

Upon reaching a Quorum, at 7:20 PM Chairman Jeff Enders called the meeting to order, and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Roll call was taken with the following members present Jeff Enders, Jon Miller, Jeff Warfel and Tim Neiter. Jeff Gonsar, Ken Hoover and Carl Bohner were absent. Solicitor Joe Kerwin, Engineers Justin Medinsky, Logan Jury, Operators Derek Grosser and Shane Schadel were also in attendance along with Citizen Tammy Blain.

BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR

- A. Citizen Tammy Blain touched base on a few topics:
1. Whose responsibility do grinder pump repairs fall under? Engineers advised, assuming grinder pump issues are not a result of homeowner negligence, damage and/or inappropriate use, the Authority will maintain/repair the grinder pumps, for the term of the PENNVest loan. Loan is a 20-year loan though the Authority reserves the right for early pay-off.
 2. Inquired about a hard copy of the Authority Rules & Regs found on the website since it is over 300 pages to print out. Engineers advised very little of those 300+ pages are related to Homeowner responsibilities.
 3. Questioned the fact that a neighbor's pump had a "white pipe" coming off their grinder pump where hers does not have this. Determined it was likely an additional, not required, cut off valve.
 4. Expressed frustration with Doli- while, once again, they did not provide the required 3-day notice prior to working on her property, she was not overly concerned with that. What was especially offensive is the fact that she gave the workers water twice and they left enough trash behind that filled up a small bag.

SECRETARY'S REPORT

Jon Miller moved to approve the secretary's report. Jeff Warfel seconded the motion; the motion was carried unanimously.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Jeff Warfel moved to motion approve the treasurer's report. Jon Miller seconded the motion: the motion was carried unanimously.

ENGINEER'S REPORT

See HRG Engineer's Report at the end of the minutes.

- A. WWTP Upgrade- See Engineer's Report
- B. Sewer Extension Project-
1. PENNVEST Payment Request #14 for the Halifax Area Water and Sewer Authority's Sewer Extension Project is \$504,430.57 and includes interest costs, engineering fees, and construction costs. Tim Neiter moved to approve PV Request #14. Jon Miller seconded the motion; the motion was carried unanimously.
 2. Coordination of tapping fee payment tracking, Notice to Connects, inspections, etc. HRG to schedule a meeting with Secretary/Treasurer next week.
 3. Doli has proposed to discontinue work within SR225 during the winter months and resuming in the spring. This will extend the Project Contract Times beyond the substantial completion date of November 2024. Further review and discussion needed. Restoration to restored payment is expected prior to winter months.
 4. Dollar General and Horning's need scheduled in yet.
- C. Sycamore Ridge- No new project activity.
- D. Halifax Commons- HRG providing additional assistance in water system operation and available pressure. Plan resubmission is expected.
- E. 5th and Armstrong Street Water Project-

1. No schedule currently in place, winter is coming.

F. Misc Items:

1. Lead Service Line Survey is still in process. Per EPA 3 years to identify, 10 years to complete repairs/replacement.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT

1. Multiple agreements signed/completed or pending drop off.
2. Solicitor Kerwin & Chairman Enders met to discuss constituents attempting to claim exemption waivers to avoid connecting to the sewer extension. Currently, it appears that the cited waivers are not comparable/applicable. Lines at properties whose owners are refusing will be capped until resolved through legal action/court proceedings. Letters of documentation are being drafted for these select property owners. It was noted/discussed that both the Halifax Borough and Halifax Township have ordinances in place supporting this project, at the requirement of the EPA.

OPERATOR'S REPORT

Operator Derek Grosser reported: Meter replacement at 3 Dustin Drive; mowed 2 times; samples pulled; two curb boxes replaced; Kline sludge pick-up; Multiple PA One Calls; cleaning out around wells; two water accounts shut-off for nonpayment; one is back on.

OLD BUSINESS

1. Service Truck purchase tabled from previous meetings, pending funding.

Jeff Warfel moved to table Service Truck purchase pending further budget review. Ken Hoover seconded the motion; the motion was carried unanimously.

Jeff Enders moved to motion approve the purchase of an additional service/commuter truck (Approx \$50K). Tim Neiter seconded the motion: the motion was carried unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

None.

APPROVAL OF BILLS

Jeff Warfel moved to approve payment of the bills as presented. Jon Miller seconded the motion; the motion was carried unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT

Tim Neiter moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:15PM. Jon Miller seconded; the motion was carried unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,

Hoover Financial Services
Secretary