

Bethel Township Municipal Authority  
Meeting Minutes  
September 2, 2020

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 Brown, John High, Robert Lingle, Harold Gruber and David Younker. 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 August 5, 2020 meeting. The motion was seconded by David Younker all agreed and the motion was passed.

Member Report –John Brown – John inquired about a discussion that was had at the last meeting. He wanted to know if a customer would disconnect their sewer lines because they wouldn't be occupying a property for quite some time will they have to repay the \$7,500.00 to reconnect to the sewer line. Solicitor Magovern stated that they would not have to repay.

John High – Nothing at this time.

Robert Lingle –Nothing at this time.

Harold Gruber –Nothing at this time.

David Younker-Nothing at this time.

Business Manager Report-Erin informed the Board that she had talked to Mr. Riehl at 1981 Camp Swatara Road and he wanted to know if the Board would consider taking a \$30.00 bad check fee off of his account. Discussion followed and it was decided the fee will remain on his account. Erin also informed the Board that she has a customer at 417 Frystown Road and she has been having trouble getting the bill to the correct person as the owners feel the responsibility of this bill falls upon the person who was renting from them. After much discussion it was decided she will send the bill to the owner who is listed on the deed. Erin also informed the Board that Mike Kreiser from Select Environmental had a request from Septic Solutions that we would take 1 to 2 loads of holding tank waste a month from a camp nearby. Engineer McCarthy stated that he talked to Mike and they will be taking this waste to another township.

Solicitor Report – Solicitor Magovern stated all items that need to be covered are on the agenda.

Engineer Report –A motion was made by David Younker to authorize Erin Kreitzer to send a letter to Jesse Alspaugh regarding the spreading of manure in the detention basin at the Bethel Plant (Item#7 on engineer's report). The motion was seconded by John High, all agreed and the motion was passed.

**BTMA Meeting – September 2020 Engineers Report**

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

1. Frystown WWTP Upgrade
  - a. McCarthy has drafted a modification to the current NPDES permit to allow for an increase in discharge from the existing wastewater treatment plant to Little Swatara Creek. Permit will be submitted to DEP on September 3, 2020.
  - b. McCarthy has submitted to PA DEP the Part II Water Quality Management permit application for the Frystown WWTP upgrade. Permit is currently under review by DEP.
2. North Point Development
  - a. Donald A. Haas, of Bogia Engineering, submitted a revised sewer planning module to request a decrease in the number of EDUs required for the development. Upon review from McCarthy, the request was denied based on the calculations not including a peaking factor.
3. Weiler Management (429 Frystown Road) EDU determination
  - a. Weiler Management (429 Frystown Road) proposes a “Baked Sweet Coffeehouse and Bakery” at the location. The property is currently allocated 2 EDUs. McCarthy Engineering will require the purchase of 1 additional EDU for a total of 3 for the property.
4. RAR2 Land Development
  - a. Pre-construction meeting was held the afternoon of August 5, 2020 via Zoom. No issues or concerns.
5. Palumbo Pizza
  - a. Sewer Capacity and Metering Agreement was sent to owner on August 19, 2020.
  - b. Agreement was based on discussion during the August 5, 2020 BTMA meeting.
6. Escrow Release
  - a. Central Logistics
  - b. West Run
7. Manure Spreading in Detention Basin at Bethel Wastewater Treatment Plant

Plant Maintenance-Randall Haag informed the Board that all routine maintenance was done on the plants. Also, there was some problems on August 14 with the phone lines at Old 22 and a call was placed and Verizon fixed the problem. Randy also informed the Board that he and Ed have painted all the manholes along Old 22 near Dieffenbach's so they know where all of them are for the future. On August 20 Septic Solutions came and pumped out the pump stations so if we need to take any more samples, we shouldn't have sediment problems. They also primed the pumps. There was another phone problem on August 25, this time at Frystown and a call was again placed to Verizon and it was fixed. Randy also informed the Board that on 24<sup>th</sup> he lifted the lid at Old 22 and there was a strange dark substance in the water, but that it was not from Dieffenbach's, it is fine now. He also told the Board he is still waiting to get with Daub Welding to get the stainless-steel box fixed from last month. A motion was made by John High that as soon as we have money available, we will get wells dug at our two pump stations. The motion was

seconded by John Brown, all agreed and the motion was passed.

#### Unfinished Business-

Genaro Palumbo-Mr. Palumbo and his wife attended the meeting to ask the Board if he will need to start paying his new monthly user fees right away and Solicitor Magovern stated it is covered in his agreement that he will not need to start paying until his certificate of occupancy permit is issued. A motion was made by Harold Gruber to approve the sewer capacity agreement with receipt of the \$15,000.00 tapping fee with Mr. Palumbo and for the Board to sign off on this agreement. The motion was seconded by Robert Lingle, all agreed and the motion was passed.

RAR-2-See Engineer's report.

Northpoint-See Engineer's report.

Duke-Central Logistics & West Run Distribution Center-A motion was made by Harold Gruber to release \$43,850.00 of the \$52,650.00 current financial surety for a remaining balance of \$8,800.00 for Central Logistics Park, Central Boulevard. The motion was seconded by Robert Lingle, all agreed and the motion was passed. A motion was made by Harold Gruber to release \$13,000.00 of the \$27,000.00 current financial surety for a remaining balance of \$14,000.00 for West Run Distribution Center. The motion was seconded by John High, all agreed and the motion was passed.

#### New Business

Weiler Management, LLC.-A motion was made by John Brown to have our Solicitor's office prepare a sewer agreement for Weiler Management, LLC. to purchase an additional EDU (they currently have 2) for the expansion of their coffeehouse and bakery. The motion was seconded by Robert Lingle, all agreed and the motion was passed.

NPDES Permit Modification-Frystown expansion-A motion was made by David Younker to authorize Harold Gruber to sign the NPDES permit modification for the Frystown Plant expansion and to submit the \$500.00 permit fee. The motion was seconded by John High, all agreed and the motion was passed.

#### Payment of Bills

John Brown 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 John High, all agreed and the motion was passed.

#### Public Comment-None

#### Adjournment

John Brown made a motion to adjourn the meeting. David Younker seconded, all agreed and the motion was passed. The meeting adjourned at 8:13 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Erin Kreitzer