

February 21, 2024
7:00 PM

The regular meeting of Monroe Township Municipal Authority was called to order by Chairman Miller. The Pledge of Allegiance was said.

ATTENDANCE

Kevin Miller, Chairman

Bill Rudy, Engineer

Frank Sluzis, Solicitor

Bill Beck, Treasurer

Jeff Clay, Secretary

Karen Lowery, Recording Secretary

Derek Mongelli, Asst. Sec./Treas.

PUBLIC COMMENTS - None

MINUTES

On the motion of Mr. Clay, and seconded by Mr. Mongelli, and by unanimous vote of the members it was duly RESOLVED to approve the minutes of the January 17, 2024 reorganization and regular meeting.

OPERATIONS REPORT

On the motion of Mr. Beck, and seconded by Mr. Clay, and by unanimous vote of the members it was duly RESOLVED to approve the Operations Report.

CAPACITY REPORT

On the motion of Mr. Beck, and seconded by Mr. Mongelli, and by unanimous vote of the members it was duly RESOLVED to accept the Capacity Report.

FINANCIAL REPORT

On the motion of Mr. Mongelli, and seconded by Mr. Clay, and by unanimous vote of the members it was duly RESOLVED to approve the Financial Report.

LIEN/DEBT REPORT

Mr. Miller stated that account 671-0 was sold at a Sheriff Sale, so payment of \$8,500 was received.

On the motion of Mr. Beck, and seconded by Mr. Mongelli, and by unanimous vote of the members it was duly RESOLVED to approve the Lien/Debt Report.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT

Mr. Sluzis stated that account 828-0 is on the Sheriff Sale list and account 48-0 was sent a payment plan agreement. They are continuing to communicate with account owners to enforce payments.

On the motion of Mr. Mongelli and seconded by Mr. Beck, and by unanimous vote of the members it was duly RESOLVED to accept the Solicitor's Report.

ENGINEER'S REPORT

Mr. Rudy reviewed the report dated February 21, 2024. The DPW is continuing to camera the sewer line in White Rock to identify areas for the next project area. Chapter 94 data is due to Mechanicsburg and SMTMA soon. Control Systems 21 is to schedule the generator replacement. The flushing of the line in the Northern District was scheduled for 2024. Mr. Miller asked Mr. Rudy to provide a map showing the area to be flushed. Mr. Rudy will also work on getting a price.

Mr. Beck asked what area is White Rock is being cameraed? Mr. Rudy said they are looking all over. They pull manholes and camera is they see clear water flowing. They have identified some manholes that need spray rock done.

Mr. Miller mentioned the pump failure at Leidigh pump station and a previous discussion about purchasing a spare pump. Mr. Rudy said they are working on getting a price for a spare pump. Mr. Rudy added that there was a pump failure at the Mechanicsburg pump station and the pump is being repaired. Mr. Miller questioned if we need to start looking at this pump station since its around 20 years old.

On the motion of Mr. Clay, and seconded by Mr. Mongelli, and by unanimous vote of the members, it was duly RESOLVED to accept the Engineer's Report.

OLD BUSINESS - None

NEW BUSINESS - None

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Nicole Snyder, 1139 Kuhn Road mentioned the pump failure and asked if that could affect homeowners. Mr. Miller said each pump station has 2 pumps, so if there is a failure the other pump will pick up the slack. Ms. Snyder asked if there is a grant writer on staff or if a 3rd party is used. She suggested contacting GMS in Carlisle for assistance. South Middleton Township uses GMS and has been receiving a lot of grants. Mr. Miller stated that we have received 2 grants over the past few years and we the staff and our engineering firm to obtain grants. He added that we could explore other grant writing options.

Jenna Griffiths, 1149 Boiling Springs Road, Asked if we have considered building our own treatment plant. SMT a third of what our Southern District gets charged. And the Monroe Acres area is sending out information about rates rising. Mr. Miller stated that building a treatment plant is very expensive and would not lower rates, plus he doesn't believe that DEP would allow another plant to be built along the Yellow Breeches. The outstanding debt from previous projects is currently what is outstanding and we have been working to pay that debt down.

Janet Bohn, 1369 Shuman Drive, asked how approval can be given for new sewer in the area, but she had been told that everyone in the township would be connected and that hasn't happened. She would like to see a map of where there is sewer and where there isn't sewer. Mr. Miller said that it is costly to run sewer lines to areas that don't have a lot of homes and capacity would have to be available. The map would be part of the Act 537 plan.

STAFF COMMENTS

Jeff Clay stated that this would be his last meeting, as he is resigning from the Municipal Authority Board. Mr. Miller thanked him for his service over the years.

ADJOURN

On the motion of Mr. Beck, and seconded by Mr. Clay, and by unanimous vote of the members, it was duly RESOLVED to adjourn the meeting at 7:30 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Karen M. Lowery
Recording Secretary