

February 20, 2020 Minutes

The Telford Borough Authority Meeting held this date was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Chairman Timothy Hagey, with the following members in attendance: David Musselman and Robert Nice. Also present were Manager Mark Fournier, Public Works Director Gary Yoder, Solicitor Jim Jacquette, Engineer Patrick DiGangi and Recording Secretary Megan McShane. Abram Diehl and John Harrell were absent.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Minutes of the January 16, 2020 Authority meeting were approved unanimously (3-0) by a Musselman/Nice motion.

COMMENTS FROM AUDIENCE: There were no comments from the audience.

DISCUSSION ITEMS:

1. Bayard Estates – Franconia Township – Capacity Allocation

Manager Mark Fournier reviewed this proposed project, which is a 22-lot residential subdivision in Franconia Township that will generate 7,620 gallons per day and will be treated at Telford Borough Authority's WWTF. A Nice/Musselman motion carried unanimously (3-0) authorizing the signature of the Planning Module exemption request form for this project.

REPORTS:

TREASURER'S REPORT: Accepted as presented.

Mr. Fournier reported that the large \$731,723.89 expenditure to Fulton Bank was the loan payment for the Centrifuge project. He added that TBA has not received the revenue from the Lutheran Home expansion project since it hasn't started yet.

WATER DEPARTMENT REPORT: We received a written report for the file.

Public Works Director Gary Yoder reported that AC Schultes will be pulling out the pump at Well #5 on Friday, February 21st to take a look at it.

COLLECTION REPORT: We received a written report for the file.

Mr. Yoder and Collections Foreman Warren Harris are working on getting a quote to move the control panel at the south lift station. This is a budgeted item.

Chairman Timothy Hagey asked about the Return Merchandise Authorization referenced in Mr. Harris' monthly report, and which items were sent back to the manufacturer to be recalibrated and receive a software upgrade. Mr. Fournier clarified that it was data loggers that were sent back to the manufacturer.

WASTEWATER TREATMENT REPORT: We received a written report for the file.

Mr. Fournier reported that the WWTF crew installed a new mixer motor on Final Clarifier #1, and added that they replaced the love joy coupling at that time.

Mr. Fournier informed the Board that a new sensor for the polymer unit on the centrifuge was ordered because it was not communicating properly with the centrifuge.

PTWA REPORT: We received a written report for the file.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT: We did not receive a written report for the file.

Solicitor Jim Jacquette gave an update on the TMDL matter.

Mr. Jacquette then reported that he heard back from Indian Ridge Provisions promptly in response to the letter he sent regarding their high usage. He added that he had a good conversation with the son of the owner of the company, and he also got a call from the company's attorney.

There was further discussion on this matter and it was the consensus of the Board that the usage on this account will need to be monitored more closely, and a payment plan can be established for the tapping fee payment.

ENGINEER'S REPORT: We receive a written report for the file.

Engineer Patrick DiGangi informed the Board that he is currently working on MS4 reports for the TBA and PWTA wastewater treatment facilities. He is also currently reviewing revised plans for the Lutheran Home at Telford – Summerfield Project and should be submitting his 3rd review letters in the next day or two.

Mr. DiGangi also reported that a pre-construction meeting was recently held for the Coleman Project, which has started out on Progress Drive.

MANAGER'S REPORT: We received a written report for the file.

Mr. Fournier informed the Board that the audit is complete, and that we are getting ready to sell one of the TBA dump trucks. Mr. Fournier reported that TBA could trade in this truck, sell it on Municibid, or sell it direct to another municipality, adding that Souderton Borough has expressed interest in it. Mr. Hagey directed Mr. Fournier to find out what Souderton Borough would be willing to pay for the dump truck, and the Board will consider their offer and get back to them.

Chairman Timothy Hagey stated that he would like the Board to go over to Well #1 at next month's meeting to take a look at the work that's been done.

OTHER BUSINESS:

Payment of the bills and requisitions for the month of January in the amount of \$1,161,776.76 was approved unanimously (3-0) by a Nice/Musselman motion.

Signing of the checks was approved unanimously (3-0) by a Nice/Musselman motion.

PENDING ITEMS:

- Site visit to Well #1 at the March meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:08 pm by a Nice/Musselman motion.

Respectfully submitted,

Mark D. Fournier

Assistant Secretary