

MINUTES

SHREWSBURY BOROUGH MUNICIPAL AUTHORITY

REGULAR MEETING

August 27, 2014

MEMBERS PRESENT: John Hoover, Herbert Baker, Dennis Wertz, Michael Smelgus, and Ted Nadobny

OTHERS PRESENT: Brian L. Sweitzer, Supt. of Public Works; Jeffrey L. Rehmeier, II; David Lipinski, P.E.; Phil Robinson

A regular meeting of the Municipal Authority convened at 7:00 p.m. at the Shrewsbury Borough Municipal Building, 35 West Railroad Avenue, with Chairman Smelgus presiding.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes from the June 25, 2014, meeting were approved by unanimous consent by those who were at the meeting.

CITIZEN'S COMMENTS

EXPENDITURES AND REPORT OF ACCOUNTS

D. Wertz questioned budget line #487.151 looks to be underbudgeted and that in the July report, the year to date expenses did not change from June to July. The July year to date figure should be \$121,853 or 17.18%.

D. Wertz moved to approve the June and July expenditures and report of accounts with the above clarifications.

H. Baker seconded. The motion carried with all in favor.

OLD BUSINESS

Resolution Establishing Fees for Excess Usage of Allocated Sewer Capacity

This will be a tool to create leverage to cause a property owner to stop using more capacity than it has purchased. Sol. Rehmeier presented the resolution for adoption. Since this fee is for use of excess capacity beyond that purchased, the Authority should retain the funds because the usage will not cause damage to the sewer plant.

Conversely, discharging an improper substance into the sewer system would be a violation of other resolutions, for which a penalty would be proper.

D. Wertz moved to adopt Resolution #2014-1 establishing fees for excess usage of allocated sewer capacity.

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

Baron Matthews Sewer Planning Module

The revised sewer planning module has not been submitted to Eng. Lipinski as yet and there are outstanding engineering fees of almost \$800.00. This is for a parcel along Constitution Avenue that was subdivided and recorded prior to approval by DEP of the sewer module. Shrewsbury Township sent a letter to Baron that it will not issue permits until this is resolved. Phil Robinson said he will speak with Baron again about paying the invoices since he may have this lot sold.

Sewage Facilities Planning Module for Johnson Controls

Johnson Controls has 62 EDUs that were transferred to it by Gary Stewart leaving none for the remaining property owners in the Stonebridge Business Park. A planning module request for 23 EDUs for the office and laboratory was processed at the request of a Pittsburg engineering firm. DEP has approved the planning module for the 23 sewer EDUs.

NEW BUSINESS

Messina Highlands Shopping Center

Phil Robinson stated the Township issued building permits without the developer paying the Authority for the system collection fees per sewer EDU. The developer felt that since the sewer system is going to be private that the Authority did not need to be involved with inspections, which is incorrect. Phil admitted that the Public Works Department should have been involved in the plan reviews, inspections of the main, laterals, and grease traps. C. S. Davidson performed the inspections and Phil stated he would have the information to Supt. Sweitzer tomorrow. No sewer permits will be issued until after the September 24 Authority meeting at which time Supt. Sweitzer and Eng. Lipinski will report as to whether they are satisfied with the installation of the lines and grease traps. He may have to pressure test and/or televise the lines. The bank pad has a grinder pump since it is below the main. There are 20 sewer EDUs purchased from the Township by Donald Zeigler who has assigned the EDUs to Messina Highlands. Phil stated Peoples Bank will come in to pay its one

system collection fee for the EDU transferred to it for the parcel it is building on and he will come in to pay the other 19 system collection fees. Inspection time will be billed at a later time.

The recording secretary was asked to contact Shrewsbury Township as to why the Authority wasn't asked to review the land development plan to approve the specifications for sewer lines, grease trap installation and to participate in the inspections. Every time a property will be connecting to the public sewer, the Authority should be asked to perform a plan review and inspections.

52 Lisburn Avenue Tree in Right-of-Way

The resident is requesting the Authority remove a 30 foot pine tree that was trimmed and dirt excavated around during work to repair a broken sewer line near the tree five years ago. The resident said the tree is dying. Rather than setting a precedent by removing the tree that is in the right-of-way, a letter will be sent to the property owner that he will need to remove the tree as it should not be in the right-of-way.

D. Wertz moved that a letter be sent that the Authority will not remove the tree that is in the right-of-way.

T. Nadobny seconded. The motion carried with all in favor.

Southern Farms Phase II Sewer Lining

This phase will begin in a few weeks and will include Brandywine Drive, parts of Covington Drive, and Strassburg Circle. The total cost is \$241,276.60 and affects 23 homes in the Borough and 27 homes in the Township.

Tolna Junction Sewer Line Replacement

The sewer line at Windy Hill Road and Tolna Junction Lane will be replaced in the next couple of weeks at a cost of \$51,400.00. The majority of the cost will be the Authority's using the sewer zone breakdown. The EDU formula has 97.4% Authority and 2.6% Borough.

Technical Fabrication Sewer Lateral Leak

Tech Fab at 15842 Elm Drive has a sewer lateral leak on their portion of the lateral which is their responsibility.

M. Smelgus moved that a letter be sent to Tech Fab giving the business 30 days in which to make the repair.

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

Forest Lakes Spillway

Conewago Contractors removed the current concrete spillway and the sewer line under the spillway will be replaced in the next couple of weeks. Supt. Sweitzer and Eng. Lipinski reviewed the specifications sheet.

Upcoming Sewer Work for Budgeting

The following projects will be considered for future work:

Southern Farms Phase III Sewer Lining: The last phase of the Southern Farms sewer relining due to roots is budgeted for 2015. The project includes Covington Drive, Crosswind Drive, and Eastbrook Circle. The cost will be around \$160,000.00 and is entirely the Authority's responsibility.

Deer Creek Sewer Pump Station Wet Well: The Deer Creek Sewer Pump Station is the largest pump station and pumps approximately 500,000 gallons of sewage per day. Most of the future sewage development, including Johnson Controls, will travel to the Deer Creek sewer station. Currently, when an alarm is received, the Public Works Department has 20 minutes to respond to the alarm before the sewer overflows. The Department investigated additional storage capacity that will allow extra response time to an alarm and allow the pumps to operate longer instead of short cycling. The extra capacity would cost approximately \$150,000.00 and will be budgeted for 2015. The Authority is responsible for 53% of the project.

Strassburg Circle Sewer Line Replacement: The sewer line on Strassburg Circle is leaking and has many low spots. The line cannot be re-lined due to the pipe low spots and must be replaced. The project is budgeted for 2015 and will cost around \$70,000.00. The entire project is the Authority's responsibility.

Sewer Pump Station Upgrade: The project was budgeted for 2014, but will most likely not happen this year. The project includes changing from the air control system to a float system at a cost of around \$65,000.00.

Sewer Station Generator Doors: Deer Creek and Forest Lake's generators have significant rust on the housing and doors. The housing is being painted but will need new lock hardware. The cost will be around \$6,600.00 with a portion being charged to the Authority.

359 Tolna Road Corner of Tolna Road and Mount Airy Road

This development is for a total of five lots and four of the sewer EDUs will be coming from EDUs purchased by Phil Robinson for Chestnut Commerce Center. Eng. Lipinski asked if the Authority or the Township has a way to track the EDUs that are transferred from one parcel to another in the Township. Supt. Sweitzer and Eng. Lipinski should review this plan.

Heathcote Glen II, Phase III

Again, the eight sewer EDUs being used in this portion of the development are coming from older EDUs purchased by Phil Robinson for use in the Chestnut Commerce Center. How are they being tracked?

York Water Company Agreement

Because some meter readings are now being supplied by The York Water Company for sewer billing, an agreement was prepared setting forth the Borough's and the Authority's expectations.

M. Smelgus moved to approve the signing of the agreement.
H. Baker seconded. The motion carried with all in favor.

Resignation of Michael Smelgus

Mike said this will be his last meeting as he is resigning due to time constraints. The members accepted his resignation with regret.

ADJOURNMENT

D. Wertz moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:07p.m.
M. Smelgus seconded. The motion carried with all in favor.

Prepared by,
Cindy L. Bosley, Recording Secretary