

**PENN TOWNSHIP MUNICIPAL AUTHORITY
PERRY COUNTY**

102 Municipal Building Road

Duncannon, PA 17020

May 12, 2014

The Penn Township Municipal Authority (Authority) met on Monday, May 12, 2014 in the Penn Township Municipal Building, immediately following the JOAC meeting. Chairman Henry Holman, III, called the meeting to order at 6:51 p.m.

Authority members present:

Henry Holman, III, Chairman

Sam Auxt, Asst. Secretary

CeCe Novinger, Asst. Treasurer

Authority staff present:

Susan Long, Treasurer, Recording Secretary

Wellhead Protection

At its May 7th meeting, Operator Ed Chism had asked the members to consider the impact that geothermal systems might have on the Authority wellhead. Sam now reminded the members that this would be discussed at the June 4th meeting. CeCe asked if the Authority had any draft ordinances that would address this topic. Ed will be asked if he has one. Susan will search on-line for one.

Joint-Use Lateral Agreement

Sam reported that an agreement was needed for the owners of 108 and 110 Jefferson Street, who are sharing the same sewer lateral. He noted that the Authority has used one in the past, but a simpler version was found on-line by the Executive Secretary. The Solicitor reviewed both and thinks that the one previously used gives the Authority greater protection. He will draw up a document for the owners of 108 and 110 Jefferson Street to sign.

Time Limit on Visitor Presentations

This topic was tabled until the June 4th meeting.

Recognition of Visitors Whose Topic Appears on the Agenda

This topic was tabled until the June 4th meeting.

Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Income Surveys

Sam reported that Karen and he had started going door to door on Sunshine Hill, asking the residents to complete the income surveys required so that the Authority would be eligible for CDBG funding. He stated that he was getting a good reception from the property owners he contacted.

New Business

Grinder Pump Issues

Sam reported on a sewer main break at 218 Railroad Street that occurred on Friday night, May 9th. He then announced that, when the Operator retires, he would also like his name and phone number removed from the Authority's answering machine message. A possible option would be to list the number of Lenker's Excavating, since that is the company now used by the Authority for most grinder

pump repairs. It was noted that Mr. Lenker would not know if a particular customer is responsible for the ownership of the grinder pump on the property. However, it was also noted that Mr. Lenker could make the repair and then contact the Authority to see whether the Authority or the customer is responsible for the repair.

Sam reported that a tenant at 1623 State Road called him to report a mal-functioning grinder pump. Since the owner of that property has assumed ownership of the grinder pump, the tenant was directed to call the owner.

Bar Screen

Duncannon Borough has a bar screen installed at its wastewater treatment plant (WWTP). It was described as a big chain conveyor belt that screens out the non-treatable materials of the influent before it enters the treatment process. Sam suggested that the Authority should consider a bar screen at the Cove WWTP to prolong the life of the diffusers.

Odor Control

Henry asked if the odor control injection site had been started up since being turned off for the winter, noting that the Authority needs to be proactive about controlling odors from the Cove WWTP. Sam told him that the equipment was again in operation.

Sewer Delinquencies

Sam noted that a lot of delinquent customers were served by grinder pumps. He also noted that the Authority would like to slowly turn ownership of these pumps over to the customers. He suggested that the Authority consider that, if a customer's account balance is delinquent by more than X amount (X to be decided), the customer would then be responsible for maintenance and repair of the grinder pump. This issue will be discussed further at the June 4th meeting.

Adjournment

With all business completed, an Auxt/Novinger motion for adjournment was made at 7:24 p.m. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

Susan E. Long

Recording Secretary