

MINUTES

SHREWSBURY BOROUGH MUNICIPAL AUTHORITY

REGULAR MEETING

October 28, 2015

MEMBERS PRESENT: John Hoover, Herbert Baker, Ted Nadobny, Dennis Wertz, and Ronald Rohrbaugh

OTHERS PRESENT: Brian L. Sweitzer, Supt. of Public Works; Jeffrey L. Rehmeyer, II, Esq. and David Lipinski, P.E.; Richard R. Buchanan, Councilman; Peter W. Schnabel, Mayor; Mark Ayres and B. J. Matthews of the Public Works Dept.; Alfred Michenzi; and 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 Nadobny presiding.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

H. Baker moved to approve the minutes of the September 23, 2015, meeting.
R. Rohrbaugh seconded. The motion carried with all in favor.

CITIZEN'S COMMENTS

Alfred Michenzi, 76 Covington Drive, was present about a large tree that died as a result of sewer work too close to the roots. Chairman Nadobny explained the policy set by the Authority that if a tree is in a right-of-way, no reimbursement for damage will be made and that Mr. Michenzi's lateral and clean out were replaced at no charge to him which is probably equal to the cost of removal of the tree. Supt. Sweitzer demonstrated where the tree is in connection to the right-of-way and after this explanation, Mr. Michenzi was satisfied.

EXPENDITURES AND REPORT OF ACCOUNTS

D. Wertz moved to approve the September expenditures and report of accounts but asked for clarification of account 429.370 and why there is a credit in this line.
R. Rohrbaugh seconded. The motion carried with all in favor.

OLD BUSINESS

Capacity Study and Purchase of Flow Meters

Two flow meters were installed on October 20 by FloWAV as a pilot study to see how they function and whether the Authority/Borough want to purchase the meters. So far, the meters are recording and sending the information and there have been no alarms. Chairman Nadobny explained the hydrograph readings through the overhead screen as the information would appear to the person receiving the data. The flow meter in the eight inch line that is in the line on Tolna Junction Lane shows no I & I when household flows are not in the line. The 12" line does show constant flow. It will be interesting to see how the large rainfall expected today and tonight will affect the readings. The FloWAV meters are available for purchase under the Co-Stars program with no license agreement. The annual hosting fee is around \$360.00 and there will be a cellular costs monthly. The meters will remain in place for at least another week, maybe longer.

Stewartstown Railroad/Omega Rail Service

Sol. Rehmeyer had requested of Omega Rail Service how it determines the cost for the yearly rental. Omega Rail Service will also be asked if other municipalities or Authorities pay the yearly rental fees. The Authority had paid \$222.00 a year for the license agreement for the crossing in Tolna. After Omega Rail became involved, the fee went to \$1,200.00. There are 11 crossings and the estimated annual application and processing fees could be around \$7,000.00. The question of what is the going rate cannot be answered nor will Omega Rail Service answer if other entities pay an annual fee.

Sale of 10 EDUs by Shrewsbury Township to Gary Stewart for Stonebridge in Hopewell Township

The interested tenant has backed away and Shrewsbury Township has informed Mr. Stewart he will need to submit another letter for a new tenant.

Phil Robinson Request to Purchase One EDU for 67 Acres east of Mt. Airy Road in Shrewsbury Township

A letter was received from Stacey R. MacNeal, Esq. on behalf of TDR (PA) LLC, who is the equitable owner of the parcel. The former owner, Presidential Heights Associates had purchased 35 EDUs in 1999 for an assisted living facility east of the portion of Church Road that is in the Borough. Townhomes were built on this parcel and ten of the 35 EDUs were transferred to Messina for the ten homes that were in the Borough. The other townhomes and single family homes in this development used EDUs purchased from Shrewsbury Township. The remaining 25 EDUs must be used in the Borough as per the letter sent in 2002. Phil stated he also felt the EDUs the Borough is holding for undeveloped land in the Borough should be

sold to anyone in the service area. Sol. Rehmeyer stated the Borough/Authority have historically worked through the existing agreements.

Baron Matthews Parcel along Constitution Avenue

The back fees were paid by Phil Robinson and another check in the amount of \$50.00 needs to be sent to New Freedom Borough. DEP is saying that two EDUs need to be associated with this parcel. Phil stated the plan was recorded and the lot was sold. Chairman Nadobny signed the capacity letter but it will be held until the number of EDUs is resolved.

Video Pipe Services Invoice

A third and final invoice was received in the amount of \$31,006.00 and the Authority's share is 54% or \$16,743.24.

J. Hoover moved to approve the third and final invoice amount in the amount of \$16,743.24 pending confirmation that the Borough/Authority has all of the videos.
H. Baker seconded. The motion carried with all in favor.

Lutheran Home Sewer Line

The line in front of the Zimmerman House does not have enough fall and sewage backs up. At one time, there was a detention pond in the area that DEP now considers wetlands. DEP will tell the Authority what permits need to be obtained.

Resolution Setting Policy for Trees in Right-of-Ways

D. Wertz moved to approve Resolution 2015-2 setting forth the policy for trees in the right-of-ways.
J. Hoover seconded. The motion carried with all in favor.

ADJOURNMENT

R. Rohrbaugh moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:23 p.m.
D. Wertz seconded. The motion carried with all in favor.

Prepared by Cindy L. Bosley, Recording Secretary