Bethel Township Municipal Authority  
Meeting Minutes  
October 7, 2020

The meeting was called to order by Vice Chairman David Younker at 7:01 p.m. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. The roll call was taken.

In attendance were John Brown, John High, and David Younker. Harold Gruber and Robert Lingle were absent. 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 John Brown to approve the minutes of the September 2, 2020 meeting. The motion was seconded by John High all agreed and the motion was passed.

Member Report – John Brown – Nothing at this time.  
John High – Nothing at this time.  
Robert Lingle – Absent.  
Harold Gruber – Absent.  
David Younker-Nothing at this time.

Business Manager Report-Erin Kreitzer informed the Board that 22 Legion Drive’s bills have been paid in full.

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

Engineer Report – A motion was made at last month’s meeting to use some of the incoming funds from Northpoint to get wells drilled at our two pump stations. Engineer McCarthy will take care of getting this scheduled now that we have the funds.

BTMA Meeting – October 2020 Engineers Report
The Bethel Township Municipal Authority Engineer activity for the month is as follows:

1. North Point Development  
   a. Dan Zuk, of NorthPoint Development, has signed the sanitary sewer improvements agreement, submitted a check to BTMA in the amount of $420,000.00 for the sewer tapping fee, and provided escrow through Bethel Township LOC for the project.  
      McCarthy reviewed several submittals for the sewer installation.

2. Dieffenbach’s Flow Monitoring  
   a. McCarthy Engineering and Randy Haag met on site with Mike Marlowe to discuss the process Dieffenbach’s uses to wash their potatoes and to determine if the wash water would be allowed to be enter the BTMA sewer system. Currently, no wash water from the cleaning enters the BTMA system. Dieffenbach has a separate storage tank on site for
the wash water which is hauled away on an as needed basis. We agreed to have them send all wash to BTMA and will examine data after a month of testing is complete.

3. Frystown WWTP Upgrade DEP Part II WQM/NPDES Permits
   a. DEP notified McCarthy Engineering that additional testing of the wastewater treatment effluent discharge will be needed before issuing the permits. McCarthy has been in contact with Suburban Testing Labs and will begin the additional monitoring on October 9, 2020 for a period of five (5) days. Results will be forwarded to DEP upon receiving them

4. Central Logistics
   a. Working to complete remaining items, dedicate to BTMA, and start 18-month monitoring program.

5. West Run
   a. Working to complete remaining items, dedicate to BTMA, and start 18-month monitoring program.

6. Maintenance Items at Pump Station and WWTPs
   a. Should we authorize these items.

Plant Maintenance-Randy Haag reported to the Board that they did their normal monthly inspections of plants and pump stations. Keystone Pest Control was there on October 3. Screens were washed at the Bethel plant. There were some problems with the pressure gauges at the Bethel plant, they were cleaned and now working good. Randy met Jim McCarthy at Dieffenbach’s and discussed their procedures. On September 28 he got a call about some problems at 92 Legion Drive and after looking into this, it was determined it was a blockage and was the owner’s responsibility and not BTMA’s. There was also a problem with a pump that went down and it will need to be replaced. A motion was made by John High to purchase this pump and get it installed. The motion was seconded by John Brown, all agreed and the motion was passed.

Unfinished Business-
   Northpoint-We have received a signed sewer capacity agreement and the check. A motion was made by John High to accept the signed sewer capacity agreement and to have Harold Gruber sign the agreement. The motion was seconded by John Brown, all agreed and the motion was passed. A motion was made by David Younker to accept the signed sewer improvements agreement and to have Harold Gruber sign the agreement. The motion was seconded by John Brown, all agreed and the motion was passed.

   West Run Distribution Center/Central Logistics-Both of these locations are being worked on to complete outstanding items that need to be done for dedication to BTMA and start an 18-month monitoring program. A motion was made by David Younker to rescind last months motion to release $13,000.00 of the $27,000.00 current financial surety for a remaining balance of $14,000.00. The motion was seconded by John High, all agreed and the motion was passed. A motion was made by John High to authorize our Solicitor’s office to prepare dedication agreements for Central Logistics and West Run. The motion was seconded by John Brown, all agreed and the motion was passed.
New Business
8380 Lancaster Avenue (Carl Zimmerman)-Erin informed the Board that the Zimmerman’s asked to be placed on the agenda to discuss disconnection at their property, however, they were not at the meeting. They have informed BTMA that the copper pipes inside the house are gone and were questioning paying the monthly usage fee. The Board discussed this matter and said if the customer wants to have everything disconnected outside and then inspected that is fine. John Brown informed the Board he will discuss this with the customer.

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

Public Comment-None

Adjournment
David Younker made a motion to adjourn the meeting. John High seconded, all agreed and the motion was passed. The meeting adjourned at 7:34 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Erin Kreitzer