

Bethel Township Municipal Authority  
Meeting Minutes  
September 4, 2019

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Harold Gruber at 7:03 p.m. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. The roll call was taken.

In attendance were John High, David Younker, Robert Lingle, Harold Gruber and Kevin Stupp. Also in attendance were Solicitor Elizabeth Magovern, Engineer Jeremy Brumbach 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 August 7, 2019 meeting. The motion was seconded by John High, all agreed and the motion was passed. A motion was made by David Younker to approve the joint meeting minutes of August 7, 2019. The motion was seconded by Robert Lingle, 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 –Nothing at this time.

Kevin Stupp-Nothing at this time.

Business Manager Report-Erin Kreitzer reported that she received an email from Mike Kreiser and that the Berks Park 78 flows are back to normal. Also they are having priming issues at the Bethel pump stations and Select Environmental will be stopping by those stations at least two times a week to check on this.

Solicitor Report –Solicitor Magovern stated that she had the Flying J Frystown Plan expansion and reimbursement agreement and that Flying J has within 5 days after execution of the agreement to pay us \$100,000 to start the permits and plans needed for this expansion. A motion was made by John High to authorize Harold Gruber to sign the expansion and reimbursement agreement with Flying J. Robert Lingle seconded the agreement, all agreed and the motion was passed.

Engineer Report –

**BTMA Meeting – September 2019 Report**

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

**1. Pump Station Metering Upgrades**

- a. Total estimated cost to install meters and yard water for both pump stations is estimated to be \$122,193.75

Plant Maintenance-Randy Haag reported that he has not seen any trouble with any priming problems at the Lancaster Avenue pump station. Pump one at Old 22 had a bad flapper which was replaced. Powerton Generators came out a few times over the past month and the motor is now running good. He also reported that they once again cleaned the screens at the Frystown Plant. He also reported that the aux. pump fittings are all loose and greased. Randy informed the Board that they are taking the truck to Stork Snow Plow tomorrow morning to get it ready for the Winter plowing season. Randy also reported that he found a suspicious bucket with sewage in it at the plant like someone had been dumping after hours. A motion was made by John High to authorize Randy to buy a trail camera and have it installed to see if we can catch who is doing this. The motion was seconded by Kevin Stupp, all agreed and the motion was passed.

### Unfinished Business

Timothy Bordner (22 Legion Drive)-The agreement was done between BTMA and Mr. Bordner, however, some of the terms need to be changed to include him paying late charges. Solicitor Magovern will make these changes and overnight these documents to Mr. Bordner.

Genero Palumbo (8424 Lancaster Avenue)-Engineer Jeremy Brumbach informed the Board that Mr. Palumbo will need 6 more EDU's (he currently has 1) for his pizza place. Jeremy has spoken with Mr. Palumbo on the phone, but will get a written letter out to him of what is required.

White Oak Investments, LLC.-A motion was made by Kevin Stupp to authorize Harold Gruber to sign the sewer capacity agreement with White Oak Investments, LLC. The motion was seconded by Robert Lingle, all agreed and the motion was passed.

Dieffenbach's-Erin Kreitzer informed the Board that she had received an email from Mike Kreiser asking what we are doing to monitor and check on Dieffenbach's and their grease issues. Mike Marlowe from Dieffenbach's attended the meeting and informed the Board that they have been doing random grab tests to check on their grease discharge and that they have not failed any tests. Engineer Brumbach will contact Mike Kreiser and inform him of this and also ask him if he can think of any other way to monitor this issue.

### New Business

DCED Grants-Engineer Brumbach will look into applying for these grants.

Vesper-The Vesper agreements are being notarized and we will be receiving a copy of these as soon as our Solicitor receives them. We are also still in a 90 day moratorium until the BOS works on redoing the ordinance to change the mandatory hookup.

Gilbert & Chieko Bashore (21 Legion Drive)-We received a judgement against the Bashore's in 2015 and we need to transfer the judgement for \$4,630.25 or we will lose it in May of 2020. A motion was made by Kevin Stupp to authorize our Solicitor's office to transfer the judgement against the Bashore's to the court of common pleas. The motion was seconded by John High, all agreed and the motion was passed.

Delinquent Accounts-David Younker questioned what we can do to make sure these accounts don't get so high. Solicitor Magovern informed him that we made a resolution in 2018 (2018-08) that we would put a lien on a property after 6 months past

due and a civil action against a customer after one year past due.

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. The motion was seconded by David Younker, all agreed and the motion was passed.

Adjournment

Kevin Stupp made a motion to adjourn the meeting. John High seconded, all agreed and the motion was passed. The meeting adjourned at 8:08 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Erin Kreitzer