MINUTES

SHREWSBURY BOROUGH MUNICIPAL AUTHORITY

REGULAR MEETING                                                                   March 22, 2023

MEMBERS PRESENT:  Dennis Wertz, John Hoover, and Terry Blomquist

OTHERS PRESENT:  Brian L. Sweitzer, Supt. of Public Works; Jeffrey L. Rehmeyer II, Esq.;

Jason Brenneman, P.E.; Jason Dunaja; David Pergrin

A regular meeting of the Municipal Authority convened at 7:00 p.m. with Chairman Blomquist presiding.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

J. Hoover moved to approve the minutes of the February 22, 2023, meeting.

D. Wertz seconded. The motion carried with all voting in favor.

**CITIZEN’S COMMENTS**

None were offered.

**EXPENDITURES AND REPORT OF ACCOUNTS**

D. Wertz moved to approve the February expenditures and report of accounts.

J. Hoover seconded. The motion carried with all voting in favor.

**BUSINESS**

Meeting with New Freedom Borough

The next meeting will be for Shrewsbury and Hopewell Townships to present their calculations as to how many EDUs they need for future development. No date has been set for the next meeting.

Harambe Overlook in Railroad Borough

Jason Dunaja has a seven-lot development in Railroad Borough that the York Water Company will not serve so it will have private wells. The homes will need meters to measure the usage and will be billed by Railroad Borough for sewer. Railroad Borough and the developer are asking that Shrewsbury Borough personnel, via its agreement with the Authority, read the meters at an hourly rate and provide the readings to Railroad Borough to bill for the sewer charges. This would be a courtesy extended to Railroad Borough since it doesn’t have the manpower or equipment to read the meters. The meters would also be maintained at each home at the homeowner’s cost for parts and labor. All labor and materials will be billed to Railroad Borough, and then Railroad Borough would bill the homeowners as appropriate. Estimated charge for reading the meters a year is around $300.00. Sol. Rehmeyer stated he received the draft Agreement from Mr. Dunaja’s attorney this afternoon. Borough Council approved the request pending approval by the Authority.

T. Blomquist moved to conditionally approve the Agreement subject to further discussion and finalization by Supt. Sweitzer and Sol. Rehmeyer.

D. Wertz seconded. The motion carried with all voting in favor.

Deer Creek North Interceptor Lining Project

T. Blomquist moved to table the discussion of the “Deer Creek North Interceptor Lining Project” and the “Hollings Organic Products Sewer Plan” until later in the meeting in the hopes that Supt. Sweitzer will arrive (not present at the start of the meeting due to a power outage in the southern end of the Borough affecting wells and pump stations).

D. Wertz seconded. The motion carried with all voting in favor.

Hollins Organic Products on Elm Drive Deduct Meter

The landscape company is working on a final land development plan for 14430 Elm Drive (former Steel Farm property). They are inquiring about a deduct meter since most of the water will not enter the sewer system. They have four EDUs and the Resolution requires the property to own five sewer EDUs. The Resolution required five EDUs so that only larger users would qualify for the meter. There was concern if an exception was made that it could set a precedent. Eng. Brenneman stated there will be piles of mulch stored on the property that need to be watered so they don’t spontaneously combust. There will be a small work trailer on site for about two employees. It was suggested that perhaps the York Water Company could set up a separate meter and account for the agricultural use and a separate meter and service for the domestic use.

T. Blomquist moved to deny the request for a deduct meter in that the owner does not have the minimum required sewer EDUs to qualify for a deduct meter per the Resolution and a letter will be sent that it is suggested they work with the York Water Company to obtain a second meter/connection for the mulch watering.

D. Wertz seconded. The motion carried with all voting in favor.

Resolution #2023-2 Deduct Meter Cost Increase

J. Hoover moved to adopt Resolution #2023-2 increasing the fee to $75.00.

D. Wertz seconded. The motion carried with all voting in favor.

**ENGINEER’S REPORT**

Deer Creek Sewer Pump Station

Eng. Brenneman and Supt. Sweitzer are trying to schedule a visit to a similar pump station that would have two wet wells. We will know in July whether the grant for this project will be approved.

Deer Creek North Interceptor Lining Project

Eng. Brenneman reviewed the two Co-Stars quotes received: Mr. Rehab in the amount of $158,300 and Insituform in the amount of $149,256. The work could be bid out which would take additional time and be more costly.

Supt. Sweitzer entered the meeting at 7:50 p.m.

Deer Creek North Interceptor Lining Project

The sewer line inspections show about 20 gallons per minute of groundwater infiltration at 13 locations. The Deer Creek North Interceptor has eight leaks at 15 gallons per minute or 21,600 gallons per day of infiltration. There are also other places that show cracked pipe but are not leaking yet. Supt. Sweitzer is obtaining a price from Insituform to line 2,300 feet of 12” transite pipe. The amount of $300,000.00 was budgeted for slip lining. Quotes through Co-Stars were received from Insituform in the amount of $149,256 and from Mr. Rehab in the amount of $158,300. Supt. Sweitzer stated he is satisfied with the two quotes.

J. Hoover moved to approve the quote from Insituform in the amount of $149,256.

D. Wertz seconded. The motion carried with all voting in favor.

Hollins Organic Products on Elm Drive Sewer Plan

Supt. Sweitzer and Eng. Brenneman reviewed the sewer connection and listed his comments as follows: the plan has a sewer lateral from MH 454 to the building. The lateral has a sampling MH and cleanouts with maximum distances of 75 feet. The plan calls for contractor to meet the Authority’s specifications. No greasetrap is necessary. The connection will core drill MH 454 with a new flow channel and the steps will not be disturbed.

J. Hoover moved to approve the sewer plan for Hollins Organic Products.

D. Wertz seconded. The motion carried with all voting in favor.

**PUBLIC WORKS REPORT**

Taken earlier.

**SOLICITOR’S REPORT**

Taken earlier.

**COMMUNICATIONS**

2022 Audit

C. Bosley stated the auditor will review the 2022 audit report next Thursday, March 30 at 1:00 p.m. D. Wertz plans to attend.

**ADJOURNMENT**

D. Wertz moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:00 p.m.

J. Hoover seconded. The motion carried with all in favor.

Prepared by Cindy L. Bosley, Recording Secretary