

MUNICIPAL AUTHORITY MINUTES

The Municipal Authority of the Borough of Bedford met at 11:00 a.m. on the above date with Members Larry Johnson, Michael Taylor and Chris Bullington present. Wastewater Superintendent Gregg Grace, Borough Manager Barbara Diehl and Timothy Cooper, P.E. of Stiffler, McGraw & Associates, Inc. were also present. Solicitor Dean Crabtree arrived at 11:02 am. Water Department Assistant Superintendent Brad Foor was also present. Absent were Authority Members Aaron Berkebile and Scott Moxley, Borough Secretary Beverly Geller and John Clabaugh, P.E.

Motion by Mr. Taylor, seconded by Mr. Bullington, to approve the Minutes of the January 19, 2016 regular meeting. Motion approved by unanimous vote (3-0).

Motion by Mr. Taylor, seconded by Mr. Bullington, to approve the list of checks from January 19, 2016 to February 15, 2016 that were paid from the Borough of Bedford's Fund-08 Sewer Account and the Municipal Authority's Fund-10 Account as well as the list of unpaid Municipal Authority Fund -10 Account Invoices. Motion approved by unanimous vote (3-0).

Motion by Mr. Taylor, seconded by Mr. Bullington, to approve the February 16, 2016 Treasurer's Report and Requisition #2-2016 to transfer \$85,378.75 from Fund 10 into Fund 08 Checking Account at First National Bank. Motion approved by unanimous vote (3-0).

Sean Bardell and Tonya Grimes was present on behalf of DBI to discuss the possibility of a dam removal (off of Anderson Street). Mr. Bardell explained the request to the Authority with regards to the potential kayak use within the Borough and the downtown traffic/revenue this could generate. Mr. Foor (on behalf of the Water Authority) emphasized his (their) concerns with this dam removal and the reasoning behind his comments. The Municipal Authority has an abandoned like under this dam and did not foresee any issues, however both the Water Authority and Joel Hershberger (from utility services) had major lines running through/near this dam and was concerned on the outcome from the removal of this dam. After much discussion, Mr. Bardell and Mrs. Grimes commented that they would take this information back to their DBI committee for further discussion.

Manager Diehl commented that she is finishing the 2015 Data Request for the Chapter 94 Report and will submit it to Mike McClain at Stiffler McGraw & Associates prior to the next meeting.

Manager Diehl reminded Authority Members to submit their annual Statement of Financial Interests forms to the Borough office.

Manager Diehl updated Authority Members on the utility service conversion to MUNILINK and the 2015 Audit process with Wessel & Company.

Manager Diehl reminded the Authority that she would be in State College on March 16th through March 18th for PML training.

Motion was made by Mr. Taylor, seconded by Mr. Bullington, to concur with Borough Council and the Water Authority's hiring of Misty Hizer as Assistant Borough Secretary. Misty will begin employment on Monday, February 22, 2016. Motion approved by unanimous vote (3-0).

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT:

1. Plant influent flows are slowly returning to near normal after the snow melt.
2. On February 10 the representatives from Sherwin Williams visited the plant again concerning the UV paint problem. They said upon review the room should have been originally been painted with a urethane paint. They will return in about two weeks to paint a test area on the wall and will need to wait another month to check the test area for proper adhesion. After which they will be able to make a recommendation to fix the problem.
3. Air Management has repaired the boiler flue and vent lines. The boiler controls will be reset this week. The reset would have happened last week but had to be postponed due to a lack of digester gas needed to run the boiler for several hours. The invoice has mistakenly been sent covering all the work agreed upon. I would recommend the invoice be approved and payment be held until the control reset is completed this week.
4. The chemical mixer timer was installed by Waltower Enterprises on Monday February 15.
5. Just recently I have found the paint has again begun to peel off the ceiling in the SBR building stairwell. This last repaint had looked good however the problem has returned. Apparently a longer time period was needed to review the work. It's probably been nearly a year since the last (third time) repaint.
6. As previously mentioned Nicktown Fabrications has located a replacement pump seal for our SBR mix pumps and raw sewage pumps. The seal cost is \$750 as opposed to the \$2450 seals we have been purchasing from the manufacturer. I would recommend we try one of these seals. This could be a significant savings.

ENGINEER'S REPORT

1. WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT

- There are no new issues from our perspective regarding the lawsuit.

2. CONSENT ORDER & AGREEMENT (COA)/ I & I STUDY

- We have analyzed the data from the first round of metering and selected 11 locations for additional metering to be performed in the Spring. The meters will be installed in early March if the Authority agrees with the locations we have selected. A map has been prepared that shows the proposed meter locations.
- Internal televising of the sanitary sewers noted during our smoke testing and based on the results of the initial flow metering has been completed.
- Observation of flows in individual sewer laterals will be completed in the spring when groundwater levels are higher.

3. HIGHLAND DRIVE SANITARY SEWER REPLACEMENT

- Preliminary surveying is being done right now to start developing plans for the project. We will continue with the design and hope to advertise for bids by late Spring or early Summer.

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4. CHAPTER 94 ANNUAL WASTELOAD MANAGEMENT REPORT

- Mike McClain from our office will be continuing to work with Barb and Gregg to gather the information necessary to complete this report on the treatment plant operation that is due to DEP by March 31st.

Motion was made by Mr. Taylor, seconded by Mr. Bullington, to adopt Resolution 01-2016 – approving the establishment of a tapping fee pursuant to Act 57 of 2003. Motion approved by unanimous vote (3-0).

There being no further business, a motion to adjourn was made at 12:43 pm.