

MINUTES
LOWER SWATARA TOWNSHIP MUNICIPAL AUTHORITY
AUGUST 25, 2008

Chairman Gingrich called the Regular meeting of the Lower Swatara Township Municipal Authority to order at 7:30 P.M. The record indicated the following officials in attendance:

- James R. Gingrich, Chairman
- James R. Brokenshire, Vice Chairman
- Charles A. High, Secretary
- Richard W. Wilkinson, Treasurer
- Donald Martino, Asst. Secretary/Treasurer
- Matthew D. Cichy, Engineer
- Peter R. Henninger, Solicitor
- Ronald J. Paul, Township Manager
- Leslie A. LaVia, Recording Secretary

Chairman Gingrich noted for the record that there were no visitors in attendance. Mr. Martino, seconded by Mr. Brokenshire, made motion to approve the minutes of the July 28, 2008 meeting. The motion was unanimously approved.

Engineer's Report: Mr. Cichy distributed his monthly written report. Mr. High, seconded by Mr. Brokenshire made motion to execute the Chapter 106 Water Obstruction and Encroachment Permit acknowledging the terms and conditions. HRG will finalize the project manual and construction drawings for the Farr Pump Station upgrade. Once the project manual and construction drawings are complete, the project will be ready to bid.

Mr. Cichy reported that discussions continue with York Building Products regarding their connection to the sanitary sewer system for their facility located on Fulling Mill Road. It was noted that Phillips Group is planning a building expansion. York Building Products is a large water user and the tapping/connection fee will be costly for them. A particular grinder which is used for polishing stone utilizes a large amount of water. Most likely York Building Products effluent will need pretreatment before entering the collection system to Derry Township's Southwest Treatment Plant. York Building Products will continue to research alternatives for connecting their facility to the sanitary sewer system.

Mr. Cichy informed the Board that Navarro & Wright Consulting Engineers are addressing HRG's comments on the Preliminary Plans for the Linden Centre. HRG is preparing an estimate for construction of the sanitary sewer improvements to compare against the estimate submitted by Navarro & Wright Consulting Engineers.

Manager's Report: Mr. Paul informed the Board that there has been no response to the letter to Phoenix Contact regarding the purchase of additional capacity. Mr. Paul stated that Phoenix Contact has been investigating why their water usage has been so high. Derry Township is aware that Phoenix Contact's discharge into the sanitary sewer system has increased considerably.

Mr. Paul informed the Board that a potential buyer is interested in purchasing property located on Fulling Mill Road and has inquired about the available capacity at the Southwest Treatment Plant. The potential buyer would need 135,000 gpd which equates to about 600 EDU's. Mr. Paul stated that he believes the interested party is a cleaning company and commented that pretreatment would most likely be required for this user. Mr. Paul stated that he would advise the potential buyer to put their request for capacity in writing to the Municipal Authority and the request would be submitted to Derry Township Municipal Authority.

Mr. Paul reported on the recent meeting with Highspire representatives regarding financing the Chesapeake Bay plant upgrades. Chairman Gingrich informed the Board that Von Hess, Highspire Borough Authority Chairman was planning on attending tonight's meeting with a list of political contacts. Mr. Hess stated that he would submit that list of names as soon as possible. To avoid duplication of efforts, Rettew will be putting the application together and HRG can review the application. It was noted that this Authority may want to do independent work and meet with Penn Vest representatives. Funding will be necessary for the Middletown Treatment Plant also. Mr. Cichy explained that the first grant money would be issued through the Department of Community and Economic Development. It was noted that the available Penn Vest money would not only be for the Chesapeake Bay upgrades, but also for improvements to water systems and for unsafe dam repair.

Mr. Henninger commented that Steve Huntzinger informed him that Middletown wants Lower Swatara Township's involvement in their grant process. It is imperative that the Authority stay on top of the funding process for both treatment plants.

Chairman Gingrich suggested the Authority contact a consulting firm and request a presentation at next month's meeting. Chairman Gingrich will contact Sam McCollough, a representative from the consulting firm. Mr. Cichy indicated that he would submit a letter to the Municipal Authority outlining HRG costs for their involvement in the funding process.

Mr. Paul stated that there was nothing new to report regarding the Lumber Street sewer upgrade. Changes were made to the agreement which reflected a breakdown of responsibilities by the developers and those provisions were rejected. It was noted that the developers need to have a separate agreement which addresses the developer's breakdown of their responsibility. Mr. Henninger faxed Kent Patterson an exhibit of the Reimbursement Agreement. It was noted that the planning module for the retirement community cannot be signed until the agreement between the developers and Highspire Borough Authority is signed and Reimbursement Agreements cannot be completed until the total cost of the Lumber Street upgrade is known.

Solicitor's Report: Mr. Henninger informed the Board that Middletown has appealed DEP's decision on their treatment plant permit. Middletown Borough Authority Solicitor and Mr. Henninger are still working on the proposed treatment agreement.

Mr. Henninger stated that once time has expired for the family opening the Strohm estate, Mr. Henninger can act on the Authority's behalf and open the estate. The family of the late Donna Lauck will be given time to contact an attorney regarding the opening of her estate. Mr. Henninger informed the Board that he gave Charles Lauck, the son of Donna Lauck, names of attorneys in the Gettysburg area who could advise the family in this matter.

Mr. Wilkinson, seconded by Mr. Martino made motion to approve the August expenses of the Sewer Revenue Fund in the amount of \$140,236.23. The motion was unanimously approved.

Mr. Brokenshire, seconded by Mr. Martino made motion to adjourn. The motion was unanimously approved and the meeting adjourned at 8:17 P.M.

ATTEST:

Leslie A. LaVia
Recording Secretary