

MINUTES

SHREWSBURY BOROUGH MUNICIPAL AUTHORITY

REGULAR MEETING

SEPTEMBER 26, 2018

MEMBERS PRESENT: Dennis Wertz, John Hoover, Ronald Rohrbaugh, Ted Nadobny,  
and Mark Beran

OTHERS PRESENT: Brian L. Sweitzer, Supt. of Public Works; Jeffrey L. Rehmeyer II, Esq.;  
David Lipinski, P.E.; B.J. Matthews, Public Works Dept.

A regular meeting of the Municipal Authority convened at 7:04 p.m. at the Shrewsbury  
Borough Municipal Building, 35 West Railroad Avenue, with Chairman Nadobny presiding.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

D. Wertz moved to approve the minutes of the July 25, 2018, meeting.  
M. Beran seconded. The motion carried with all voting in favor.

**CITIZEN'S COMMENTS**

No citizens were present.

**EXPENDITURES AND REPORT OF ACCOUNT**

J. Hoover moved to approve the July and August report of accounts.  
M. Beran seconded. The motion carried with all voting in favor.

**BUSINESS**

**Executive Session**

Chairman Nadobny reported an executive session was held at 6:00 p.m. this evening to discuss  
a legal matter.

**Proportionate Share Payment**

Since the Borough's Water and Sewer Committee hasn't met with New Freedom Borough's  
Water and Sewer Committee yet, the decision on what amount to pay for the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter  
proportionate share invoice will be deferred.

### Sewer Line Capacity Study

The report will be ready next month.

### Deer Creek Pump Station Wet Well

Eng. Lipinski will ask for an extension of the permit in October. This project will not be budgeted for 2019 as the current capacity does not warrant the upgrade. If, in the future, there is a need to put more capacity through, it could be upgraded and expanded at that time. Permitting would take awhile to achieve. It is unknown if additional capacity could be gained in the future.

## **PUBLIC WORKS REPORT**

### Sewer Meter

The sewer meter was relocated to a manhole behind the Case and Keg on June 25 to see if the ten-inch interceptor line is sufficient. The average flow has been 194,000 GPD with 3.505” inches in the ten-inch pipe. If the size of the pipe is increased making it too large, solids remain on the bottom. Eng. Lipinski stated the ten-inch pipe is more than adequate since there is no development that can occur west of this area, just a change in uses for which the pipe should still be sufficient.

### New Freedom Sewer Plant

The plant had over seven million GPD sewage/water go through the plant during the August 31 storm. The plant had 4.16 million GPD go through on September 10. These flows were calculated based on the plant basin height since the meters were underwater and could not calculate properly. The plant is permitted for 2.25 million GPD and the Borough/Authority's share per the documentation is 1.33 million GPD.

### Sewer Flows

In August of 2018, Shrewsbury's flow was 55.7% compared to the flows in 2015 when Shrewsbury was at 59.2% at the plant.

### Storm Event

There were over four inches of rain on August 31 and all pump stations were in alarm mode. The Deer Creek Pump Station overflowed and motors tripped out due to the heavy flows. Several wires and breakers were replaced.

### 2019 Budget Items

Lutheran Home sewer \$172,000.00; I-83 diverging diamond \$2,800.00; Windy Hill repair \$6,735.00; Essex Circle Drive road repair \$3,500.00; and miscellaneous repairs \$39,250.00.

## **ENGINEER'S REPORT**

### Lutheran Home Wetland Crossing

Eng. Lipinski is still waiting for an estimate from the boring contractor; he will contact them again.

### Waste Water Treatment Plant Upgrades

At one of the joint municipal sewer meetings, it was mentioned that New Freedom Borough does not have any excess capacity to sell. The Borough's share of the capacity may be reduced when the plant is upgraded to meet the DEP guidelines for effluents.

## **SOLICITOR'S REPORT**

### Water Meter Changeout Letters

There were nine letters sent to owners who had not called to schedule the meter replacement, despite several attempts.

### Omega Rail/Stewartstown Railroad

Monthly e-mails continue to be received for outstanding amounts claimed by Omega. The emails evidence errors and inconsistencies. Omega has yet to provide information as requested or respond to reasonable inquiries.

## **COMMUNICATIONS**

### Budget Meetings

The 2019 budget meetings are on October 2, October 9, October 23, and November 13.

**ADJOURNMENT**

R. Rohrbaugh moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:40 p.m.

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

Prepared by Cindy L. Bosley, Recording Secretary

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