

**LOWER POTTS GROVE TOWNSHIP AUTHORITY JUNE 12, 2017**

The Lower Pottsgrove Township Authority held their regularly scheduled meeting on Monday, June 12, 2017 the meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. The following attended:

James Toth, Chairman  
Cody Robbins, Vice Chairman  
James Vlahos

Edward Wagner, Manager  
Chad Camburn, Engineer  
Kathy Kurtas  
Stephen Kalis, Solicitor

Mark Loshnowsky, Secretary (Absent)  
David Richards, Treasurer (Absent)

Mr. Toth announced that the meeting was being recorded.

**APPROVAL OF AUTHORITY MINUTES:** Mr. Robbins motioned to approve the minutes of May 8, 2017 and Mr. Vlahos seconded the motion and all unanimously approved by a 3-0 vote.

**COMMENTS FROM VISITORS:** Under New Business

**OLD BUSINESS:**

**Discussion on Pottstown Borough Authority June 8th Meeting---**Mr. Wagner went over the highlights of the meeting with the PBA and referenced that we did receive the breakdown of the Gryphon Dryer. He reported that the Gryphon Dryer will cost approximately \$ 1.7 Million Dollars, the Engineering, Mechanical and Building will cost approximately \$1.7 Million Dollars and engineering with permits is approximately \$270,000.00.

Engineering with permits is about 8% of the contract. The goal is to obtain the DEP permit by September and the current dryer is working fine until the new dryer is in place. Mr. Wagner also reported that the Pottstown Borough is having a tour of wastewater plant this Saturday June 17, 2017 from 9:00 am to 12:00 pm if anyone is interested.

**Update on Sewer Specialties**—Mr. Wagner reported that SSS is back in the township and have been working on patch repairs and just completed the lower end of the Woodgate Development. They will continue working on televising, root removal and patch repairs through other priority areas in the township.

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

- Sewer Specialty Services tested 148 joints, sealed 16 joints with 55 gallons of grout
- Installed 1 cured in place pipe patch, and hydraulically cleaned 725 linear feet of sewer.
- A total of 21 sewer inspections were performed in May 2017.
- 4 Velocity Flow meters were purchased
- The cap report was submitted on May 24, 2017
- Through May 31, 2017 \$745,541.85 of the \$895,541.85 contract has been completed
- Table 2 was updated to include daily flows for May
- There were two significant rain events over 1", May 12-14 (1.55") and May 25-27 (1.14") and no wet weather SSOs were observed.

Mr. Camburn said and referred back to the Joint Authority meeting said it was reported that another PD blower broke down. Mr. Camburn said that the PBA believe it is a manufacturer problem and will try to work it out.

## **NEW BUSINESS:**

**Discussion on 2404 Brown Street Update**—Mr. Wagner updated the Authority Board in regards to the 2404 Brown Street property and received another proposal on the property from Remax Achievers which was very similar to the last proposal from Herb Real Estate. Mr. Vlahos asked if that would be a seal bid or could we just list it for sale. Mr. Kalis responded that we could list it for sale rather than do a bidding process. Mr. Wagner said a decision can be made when we have a full board approval.

**Porter Road Pump Station Replacement Roof**---Mr. Kalis spoke to the Authority in regards to the roof replacement for the Porter Road Pump Station and said we received three bids. The threshold under the public bidding requirements allow us to instead of putting out for full bid to receive three written bids or telephonic quotes in the amounts from \$10,700 but not to exceed \$19,700.00. Mr. Kalis reviewed the quotes received with the Authority and said we have no legal requirements at this level to accept the lowest bidder. After reviewing all the quotes thoroughly a discussion amongst the Authority Board evolved on some concerns they had and it was decided that Mr. Wagner request three new quotes and hope to have them by the next meeting for approval. The Authority members would like to obtain lump sum proposals instead of a base pricing with added cost runs.

**1536 N. Pleasantview Road**---Mr. Wagner reviewed the sewer EDU hook up information on 1536 N. Pleasantview Road when at last month's meeting one EDU was allotted for the property. Mr. Wagner explained the property is currently serviced by a septic system and existing sewer line runs on the other side of Pleasantview Road which Penn Dot repaved it in 2015 and they have a moratorium for 3 years. Mr. Wagner said that Mr. Chrusch spoke with a contractor that will do a direction bore under the road and received prices.

Mr. Chrusch stated he was concerned about going with the 4 "lateral direction bore and said he opted to go with the grinder pump 1.25" line that goes directly to the manhole. Mr. Wagner discussed the specifications with the Authority and said that Mr. Chrusch did receive his Penn Dot permit and that Mr. Camburn reviewed the easements and legal descriptions. Mr. Chrusch would be responsible for where the sewer line leaves his house to where it would connect at the manhole. Mr. Wagner said that Mr. Kalis will need to prepare a Tri-Party Agreement between Mr. Chrusch, Lower Pottsgrove Authority and the Township since it is on township property.

Mr. Vlahos motioned to approve the entering into the Tri-Party Agreement in accordance with the specifications outlined in the Authority's Engineers letter dated June 12, 2017 and subject further to the preparation of the Tri-Party Agreement satisfactory to the Authority and approved by the BOC and Mr. Robbins seconded and all unanimously approved by a 3-0 vote.

Mr. Wagner told Mr. Chrusch that there will be two easements a permanent sewer easement of 20 feet and as well as a temporary easement. Mr. Kalis explained that once the Tri-Party agreement is prepared and satisfactory that he will have to send it to Mr. Chuck Garner, Township Solicitor for his review and approval. Mr. Garner will then have to add it to the Board of Commissioners agenda for their next meeting on July 6<sup>th</sup>. Mr. Chrusch asked if this was the soonest it could be approved and Mr. Kalis replied yes it has to be at a public meeting. Mr. & Mrs. Chrusch expressed their appreciation to all involved.

Mr. Wagner noted that he received a letter today from Aqua Pennsylvania saying that they are purchasing the Limerick Township Treatment Facility/ Municipal Authority and if anyone needs a copy he will send it to them.

## **June 12, 2017** FINANCIAL REPORT

### **I. TREASURERS REPORT:**

Mr. Kalis read the Treasurers report dated June 12, 2017:

<b>SEWER REVENUE ACCOUNT</b>	<b>\$4,093,627.82</b>
<b>CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT RESERVE</b>	<b>\$ 620,137.57</b>

A motion was made by Mr. Robbins and seconded by Mr. Vlahos and all unanimously approved by a 3-0 vote to approve the Treasurer's Report of June 12, 2017.

## **II. BILLS FOR PAYMENT**

Mr. Kalis presented the following bills for payment:

### **CAPITAL BILLS**

#### **SEWER CAPITAL RESERVE PLGIT**

<b>BURSICH ASSOCIATES</b>	<b>\$ 2,097.75</b>
<b>DECKMAN ELECTRIC-Villa Dr</b>	<b>\$ 3,750.00</b>
<b>M &amp; S SERVICE CO INC-Villa Drive</b>	<b>\$ 4,733.00</b>
<b>M &amp; S SERVICE CO INC-Maint Contract</b>	<b>\$ 3,610.00</b>
<b>SEWER SPECIALTY SERVICES</b>	<b>\$ 41,429.25</b>
<b>TELEDYNE INSTRUMENTS INC</b>	<b>\$ 17,792.48</b>

### **OPERATING ACCT PAYMENTS**

<b>BURSICH ASSOCIATES</b>	<b>\$ 701.50</b>
<b>FOX ROTHSCHILD, LLP</b>	<b>\$ 595.80</b>

A motion to approve Bills for Payment was made by Mr. Vlahos and seconded by Mr. Toth and all unanimously approved by a 3-0 vote.

Mr. Vlahos motioned to adjourn the meeting. The meeting adjourned at 7:02 pm. The next meeting is scheduled for Monday, July 10, 2017.

Respectfully submitted,



Edward C. Wagner  
Manager