

Bethel Township Municipal Authority
Meeting Minutes
March 6, 2019

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Harold Gruber at 7:04 p.m. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. The roll call was taken.

In attendance were David Younker (late), Robert Lingle, Harold Gruber, Kevin Stupp and John High. Also in attendance were Solicitor Elizabeth Magovern, Engineer Jim McCarthy and Secretary Erin Kreitzer.

Public Comment on Agenda Only –None

Approval of minutes -

A motion was made by Robert Lingle to approve the minutes of the February 6, 2019 meeting. The motion was seconded by John High, all agreed and the motion was passed.

Member Report -

David Younker – Nothing at this time.

John High – Nothing at this time.

Robert Lingle –Nothing at this time.

Harold Gruber –Harold Gruber informed the Board that Tulpehocken Township has invested in a camera for their sewer lines. He will speak with them to find out if we may be able to enter into an agreement with them to possibly use this camera if the need arises.

Kevin Stupp –Nothing at this time.

Business Manager Report-

Erin Kreitzer reminded the Board that she needs ethics forms from Harold Gruber, John High, Jeremy Brumbach, and Elizabeth Magovern as well as any other of their solicitors who may be attending our meeting.

Solicitor Report – Solicitor Magovern stated all items will be covered on the agenda.

Engineer Report –

A motion was made by Kevin Stupp to have McCarthy Engineering prepare the final copies of the Chapter 94 reports conditional upon changes submitted by Kevin Stupp and to have Harold Gruber sign these final reports. The motion was seconded by Robert Lingle, all agreed and the motion was passed.

BTMA Meeting – March 2019 Report

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

1. New Development Project Review
 - a. McCarthy issued Review #2 for RAR2 – Bethel Industrial LLC located at Old Route 22 and Court Street in January. A revised plan set has not been received

- b. McCarthy issued Review #1 for Vesper – Bethel Business Park in January. After discussion with developer and solicitor, the Etchberger tract, which is the location of the proposed Bethel Business Park, was acquired by Vesper when Central Logistics was acquired, and was named in the original sewer capacity agreement with Vesper. The capacity agreement purchased 122 EDUs. Central Logistics and West Run are to have 50 EDUs each per the approved sewer module, leaving 22 for the Bethel Business Park.
 - c. West Run Distribution Center - Duke Realty has submitted a cost estimate for development of an improvements agreement for the construction of the force main extension East of Fort Motel Drive from the existing Inline Cleanout #11 at the intersection of Central Logistics Blvd. and Fort Motel Drive, as well as for the building lateral to Lot #1. McCarthy issued a review letter and comments. Lots #2 and #3 will be constructed at a later date.
 - d. Daub Road Warehouse Concept Plan – McCarthy responded to the request by Maser Consulting for a will serve letter. Further information regarding potential flow and intension to construct the sewer extension to the Frystown or Bethel collections systems is required.
2. 2018 Chapter 94 Reports
- a. McCarthy will issue and submit final Chapter 94 Reports with consideration to Authority member comments by the end of the month.

Plant Maintenance-

Erin Kreitzer read the plant maintenance report submitted by Ed DeMille. Emptied solid waste from screw conveyor, cleared high level alarm at Bethel Plant due to clogged screen, lift gates per Justin to allow waste water to by-pass clogged screen, plowed snow and removed snow from cat walks, checked all equipment is operating correctly, repaired light fixture at Bethel, mounted snow plow, washed truck, replaced battery at Lancaster Avenue generator, added antifreeze for both generators, purchased new muck buckets, and repaired axle on the snow blower.

Unfinished Business

Midway Industrial South-A motion was made by Harold Gruber to sign the land development plans for Midway Industrial South. The motion was seconded by Kevin Stupp, all agreed and the motion was passed. A motion was made by Kevin Stupp to have Harold Gruber, Robert Lingle and himself sign the escrow account papers for Midway South Industrial. The motion was seconded by Robert Lingle, all agreed and the motion was passed.

New Business

John Brown-John Brown attended the meeting to discuss the line that he needs to put in to connect his property for gravity flow. He informed the Board that according to the Township's ordinance he feels it is not his responsibility to have to put in that line because his hookup is not on his property. It was explained to Mr. Brown from our engineer and solicitor that we are not operating under the Township's code that we are operating under the Municipalities Authorities Act and that it is his responsibility to do this. Engineer McCarthy again explained to Mr. Brown that he requested a waiver of the municipal authority standards which was granted previously to him.

John Light-John Light addressed the Board regarding his property at 491 Frystown Road. He informed the Board that his tenant went to prison and that there were vagrants living in the property that he was unaware of. He also informed the Board that there is no power or heat there and that Zoning Officer Robin Royer has condemned the residence. He wanted to know if he could have his sewer fees waived as well as previous paid months reimbursed that he has already paid for. Engineer McCarthy and Solicitor Magovern informed Mr. Light that if he is still connected he will still have to keep paying his monthly fees. The only way to not be paying is to have his line capped off, inspected by the Authority engineer and then to be connected again he will have to pay a \$75.00 fee. Mr. Light, therefore, will not be reimbursed any previous payments.

Bethel Business Park-We received a request for sewer capacity letter from HRG regarding Bethel Business Park. It was noted that in a prior agreement dated March 2017 that 122 EDU's were allocated for the entire project. Solicitor Magovern will contact Attorney Steve Buck regarding EDU's and how they will disperse previously allocated EDU's throughout all phases of the project and to be included in future sewer capacity agreements

Passed Engineering Bills-A motion was made by David Younker to have our solicitor's office send out a notice to 2071 Camp Swatara Road that they will need to pay their outstanding engineering bill in 30 days or we will need to take legal action against them. The motion was seconded by Robert Lingle, all agreed and the motion was passed.

Payment of Bills

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

Adjournment

John High made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Kevin Stupp seconded the motion, all agreed and the motion was passed. The meeting adjourned at 8:28 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Erin Kreitzer