

THE McCANDLESS TOWNSHIP SANITARY AUTHORITY

THE REGULAR MEETING

MINUTES – JUNE 2, 2016

MEETING NO. 07

CALL TO ORDER – The regular meeting of the McCandless Township Sanitary Authority Board of Directors was held on Thursday, June 2, 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. Hunkele 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 MAY 5, 2016: A motion was made by Mr. Hunkele and seconded by Mr. Riley to approve the Minutes of the Regular Monthly Meeting of May 5, 2016, as submitted to each Board Member. All in favor say aye. All ayes. **Motion Carried.**

APPROVE FOR PAYMENT THE LIST OF BILLS DATED JUNE 2, 2016: Mr. Wallaert met with John Flaherty to review the list of bills totaling \$564,221.59. 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. Riley and seconded by Mr. Wallaert to approve for payment the List of Bills dated June 2, 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 prepared a draft response letter to be sent jointly by the Lowries Run co-solicitors to Sovereign Development Property on the Lowries Run Encroachment Issue. At this time, the letter has been sent to Bonnie Brimmeier, Lowries Run co-solicitor for review.

Lowries Run Sewer Service Agreement: Solicitor Brown is in the process of arranging a meeting with McCandless Township Sanitary Authority and the Town of McCandless regarding the resolutions concerning the Lowries Run Agreement. The concept is to have the Authority and the Town of McCandless formally recognize that the Authority has been operating the McCandless portion of the Lowries Run system while that system has been under agreement between the Town and ALCOSAN.

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

Sample Valley Pump Station Update: Engineer Newman reported on April 29, 2016, Buchart Horn submitted the Part II Permit application package for the Sample Valley Pump Station to the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection. The application package is listed as administratively complete and under review.

Engineer Newman has spoken with Mr. Madia of Smith and Loveless concerning their internal tank inspection on May 10, 2016. They are in the process of finalizing their drawings. Upon receipt, Buchart Horn will incorporate the information into the design drawing.

Phase I ACO Implementation Project: Engineer Newman reported that Insight Pipe Contracting is still scheduled to start the Lowries Run lining project on June 6, 2016. The lining project will consist of lining 3700 feet of pipe. The recent rain has caused a disruption to the project schedule but bypass pumping has not been required at this time.

Lowries Run PMC Activity: Engineer Newman is in the process of reviewing the revised information for the Ridge at Highland Pines development. A grant-in-aid agreement will be provided to the developer.

Engineer Newman has discussed the grant-in-aid and escrow information with representatives for Traditions of America (TOA) Reilly Farm development. Buchart Horn has sent a letter on additional requirements to the engineer.

Lowries Run Engineers Meeting: Engineer Newman attended the 3 Rivers Wet Weather flow reduction subcommittee meeting on June 2, 2016.

The MTSA Board previously discussed scheduling a workshop meeting to review the concepts presented at the flow reduction subcommittee meeting that included flow targets, source reduction studies and demonstration projects.

Engineer Newman held the Lowries Run engineers and managers meeting on May 31, 2016, to discuss the joint sewershed wide study submittal, Lowries Run source reduction and capacity issues. The Lowries Run communities not in attendance were West View Borough and Kilbuck Township. A meeting is in the process of being scheduled for next month.

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

KLH Engineers, Inc. – Design Meeting Update: Mr. Blakley reported that on June 2, 2016, KLH Engineers, Inc., met with representatives of MTSA to present and discuss three treatment alternatives for the Pine Creek Plant Wastewater Treatment Facility. The goal of the meeting was to review disinfection manufacturers, discuss clarifier options, grit removal options, screen manufacturers, sizing of the plant for future peak capacity and probable cost for the project.

KLH Engineers, Inc. will begin to schedule site visits of area plants to examine equipment discussed at the meeting so that the information can be further analyzed and reviewed. Based on the input received, KLH Engineers, Inc. will schedule a follow up meeting to further discuss additional comments on the three treatment alternatives and tours.

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 May submitted by the development office. The development proposal currently under review is the Sheetz Store and Hotel on Nicholson Road and Route 910 in the Borough of Franklin Park. Mr. Aufman is currently reviewing plans for an Emiliano's Mexican Restaurant in McCandless Crossings near the Lowe's home store. In Pine Township, construction has commenced on the Alderwood Phase IV Plan on Pierce Mill Road. Hello Bistro has begun construction at the Village of Pine, Pine Township.

MTSA Main Office Air Handling Unit: Mr. Stupy reported that the four air handling units have been delivered to the main office building. The contractor is in the process of inspecting all of the equipment that has been received. The technicians are scheduled to be onsite next week to install the equipment and control panels. The Authority anticipates that the contractor will have the air handling units operating by the end of the week.

Pine Creek Plant Centrifuge Status: Mr. Stupy reported that Flottweg has made arrangements to be onsite to inspect and begin startup of the centrifuge equipment at the Pine Creek plant. MTSA's technicians installed the control panel for the centrifuge. The contractor was impressed with the installation work. Typically, a startup by the manufacturer takes approximately a week to complete. In the Authority's case the startup took only three days due to the fine work by our crew. Mr. Blakley reviewed pictures of the centrifuge equipment in operation with the Board.

MTSA Field and Maintenance Operation: Mr. Stupy reported that the lines crew has finished the Patricia Drive project. From there the crew will continue to the Presidential Drive Project. Work is underway by the televising crew in the Lowries Run system. The jet crew is in the Longvue No. 2 area performing cleaning and root cutting on the lines. 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.

Wet Weather Issues: Mr. Youngblood received a memo from Mr. Schombert of 3 Rivers Wet Weather advising that the new Phase 1 consent orders are underway. The 3 Rivers Wet Weather will be meeting with municipal engineers to participate on an Administrative Consent Order technical support working group. The memo also pointed out the upcoming deadlines for the consent orders. The progress reports on compliance efforts will be due December 1, 2016. The completion of the flow reduction demonstration project will be due August 1, 2017 and the source reduction studies will be due December 1, 2017.

Pennsylvania Municipal Authorities Association (PMAA)–Update: Mr. Youngblood reviewed information on recent federal proposed regulations that may impact Pennsylvania authorities with regard to the changes to the definition of political subdivision that would prohibit appointed governmental bodies, specifically municipal authorities in Pennsylvania from the use of tax-exempt municipal bonds to finance investments in public infrastructure. PMAA is in the process of researching the information to provide a response.

Also, PMAA is asking for comments concerning proposed Senate Bill 1223 that deals with the audit of municipal authorities by the Auditor General due to the growing number of reported incidents of misuse of authority funds.

Alternative Fuel Grant Program: Mr. Blakley is working with Blossman Services, Inc., a potential new supplier to handle the conversion of the Authority's vehicles, since the current provider will no longer be providing the required EPA certification service necessary for the grant program. The Authority is in the process of obtaining information and pricing to convert the recently purchased vehicles to propane. The Authority is working with our contact person to close out the current grant application. The Authority will proceed with completing a new grant application to participate in the grant reimbursement for the new vehicles under the program. MTSA is working to obtain information on providing training for employees to perform maintenance and inspection services in house for the vehicles in the program.

PMAA 74th Annual Conference and Trade Show: Mr. Youngblood reported that the Pennsylvania Municipal Authorities Association 74th Annual Conference and Trade show is scheduled to be held August 28 through August 31, 2016 in Pittsburgh Pennsylvania. Board and Staff interested in attending should register early.

ADJOURNMENT: A motion was made by Mr. Riley and seconded by Mr. Semon to adjourn the June 2, 2016 Regular Meeting. There being no further business to come before the board the meeting ended at 8:26 p.m. **MOTION CARRIED.**

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