

THE McCANDLESS TOWNSHIP SANITARY AUTHORITY

THE REGULAR MEETING

MINUTES – MAY 5, 2016

MEETING NO. 06

CALL TO ORDER – The regular meeting of the McCandless Township Sanitary Authority Board of Directors was held on Thursday, May 5, 2016 at 7:30 p.m. at the Authority's Administration Building, 418 Arcadia Drive, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania 15237. Mr. William C. Kirk, Jr. called the meeting to order.

ROLL CALL – Mr. Kirk, Jr., Chairman called roll. Authority Board Members present were William C. Hunkele, R. Thomas Riley, James J. Wallaert and Patrick Semon.

Also present were: Ronald Brown, Solicitor of Dickie, McCamey & Chilcote, P.C.; Donald Newman, Engineer of Record, Buchart Horn, Inc.; William Youngblood, Executive Director; Dennis Blakley, Director of Operations; Raymond Aufman, Development/Administrative Manager; Mike Stupy; Superintendent; Mr. Flaherty, Business Manager; Gerard Aufman, Jr., and Elizabeth Keast, Recording Secretary.

INVOCATION: Mr. Kirk gave the invocation.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Mr. Kirk, Jr., led the Board and staff in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: Mr. Kirk reported that there were no public comments received.

COMMUNICATIONS: Mr. Riley reported that there were no communications to bring before the Board at this time.

RECOMMEND THE FOLLOWING BE PLACED IN MOTION:

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING OF APRIL 7, 2016 AND RECONVENED MEETING OF APRIL 21, 2016: A motion was made by Mr. Semon and seconded by Mr. Riley to approve the Minutes of the Regular Monthly Meeting of April 7, 2016 and the Reconvened Meeting of April 21, 2016, as submitted to each Board Member. Solicitor Brown recommended a minor correction to the minutes. All in favor say aye. All ayes. **Motion Carried.**

APPROVE FOR PAYMENT THE LIST OF BILLS DATED MAY 5, 2016: Mr. Wallaert met with John Flaherty to review the list of bills totaling \$1,134,302.11. Mr. Wallaert gave an update on the several items included in the List of Bills and satisfactorily answered several questions.

At this time, a motion was made by Mr. Wallaert and seconded by Mr. Hunkele to approve for payment the List of Bills dated May 5, 2016, as presented to each Board Member. All in favor say aye. All ayes. **Motion Carried.**

SYSTEM REPORTS:**SOLICITOR: Solicitor Brown reported on the following issues:**

Lowries Run Encroachment Issue: Solicitor Brown reviewed the two letters in the Board packet concerning the Lowries Run Encroachment Issue. The first letter was received from the Attorney for Sovereign Development Property. Solicitor Brown has prepared a draft response to their letter to be signed by the Lowries Run co-solicitors that incorporates concerns discussed in Executive Session at the last meeting.

At this time, Chairman Kirk requested a brief executive session to discuss the matter further.

Announcement of Executive Session: Chairman Kirk announced that the Board retired into executive session at 7:40 p.m. for the purpose of discussing matters of potential litigation. After discussion, Chairman Kirk announced that the Board returned to the regular meeting at 7:50 p.m.

Lowries Run Sewer Service Agreement: Solicitor Brown has sent the draft Resolution to the Town of McCandless Solicitor concerning the recognition of the Authority as the operating entity for the McCandless Township portion of our system. Solicitor Brown is awaiting his comments at this time.

BUCHART HORN ENGINEER'S REPORT: Engineer Newman reported on the following:

Sample Valley Pump Station Update: Engineer Newman reported that Buchart Horn has submitted the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection Part II Permit application package on April 29, 2016.

Smith and Loveless is scheduled to inspect the tank on May 12, 2016. Upon completion they will finalize their component drawings that we can incorporate into the design drawings.

At the April 21, 2016 Work Session Meeting, the Board reviewed the estimate of the additional cost of pursuing an alternate design for the proposed Sample Valley Pump Station which generally consisted of enclosing the generator and pumps under a single structure.

Pine Creek Wastewater Treatment Plant Centrifuge: Buchart Horn received the operation and maintenance manuals for the centrifuge equipment from Flottweg and provided copies to MTSA Staff.

Longvue No. 1 NPDES Permit Renewal: Engineer Newman reported that Buchart Horn has received the WETT testing information to prepare the Longvue No. 1 NPDES permit renewal. Buchart Horn is still waiting for the other analytic test results at this time. Upon receipt of the data, the NPDES permit application will be completed and submitted for review.

Lowries Run Implementation Program: Engineer Newman met with Insight Pipe Contracting on April 15, 2016 to discuss schedule status, staging area and site preparation for the project. Engineer Newman has been in contact with the lining contractor who is scheduled to begin the project on May 23, 2016, depending on the weather and flow conditions.

Lowries Run PMC Activity: Engineer Newman explained that two projects have been submitted for review, the Ridge at Highland Pines, formerly Cowan Properties and TOA Reilly Farm, which will exhaust the present inventory of Lowries Run interceptor capacity offset lining projects. These remaining capacity offset lining projects may be significantly more expensive. Buchart Horn has notified each of the developers to inform them that they still have the option of performing additional plug and release programs to develop additional inventory of projects to determine what is more cost effective. The capacity offset lining projects that remain range from a cost of .60 cents to 2.90 a gallon.

Lowries Run Engineers Meeting: Engineer Newman reported that the Engineers Meeting is scheduled for May 31, 2016, for the communities in the Lowries Run watershed to discuss interim consent order requirements, source reduction projects, the status of capacity offset projects and Alcosan regionalization issues.

Executive Director's Report: Mr. Youngblood provided an update on the following:

Alcosan Regionalization CCTV/Revised Mapping Meeting: Mr. Youngblood and Mr. Blakely reviewed the agenda that was presented at the ALCOSAN regionalization meeting held on May 5, 2016 and answered questions from the Board.

MTSA Development Operation-Update: Mr. Aufman reviewed with the Board the Sanitary Sewer Permit and Tap Fee Report summarizing the figures for the month of April submitted by the development office. The development proposals under review include the Oakgrove, 35 townhouse unit to be located in the Borough of Franklin Park, Alderwood Plan, Phase 2 and Peebles Road low pressure force main extension to serve two homes.

MTSA Field and Maintenance Operation: Mr. Stupy reported that the cleaning and televising crew has completed the list of routine maintenance items. The lines crew is continuing to work on the Patricia Drive project.

The jet and maintenance crew have been working in Ohio Township cleaning the pump station wet wells.

Insight Pipe Contracting has recently completed approximately 4000 feet of lining in the Longvue No. 2 area. The contractor has also completed the Presidential Drive project.

The maintenance crew is working at the 418 Arcadia Drive office building to extend the concrete slab to accommodate the four separate air handling units to be installed. The compressor has completely stopped operating. The Authority staff is working diligently with the contractor to have the air handling units ordered and installed before the weather turns warmer. The Authority staff has obtained pricing for a portable unit should it be required.

The Authority dye test crew continues to perform random dye tests and sale of property dye tests five days a week throughout the service area.

Pine Creek Plant Centrifuge Status: The maintenance crew is waiting on additional equipment to be delivered for the centrifuge project. The Authority staff is in the process of contacting the manufacturer to schedule a date and time for startup and training on the equipment.

Board consensus was expressed for MTSA Staff to begin to provide information on our website concerning a sample of environmentally sustainable projects the Authority is in the process of working to complete such as the alternative fuel conversion of several vehicles, LED light replacement and the centrifuge installation.

Articles of Interest: Mr. Youngblood reviewed the agenda items discussed at the Health Department meeting held on May 4, 2016. He also mentioned several important items for review in The Authority magazine.

Pine Creek Plant Long Term Plan: Mr. Riley explained that the official kick-off meeting between MTSA and KLH Engineers was held on April 29, 2016 for the Pine Creek Plant Long Term Plan project.

Mr. Wallaert stated that the meeting was held at the Pine Creek Plant. KLH Engineers presented an agenda of the items to be completed as part of the study of the plant. KLH Engineer has estimated that it will take approximately six months to complete the study of the plant. After the meeting concluded the participants toured the plant. KLH Engineers were very cooperative and attentive during the meeting.

MTSA staff sent thank you letters to Buchart Horn, Inc. and Chester Engineers for submitting their proposals for engineering services on the Pine Creek Wastewater Treatment Facility project.

ADJOURNMENT: A motion was made by Mr. Riley and seconded by Mr. Semon to adjourn the May 5, 2016 Regular Meeting. There being no further business to come before the board the meeting ended at 8:39 p.m. **MOTION CARRIED.**

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