

Bethel Township Municipal Authority  
Meeting Minutes  
April 5, 2017

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Harold Gruber at 7:02 p.m. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. The roll call was taken.

In attendance were Harold Gruber, Kevin Stupp and Robert Lingle. David Younker arrived a little late and Carl Kauffman was absent. Also in attendance were Solicitor Michelle Mayfield and Jeremy Brumbach, from McCarthy Engineering. Secretary Erin Kreitzer was absent.

Public Comment on Agenda Only –None

Approval of minutes -

A motion was made by Harold Gruber to approve the minutes of the March 1, 2017 meeting. The motion was seconded by Robert Lingle, all agreed and the motion was passed.

Member Report -

David Younker - Absent at time of Member Report

Carl Kauffman - Absent

Robert Lingle - Nothing at this time

Harold Gruber - Nothing at this time

Kevin Stupp -

No problems on the DMR report for March.

The annual audit is schedule for tomorrow, 4/6

We received a letter from Met-Ed that our rate has gone up at the Old 22 facility to a higher class, however we did not see any dramatic increase in our most recent bill.

Solicitor Report -

Solicitor Mayfield informed the Board that we received the signed Prologis agreement and are waiting for a revised improvement agreement for Vesper project

Engineer Report -

**BTMA Meeting – April 2017 Report**

The Bethel Township Municipal Authority Engineer activity for the month is as follows:

1. DCED Grant
  - We have been notified that grant money was not awarded to Bethel Township.
2. NPDES Permit – Bethel Plant
  - The NPDES Permit application has been finalized and requires signature by the Authority and a \$500.00 application fee check before submission to DEP.
3. Notice of Violation – 8424 Lancaster Avenue

- A notice was sent to the property owner on March 16<sup>th</sup> noting high flows from the property had been noticed and requesting they call the Authority Engineer to schedule an inspection. McCarthy has not been contacted by the homeowner in the timeframe allotted.

#### 4. Dieffenbach Kettle Chips

- McCarthy completed a review of the Final Land Development Plans for Dieffenbach on 4/4/17 and distributed a review letter.
- The Sewage Planning Module Component 3 form must be revised by the applicant to reflect calculations of the proposed EDU's based on the Authority's requirement of 1 EDU = 250 Gallons per day.
- It was also recommended that the MRD Lumber lot that is to be subdivided connect to the public sewer system, and that the proposed forcemain be extended along the Old Route 22 frontage to the intersection with Midway Road to allow for future connections.

#### 5. Vesper Development

- McCarthy was contacted by Duke Realty regarding the installation of the sewer main in Camp Swatara Road. Once the construction schedule is established, McCarthy will coordinate inspection of the gravity sewer and forcemain with the site contractor.

### Unfinished Business

Pollution Insurance - Kevin asked that we postpone this to next month to allow more time to review the current policy.

8424 Lancaster Avenue (Elston Woolf) - Lehmas was checked the property during heavy rains and didn't notice any high flows during that time. Since we received no response from the letter that was sent, the Board suggested that McCarthy Engineering and Lehmas contact the owner in person so that he can acknowledge that the letter was received.

### New Business

MRD Lumber Credit Application - The board decided that since we don't regularly purchase materials from MRD we hold off on applying for a credit account.

Backhoe Maintenance - A light came on while Randy was operating the unit over the winter. It was last service in 2014 for about \$920. Randy is going to get quotes from Zimmerman and John Deere.

Executive Session – Board discussed personnel matters.

Robert Lingle made a motion to increase the hourly pay rate for Randy Haag by \$0.50 based on performance. David seconded the motion, all agreed and the motion was passed.

### Public Comment -

Matt Blatt was in attendance and mentioned that he is considering constructing 5 apartment units at 8192 Lancaster Avenue. The total tapping fee would be \$37,500 or \$7,500 each. He asked if he could pay a discounted rate or a time phased payment, but the board commented that we don't typically make these exceptions. He also inquired about the property at 8425 which is up for sale to see if they have any past balances due. Kevin suggested that he contact Erin early next week when she returns.

Lehmas Moyer reported that an alarm triggered on the the generator at the Bethel

plant. The crank case heater breaker was off and will easily be replaced, but the service person ran some tests and on the engine and a control needs to be replaced. The cost is \$1400 for a new part and \$900 for rebuilt. The board asked that Lehmas check on the warrenty of both options and use his good judgement to replace the part.

Mike Kreiser called Lehmas and let him know that the Frystown plant filled up with smoke due to a blower unit that was running hot. They are going to rebuild the unit and check to see if there is possibly a ventilation problem.

The parts for the Auger have arrived and the work will be scheduled soon.

#### Payment of Bills -

Robert Lingle made a motion that we accept the report, pay current bills, and any future bills due before the next meeting. Harold Gruber seconded the motion, all agreed and the motion was passed.

#### Adjournment-

Kevin Stupp made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Robert Lingle seconded the motion, all agreed and the motion was passed. The meeting adjourned at 7:56 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Kevin Stupp