

Bethel Township Municipal Authority
Meeting Minutes
April 6, 2022

The meeting was called to order by Vice Chairman, David Younker at 7:02 p.m. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. The roll call was taken.

In attendance were David Younker, Robert Lingle, and John High. John Brown and Harold Gruber absent. Also, in attendance were Bill McMullen, Arro Consulting, Solicitor Elizabeth Magovern and Secretary Erin Kreitzer.

Public Comment on Agenda Only –Judy Apgar attended the meeting to ask the Board about the Frystown Treatment Plant expansion. She wanted to know who was funding the expansion project. Solicitor Magovern informed her that Flying J is funding the project and that any warehouses that connect will have to pay a reimbursement connection fee to Flying J.

Approval of minutes - A motion was made by John High to approve the minutes of the March 2, 2022 meeting. The motion was seconded by Robert Lingle, all agreed and the motion was passed.

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

Business Manager Report – Erin Kreitzer informed the Board that we received a dividends check from our insurance company for \$2,797.20. Also, we have applied for the Low-Income Household Water Assistance Program (LIHWAP) and been excepted.

Solicitor Report – Solicitor Magovern informed the Board that the Township agreed to amend the Act 537 on the North side of 78.

Engineer Report –
Bill McMullen informed the Board that he had a quote from Descoco for \$6,437.50 to remove the pine trees at the Frystown plant (price to include stump grinding, tree removal and chipping, landscape and seed. A motion was made by Robert Linge to accept the proposal from Descoco for \$6,437.50. The motion was seconded by John High, all agreed and the motion was passed.
270 Midway Road who is currently being billed 25 EDU's will need to purchase an additional 55 EDU's from the Authority and a sewer capacity agreement is being worked on.

1. Frystown Treatment Facility Upgrade

ARRO personnel continue to be in communications with the Owner's (Flying J) designer (Dutchland, Inc.) and BTMA staff as needed.

ARRO has distributed a copy of the site plan for the project.

A pre-construction meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, April 6, 2022 at 8:30 a.m. at the project site.

ARRO requests direction on how much on-site time is expect from ARRO during construction. We would anticipate that we would be onsite for all buried facilities, excavation, foundation/tank construction, etc. We would then do part-time inspection of items exposed to view. If BTMA desires more or less we can revise accordingly.

Attorney Magovern instituted communications with Flying J regarding replenishing the escrow funds with an additional level of \$50,000.00.

2. Land Development Plans

Note: All Land Development project correspondence will be forwarded to the developer/consultant and the Authority under separate cover.

A. 270 Midway (former Prologis)

The consultant provided information regarding connection of the guard house grinder pump discharge line to the existing low-pressure sewer discharge line.

A Non-residential Sanitary Sewer User Questionnaire was received for the parcel from a representative of Amazon. The questionnaire lists 800 potential employees and therefore a requirement for a total of 80 EDU's. There are currently 25 EDU's allocated to the project. The Amazon representative was contacted regarding the need to purchase an additional 55 EDU's for the parcel. The \$449,353.85 fee for the 55 EDU's calculates as a reimbursement of \$36,853.85 (\$670.07 per EDU) to the original installer of the facilities and the BTMA tapping fee of \$412,500.00 (\$7,500.00 per EDU). ARRO reviewed and commented on the draft Sewer Capacity Agreement for the additional EDU's. The agreement was finalized by Attorney Magovern's office and forwarded to the owner's representative by ARRO.

B. Bethel Burger King

ARRO provided BTMA and members e-mails with slope information of the sewer main in the area of the Burger King tap.

C. Camp Swatara Road (Vesper) (No change from previous report.)

Attorney Magovern's office has been communicating with Vesper's Attorney regarding release of escrow funds for the project. Based on the timeline it appears appropriate to release all remaining construction escrow funds to the developer.

The EDU release/commitment document was prepared by Attorney Magovern's office and forwarded to Vesper for execution by them and the new parcel owner. We are not aware of this agreement being signed and returned to Attorney Magovern's office.

D. Dermody (9024 Old Route 22) (No change from previous report.)

Comments regarding the sanitary sewer facilities for proposed tenants on the parcel were forwarded to the developer and/or the developer's consultant. The review correspondence indicates that the facility will need to provide pre-treatment facilities prior to discharging to the BTMA system. The developer's engineer contacted ARRO and discussed the status of their Non-residential Sewage Discharge Permit. They are finalizing their new sampling and will be submitting the results and any pre-treatment facilities in the near future.

E. Airstate Group LLC (9237 Old Route 22 (No change from previous report.)

An e-mail was forwarded to the Owners representative restating the need for BTMA to receive the executed Sewer Capacity Agreement and tapping fee prior to providing BTMA's final approval for the project. To our knowledge payment of the EDUs and executed Sewer Capacity Agreement has not been received by BTMA.

3. General Engineering

- A. The disconnect of Dieffenbach's grease trap was witnessed by ARRO and BTMA personnel on March 8, 2022. ARRO provided a report under separate cover.
- B. ARRO prepared the Chapter 94 Reports for the Bethel and Frystown Wastewater Treatment Facilities. The reports were signed by an authority member and submitted to PADEP in advance of the March 31, 2022 submission deadline.
- C. ARRO is to provide a cover letter to Erin to include along with the Non-residential Sanitary Sewer User Questionnaire. Now that the Chapter 94 Report season is behind us, we anticipate the cover letter will be provided to Erin shortly.
- D. ARRO will be implementing/establishing a program regarding requirements for non-residential user reporting of wastewater discharge strength and a review of discharge volumes.

Plant Maintenance-Randy Haag informed the Board that there was an oil spill at Old 22 when the internal seals popped, but that Gorman Rupp was there to repair them. Also Gorman Rupp did their yearly service. AH Moyer was there to fix the back wash valves. Ditchcreek was called to inspect the Burger King line. Ditchcreek informed Randy Behney that the lowest part of the line is where Burger King is hooked up and they blew out the line, but aren't concerned that Burger King will be a problem. Culligan was there for their yearly maintenance. Randy Haag also informed the Board that he has pictures of the capped off line from Dieffenbach's in case anyone wants to see what was done. Randy Haag also reported that they haven't replaced the muffin monster yet and that they are waiting for warmer weather. He also reported that they cleaned all the grease on the air blowers at both plants and that a mixer had to be replaced by Burkholder and dropped back into Bethel.

Unfinished Business –

New Business-

Austin Showalter 99590 Old 22)-Mr. Showalter asked to be placed on the agenda to discuss his outstanding account, but did not attend the meeting.

Frystown Treatment Plant-This was discussed in the engineer's report.

270 Midway Road-This was discussed in the engineer's report.

Resolution 2022-07-A motion was made by Robert Lingle to accept resolution 2022-07 to amend the rules and regulations governing the administration and operation of the BTMA sewer system. The motion was seconded by John High, all agreed and the motion was passed.

Peterman (Lot 1 Legion Drive)-Erin Kreitzer informed the Board that it has been a year since we made a motion that the Peterman's have one year to either develop on their property or get a building permit and they haven't done this. A motion was made by John High to authorize our solicitor's office to draft a letter to the Peterman's letting them know they need to do something with this undeveloped lot. The motion was seconded by Robert Lingle, all agreed and the motion was passed.

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 Robert Lingle, all agreed and the motion was passed.

Public Comment –None

Adjournment -John High made a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Robert Lingle, all agreed and the motion was passed. The meeting adjourned at 7:48 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Erin Kreitzer