

Bethel Township Municipal Authority
Meeting Minutes
Held August 2, 2023

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Harold Gruber at 7:02 p.m. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

The roll call was taken. In attendance were Robert Lingle, John High, John Brown, and Harold Gruber. Also, in attendance were Solicitor Michelle Mayfield, Engineer Bill McMullen.

Public Comment on Agenda Only –None

Approval of minutes *A motion was made by Robert Lingle to approve the minutes of the July 12, 2023 meeting. The motion was seconded by John High, all agreed and the motion was passed.*

Member Report

John Brown – Nothing at this time.

Harold Gruber – *Mr. Giorgio would like a key to the bethel pumping station for his landscaper to blow out the leaves. John Brown made a motion to have HVML prepare agreement for key. The motion was seconded by John High. All agreed and the motion was passed.*

John High – Nothing at this time.

Robert Lingle – Nothing at this time.

Business Manager Report – Nothing at this time.

Solicitor Report – Nothing at this time.

Engineer Report

1. Frystown Treatment Facility Upgrade

To date, Flying J representatives have not contacted our office for project closeout documents. Flying J representatives indicated on June 26th that they would be forwarding documents to our office for the pump station to replace their treatment facility that week for review. To date, we have not received any information.

We were made aware of the need to either feed one of the trains running at the WWTF or shut down one of the two currently running. Because we have no definitive schedule for when Flying J would connect our recommendation at the July meeting was to shut down and clean old unit 2 and keep the new train (unit 3) running. The cost to shut down and clean the unit was estimated at that time to be in the range of \$4,000.00 to \$8,000.00, depending on the

amount of waste to be hauled.

Since the July meeting, AWS received a quote from Marlin M. Nolt for \$4,080.00 to conduct the cleaning and a price of \$0.11 cents per gallon for waste disposal.

A quote of \$4,288.00 for cleaning (3 hours minimum estimated) and including an initial 6,500 gallons of waste disposal was received from Wind River Environmental. Over three hours of cleaning would be \$621.66 per hour and over the 6,500 gallons would be \$0.0775 per gallon. The math of hourly rate, estimated hours, estimated gallons pumped and cost per gallon are not in line with the cost presented in the quote.

We recommend the proposal of Win driver Environmental (Kline's Services) be accepted by the Authority conditioned on verification of the scope of work and cost outlined.

Harold Gruber made a motion to have Marlin Nolt conduct the cleanout and waste disposal at Frystown. The motion was seconded by John Brown, all agreed and the motion passed.

2. Land Development Plans

A. RLP Martha LLC

The revised Sewer Capacity Agreement for 16 EDU's and acknowledgement of the PennDOT HOP, prepared by Attorney Magovern's office, was forwarded to the developer's consultant.

The developer's consultant contacted our office regarding the gallons per day per EDU and the calculation of EDU's. We responded to the consultant via e-mail and provided a copy of the BTMA Rules and Regulations regarding EDU calculation.

B. Airstate Group, LLC – 9237 Old Rt 22

We provided a submittal review for the meter vault. ARRO personnel were on-site for the installation of the lateral and tap into the low-pressure sewer.

3. General Engineering

A. An application for the connection of a two-unit structure at 9555 Old Route 22 was received from Leroy Zimmerman. The agreement, as revised, and the tap fee was received by the Authority.

B. We have not received the requested Prologis Non-residential Sanitary

Sewer User Questionnaire to assist in determining the allocation of the existing 34 EDU's between the parcels located at 60 Central Boulevard & 100 Fort Motel Drive (formerly known as West Run Lot 1).

- C. As requested, AWS operations personnel were requested to do a review of the Frystown basement area on Mondays.
- D. AWS personnel will be purchasing a replacement refrigeration unit for the effluent sampler at the Bethel WWTF.
- E. The environment insurance information request was received at the July meeting and will be completed and returned to Bobbi.
- F. Following communications with Bobbi and AWS ARRO arranged with H & K Group to turn on the ball valve servicing the low-pressure sewer for the warehouses on Fort Motel Drive.

Plant Maintenance –

Plant maintenance report provided by Ike.

Motion made by John Hight to approve a spending limit of \$500 for Ike to buy supplies for the plants. The motion was seconded by John Brown, all agreed and the motion was passed.

Unfinished Business

John Brown made a motion to add Jacob Meyer to the municipal authority board. The motion was seconded by John High, all agreed and the motion was passed.

Promax has completed the fence repair.

Althouse nursery quote has been signed for tree replacement. They may remove the trees ahead of time per board members.

New Business – Nothing at this time

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 – *Harold Gruber made a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by John Brown, all agreed and the motion was passed. The meeting adjourned at 7:33 pm.*

Respectfully submitted,

Bobbi Westhafer

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