. In February 2016 during a severe storm the flows were almost double the other months on a gallon per day basis in 2016. The capacity at Sanatoga Lake Pump station for example is 2200 gallons per minute based on the rate of capacity and with future upgrades will be 2800 gallons per minute. The peak flows for 2016 were 3200 gallons per minute which is about 1000 gallons per minute at its peak over its design capacity. Mr. Camburn conveyed the projection on future flows which included an estimated I & I reduction of 5% over the next 2 years. He said that in 2016 we sent about 11% of I & I to the treatment plant and we need to continue working to remediate. Mr. Camburn asked if there were any questions.

Mr. Vlahos asked if there was any comparison on the I & I over the years and is it decreasing. Mr. Camburn responded by giving some examples of the past years and said it is trending downward because of all the work we have completed to remediate I & I.

NEW BUSINESS:

Windhaven Estates 9- EDU Allocation----Mr. Wagner reported that Windhaven Estates located at 2917 E. High Street are permitted to have 79 trailer units based on their recorded plan. They currently have 68 trailer units and want to expand to 77 trailer units. Windhaven is currently paying for 68 EDU's and are requesting 9 more for a total of 77 EDU's. Mr. Wagner said Windhaven has filed a planning module and said he is working with Mr. Camburn and the other required outside agencies. Mr. Wagner explained to the Authority the issue he was experiencing with the Borough in regards to this request. After discussion Mr. Wagner asked for a motion to allocate the 9 EDU's in order to continue with the planning module. Mr. Vlahos made the motion to allocate the 9 EDU's to Windhaven Estates and Mr. Richards seconded and all unanimously approved by 4-0 vote.

Porter Road Pump Station Update on Waterline Leak----Mr. Wagner reported that we receive a call from the Pottstown Borough on February 24, 2017 in regards to the meter reading at Porter Road Pump Station. We were told that we used 274 units and on average we use approximately 20 units. Mr. Wagner noted that after testing the line, a leak was found. The line he explained wraps around the backup generator approximately 100 feet and would difficult to repair so a new line 37 feet long was put into the building. Mr. Wagner discussed the cost with Mr. Flanders, Borough Manager and a decision was made that we would receive a credit of \$355.00 towards the \$800.00 bill making our costs \$445.00. Mr. Wagner said the repair was completed promptly and up and running by Tuesday, February 28, 2017.

Villa Drive Preventive Maintenance Proposal-----Mr. Wagner said that M&S Services had provided us with a proposal of \$4,733.00 to maintain the Villa Drive Pump Station with the fresh intake and outtake vents. Mr. Wagner said he had Mr. Richards and Mr. Toth out for a tour last month and to explain the Pump Station's process of ventilation to elevate any gases and to clean up the wiring. Mr. Wagner asked Mr. Richards if he had anything to add and Mr. Richards said it does need a few repairs the wiring being one and he did not detect any unusual orders. Mr. Wagner asked for a motion to approve the M & S proposal. Mr. Loshnowsky made a motion to approve the M&S Preventive Maintenance Proposal at \$4,733.00 and Mr. Richards seconded and all unanimously approved 4-0 vote.

Route 422 Bridge Replacement Project (Sanatoga Road)----Mr. Wagner reported that he attended a Penn Dot meeting along with Mr. Camburn on February 22, 2017 in regards to the 422 Bridge replacement project. The next phase of the 422 will go from Armand Hammer Blvd. to the Sanatoga Interchange, the bridge next to Cutillos Restaurant parking lot is slated to be replaced. Mr. Wagner said we have a sewer line that runs near their existing bridge-abutment pier. Penn Dot is going from 4 pier system to a 3 pier system and the center pier will be located over our existing sewer line, the line is currently 24 feet deep and installed in 1991, the cost for just materials alone is approximately \$33,000. Mr. Wagner said Penn Dot's approach was that the Authority will have

to pay the costs to relocate the line and Mr. Wagner disagreed and said that Penn Dot is changing the bridge and they would need to relocate the line. After discussion Mr. Wagner will keep the Authority updated on this project which will begin in Summer 2018.

Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Application---Mr. Wagner said next month he is planning to apply for a sewer grant for placing a sewer main as it exits Rolling Hills down toward the Pebble Beach Development as well as some deformed pipe between 7 and 9 Country Drive which qualify for the (CDBG) grant. He said next month we will need to pass a resolution for the grant and said we have been successful in prior years in getting these grants.

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FINANCIAL REPORT

I. TREASURERS REPORT:

Mr. Richard's read the Treasurer's report dated March 13, 2017

SEWER REVENUE ACCOUNT	\$3,755,667.19
CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT RESERVE	\$ 675,808.83

A motion was made by Mr. Loshnowsky and seconded by Mr. Richards and it was unanimously approved by a 4-0 vote to approve the Treasurer's Report of March 13, 2017.

II. BILLS FOR PAYMENT

Mr. Richards presented the following bills for payment:

CAPITAL BILLS

SEWER CAPITAL RESERVE PLGIT

J BEAVER CONST-Porter Rd	\$ 1,680.00
BURSICH ASSOCIATES	\$ 2,996.87
SACKS & SONS-High Street	\$ 6,200.00

OPERATING ACCT PAYMENTS

BURSICH ASSOCIATES	\$ 1,699.63
FOX ROTHSCHILD, LLP	\$ 216.00

A motion was made by Mr. Vlahos and seconded by Mr. Loshnowsky and it was unanimously passed by a 4-0 vote to approve the bills for payment as presented.

Mr. Robbins asked if there was anything else and Mr. Wagner said that Mr. Kalis called him today and had a family emergency and unfortunately could not attend the meeting. Mr. Robbins said he wanted to thank everyone involved especially Mr. Wagner for getting the dryer issue taken care of and expressing our concerns to the Pottstown Borough Authority Board.

Mr. Robbins motioned to adjourn the meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 6:56 pm. The next meeting is scheduled for Monday, April 10, 2017.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Edward C. Wagner', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Edward C. Wagner
Manager