

At 7:02 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 Gonsar, Tim Neiter, Ken Hoover and Carl Bahner. Jeff Warfel was not present. Solicitor Joe Kerwin, Engineer Logan Jury, Operators Jeff Grosser, Derek Grosser, Logan Stiely and Shane Schadel were also in attendance. Citizens in attendance: Ernie Schreffler of Parmer Drive and Tammy Blain of Sycamore Avenue.

BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR

1. Citizen Ernie Schreffler expressed dissatisfaction with his consideration of property size (3 acres) vs an adjoining neighbor on Ronnie Lane of one acre and the connections requirements. Also questioned the financial aspects of the project- loan, grants, tapping fees, etc. Inquired about specifications regarding the required stone, amp size, etc. Engineer Logan Jury to have Chris, the onsite HRG point person, contact Mr. Schreffler direct to provide clarification. Mr. Schreffler also advised that the staff at HRG have been wonderful to work with and was also very positive about his interactions with Doli.
2. Citizen Tammy Blain clarified inspection prices. (\$100 Lateral inspection fee & \$150 OLDS abandonment inspection fee). Mrs. Blain shared with the Board her concerns with a few water issues: a.) the inside meter & outside meters do not match- 6.8 on the inside, 6.76 on the outside: 4K gallon difference (this is not uncommon- due to spider webs, dust, etc) and b.) her most recent water bill reflected usage of 21k gallons which is significantly higher than it has been without additional usage, leaks or problems.

SECRETARY'S REPORT

Ken Hoover moved to approve the Secretary's report. Carl Bahner seconded the motion; the motion was carried unanimously.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Tim Neiter moved to approve the Treasurer's report. Jeff Gonsar seconded the motion: the motion was carried unanimously.

ENGINEER'S REPORT

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

1. Sewer Extension Project-
 - a. PENNVEST Payment Request #19 for the Halifax Area Water and Sewer Authority's Sewer Extension Project is \$168,393.89 of interest costs and construction costs.

Jon Miller moved to approve PV Request #19. Ken Hoover seconded the motion; the motion was carried unanimously.

- b. Doli is anticipated to get rolling again towards the end of March/beginning of April. The second wave of NTC letters will be issued once Doli gets started again.
2. 5th & Armstrong Street Water Project
 - a. No activity projected until Spring.
 - b. See HRG Engineer's Report
 3. Halifax Commons:
 - a. No report, no activity
 4. Rise Street Beverage
 - a. See HRG Engineer's Report
 - b. Preliminary/Final LD plan has been submitted to Halifax Township. Revisions are anticipated.
 - c. System capacity verification (by letter) has been requested.
 - d. EDU assignment needs to be calculated, pending more information.

5. Misc Items: Grant Funding Opportunities

- a. CFA LSA application has been submitted for a proposed water main replacement along Peter's Mountain Road.
- b. SRBC application has been submitted for a proposed water meter replacement project.
- c. CFA 2025 Grant year opens with applications due 04/2025. Potential projects are being reviewed with financial requirements limiting to Borough projects.

SOLICITOR REPORT

Grinder Pump Agreements drafted and submitted to Chairman Enders for signature.

CONSULTANT REPORT

Jeff Grosser suggested there are several projects in town that could be considered.

OPERATOR'S REPORT

1. CLEANED/INSPECTED WATER METER @3399 PETERS MOUNTAIN ROAD
2. UNFROZE METER/REPLACE BOTTOM @3371 PETERS MOUNTAIN ROAD
3. CLEANED SCREEN @ WASTEWATER PLANT
4. DUG UP REPLACED MANHOLE BASE/LID @ INTERSECTION OF RISE AND 3RD STREET
5. KLINES 5 LOADS OF SLUDGE
6. ZOOKS 5 LOADS OF SLUDGE
7. PULLED CHOLIFORM SAMPLES
8. WORKED WITH LOGAN (HRG) MATERIALS FOR CH. 94 REPORT

OLD BUSINESS

A. Non-Residential EDU calculations for new sewer connections.

Chairman Enders, Engineer Jury and prior Consultant Bob Kissinger met to discuss historical EDU calculation in conjunction with HAWASA Rules & Regulations. It was determined that there are no options to deviate from the current calculation guidelines, until such time as a consumption study could be done and usage meters considered. In the case of RockSTART Quality Christian Daycare, a non-profit 501c3 organization, requesting tapping fee waivers or reductions, HAWASA is unable to do so. In consideration of their unique situation of non-profit status with limited funds, coupled with the fact that PennVEST funding is available only for residential clients, HAWASA can offer a payment plan.

B. Solicitor Kerwin provided Resolution 2024-03 for Assistant Secretary/Treasurer with signing privileges.

Tim Neiter moved that Resolution 2024-03 be approved to add council member Jeff Warfel as the Assistant Secretary/Treasurer to the Board. Jon Miller seconded the motion, and the motion carried unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

A. Late Fee waiver request on account #00440: Approved as a one-time courtesy by Chairman Enders.

B. Generalized Public Question: "Can the NTC deadline be extended for a residence that is up for sale?"
There are no provisions for NTC deadline extensions; extensions are not available.

APPROVAL OF BILLS

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

ADJOURNMENT

Jon Miller moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:06PM. Ken Hoover seconded; the motion was carried unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,

Hoover Financial Services
Secretary

