

March 24, 2021

A general meeting of the Sewer Authority of the Borough of Minersville was held Wednesday, March 24, 2021. Chairman Thomas Eltringham opened the meeting with the flag ceremony at 7:00PM.

ATTENDANCE

The following members attended the March meeting- Jeremy Olenick, Jeff Enders. Thomas Eltringham, Rich DiBiase, Al Bobinas, Authority Engineer Don Cuff, Sewer Plant Manager Ray Sukeena, Manager Bob Mahalchick and Councilman Steve Darosh.

MINUTES

Mr. Bobinas made a motion, second by Mr. Enders to approve the minutes from February 2021. The motion passed as presented.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Mr. Enders made a motion to approve the February Treasurer's Report. Mr. DiBiase seconded the motion. The motion passed as presented.

VISITORS

There were no visitors at the March 2021 meeting.

ENGINEER'S REPORT

Mr. Enders made a motion, second by Mr. Olenick to approve Change Order #1 for the Laurel Street Project in the amount of \$7,200 to replace 80 feet of storm line with 24-inch pipe. The motion passed as presented.

Mr. Bobinas made a motion, second by Mr. Enders to approve Application #2 for the Laurel Street Project in the amount of \$4,856.00. The motion passed as presented.

Mr. Enders made a motion to approve Change Order #1 for the Generator Project in the amount of \$28,744.17 to Cedar Electric to replace the service line into the plant as directed by PP&L. The motion passed as presented.

Mr. DiBiase made a motion to approve Application #2 for the Generator Project in the amount of \$66,510.00 to Cedar Electric for the purchase of the generator. The motion passed as presented.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT

The Solicitor was not present at the March meeting.

SEWER OPERATOR'S REPORT

Mr. Sukeena presented a written report to the Authority.

Mr. Sukeena reported both pumps failed at the Heritage Heights Pump Station. The auto dialer alarm system was wiped out and the pump failure was not immediately known. The alarm system needs to be replaced as soon as possible. Mr. Bobinas made a motion, second by Mr. DiBiase to approve the quote from Melbourne Electric in the amount of \$12,600. The alarm will go into the current SCADA system. The motion passed as presented. Mr. Sukeena reported that currently the alarm is a landline with Verizon, which will need to be changed to cell service with AT&T.

Mr. Sukeena will have the price for a new pump for the next meeting. Mr. Mahalchick recommends purchasing a new pump and having both the pumps involved rebuilt. Additionally the raw sewage from the event impacted the pond of Al Reber. Mr. Reber has algae growth and loss of his fish. Mr. Enders made a motion, second by Mr. DiBiase to purchase services to monitor the impact to the pond. On the question, Mr. Bobinas questioned if Mr. Reber has insurance. Mr. Mahalchick will check. The motion passed as presented. Mr. Cuff stated it might take a year for the pond to recover. He will consult with the Solicitor.

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Mr. Enders questioned the progress on the ongoing problem on Church Street. Mr. Enders believes the property owner may have damaged the line when he installed a fence. Mr. Sukeena stated that Mr. Carvajal is handling the problem. Mr. Mahalchick will check with the Code Enforcement Officer on his progress with the issue.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Mr. Sukeena stated he would be checking with Wynosky trucking on the progress on the Ron Bowers sewer line issue.

OLD BUSINESS

There was no Old Business to discuss.

Mr. DiBiase made a motion to adjourn. Mr. Enders seconded the motion.

Respectfully Submitted,

Gloria Capik, Secretary