

COLLIER TOWNSHIP MUNICIPAL AUTHORITY

MINUTES

REGULAR MEETING – THURSDAY, December 14, 2006

A regular constituted meeting of the Collier Township Municipal Authority was held on Thursday, December 14, 2006, at the township building and was called to order at 6:00 P.M. by Daniel J. Oberleitner, Chairman. Due to Board member commitments, the meeting time was advertised as changed from the regular 7:00 PM start time.

Roll call listed the following members present:

Daniel J. Oberleitner, Chairman
William Godfrey, Vice Chairman
Dan Fotovich, Secretary – 6:05 PM
Joseph Miorelli, Treasurer
Ed Smith, Assistant Secretary/ Treasurer – arrived at 6:20 PM

Also present:

Michael B. Kaleugher, Esq.
Marlin Bartos, NIRA
Carmel W. Taylor, Office Manager
Bebe Iagnemma, Office Assistant

PUBLIC: Paul R. Miller, 1175 Noblestown Road approached the Board prior to the meeting regarding 90-day notice to connect, requesting an extension in order to not connect during the winter. Paul R. Miller was instructed to submit his request in writing.

Bryan Muraco, Project Manager for Stambrosky Homes Development, reviewed the plans for a development near the intersection of McMichael and Ridge Road. The Board will meet privately with the developer after NIRA compiles cost estimates.

On motion of Miorelli, seconded by Godfrey, the Minutes of November 9, 2006 were approved as submitted. Motion carried Oberleitner – yes, Miorelli – yes, Godfrey – yes, Fotovich - yes.

With the approval of the Treasurer, seconded by Godfrey, the Treasurer's Report for November 2006 was approved as submitted. Motion carried Oberleitner – yes, Miorelli – yes, Godfrey – yes, Fotovich - yes.

With the approval of the Treasurer, seconded by Godfrey, additional bills paid in November 2006 totaling \$236,139.96 and bills paid in December 2006 totaling \$271,206.00 were authorized for payment. Motion carried Oberleitner – yes, Miorelli – yes, Godfrey – yes, Fotovich - yes.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT:

At the advice of the Solicitor and on motion of Fotovich, seconded by Miorelli, the Board approved the write off of balances less than \$200.00 on flood-damaged properties demolished by the Township of Collier. Motion carried Oberleitner – yes, Miorelli – yes, Godfrey – yes, Fotovich - yes.

Ed Smith arrived to the Board meeting at 6:20 PM

Godfrey asked if the problem had been addressed regarding the trees that were not balled correctly and subsequently died on the McArdle property at 58 Cowan Road. Discussion ensued. The Chairman instructed the Engineer to arrange to have the trees replaced.

ENGINEER'S REPORT:

Regarding the Phase 1B Cowan/Upper McMichael Sewer Extension Project, there is no change in status. Final payment No. 5 was issued to Independent Enterprises, Inc. on November 16, 2006 in the amount of \$11,384.66.

Concerning Phase 1C Cowan/South Cowan Sanitary Sewer Extension Project, Partial Payment Request No. 1 was issued to Independent Enterprises, Inc. on November 21, 2006 in the amount of \$188,904.96. Independent Enterprises, Inc. has basically completed the manhole and pipe line installation. Several miscellaneous restoration items and testing remain most likely to be completed, in Spring 2007.

The Engineer and contractor continue to discuss the new pay items regarding the Baldwin Road line revisions and bituminous driveway replacements. With the approval

of the Engineer, on motion of Fotovich, seconded by Miorelli, the Board approved Payment Request No. 2 in the amount not to exceed \$109,607.16 to Independent Enterprises, Inc. Motion carried unanimously. NIRA will issue a notice of the actual amount when it is determined.

Project issues to be addressed include: McArdle two (2) trees and final lawn restoration Spring, 2007, shoot and chip Baldwin Road, Slack driveway, McGuire driveway, and testing.

The Phase 1 Administrative Consent Order Dye Test Program Contract is complete with the exception of the final report. Previously approved, Payment Request No. 2 to C & K Industrial Services, Inc. in the amount of \$13,375.12 is withheld pending receipt of the final report.

The Phase 2 Cleaning and Video Project (Thoms Run) Contract work is complete. At the recommendation of the Engineer, on motion of Godfrey, seconded by Fotovich, the Board approved Payment Request No. 2 to Jet Jack, Inc. in the amount of \$27,605.20 and approved Change Order No. 1 in the amount of \$1,552.53. Motion carried unanimously. NIRA will issue payment recommendation and change order when completed for processing.

There is no change in status regarding the 3 Rivers GIS/GPS mapping data. The Engineer is awaiting the mapping data.

A review of the video tapes shows signs of structural decay on the interior of Ductile Iron Pipes on the lower portion of the Thoms Run Interceptor behind Chartiers Valley Shopping Center. At least one (1) section of line shows several decayed holes in the pipe causing inflow into the system. There is a total of approximately 2,840 linear feet that may be affected. Although only one (1) section identifies holes in the pipe, the short/long term structural stability of the remaining Ductile Iron Pipe on the lower portion is questionable. Discussion ensued. The Engineer was instructed to check on any warranties on the pipe. On motion of Miorelli, seconded by Fotovich, the Engineer was authorized to prepare specifications for a bid to repair the line. Motion carried unanimously.

The Engineer is preparing Miscellaneous Maintenance and Repairs Project for 2006/2007.

There is no change in the status regarding the Colecrest/Prestley Line Replacement. The field survey has been completed; the plans and specifications and easements are on hold.

Regarding the Arby's Sewer Blockage, the Engineer advised there is no status change. The Engineer is in the process of scheduling investigation of grease trap users contributing to the Landgraf line.

Regarding the Delfred Drive Storm and Sanitary Sewer Project, Sangro, Inc. has completed the Delfred Drive sewer project, with the exception of the final lawn restoration to be completed in Spring, 2007. Sangro, Inc. submitted Partial Payment Request No. 1 in the amount of \$77,789.25, including Change Order No. 1 in the amount of \$6,704.92.

The Char-West COG issued the Local Share Invoice with the County CD Funds to be paid (less 5%) in the amount of \$46,676.35, and the Local Share to be paid in the amount of \$31,112.90. NIRA recommended payment of the Local Share in the amount of \$31,112.90 (part of which will be reimbursed by the Township of Collier.) On motion of Godfrey, seconded by Fotovich, the Board approved payment to COG in the amount of \$31,112.90 and authorized the Engineer to calculate the Township portion. Motion carried unanimously.

Due to conflicts with the existing water line depths, it was necessary to replace the existing 18 inch sanitary sewer pipe to a point where the new 15 inch pipe grades would clear the water lines. The DEP/COG Contract Documents limits any change in the Contract to a maximum 10% of the Contract Price. CTMA agreed to replace the bituminous driveways out to Delfred Drive and agreed to extend the 6 inch storm pipe to 106 Delfred Drive. These additional items and the additional storm inlets are now included in the Revised Change Order which equates to approximately an 8.5% increase in the Contract Price. The costs of the 18 inch storm pipe is not included in the Revised change Order and must be paid separately and directly to the Contractor. Chairman Oberleitner asked for a timeline for the remaining restoration. The Engineer informed him that lawn restoration would need to wait until Spring 2007 but that everything else should be done quickly.

The Engineer advised there is no change in status regarding the Washington Pike Rehabilitation Project. The final Closeout Documents have been submitted to 3 Rivers Wet Weather.

Regarding the Carnegie Presbyterian Church lateral, the Engineer advised the Connection Application and tap-in fee have been received and the Application is being processed.

There is no change in the status regarding the Vanadium/Route 50 Lining Project. The Engineer is preparing to close out the project.

The Engineer is awaiting the Maintenance Bond regarding the Charlton Thoms Run Sewer Extension.

Regarding the Mancini Ewing Road Sewer Extension, the Engineer advised that Mancini has completed the manhole pipe installation. Restoration is to be done in Spring 2007 in addition to the work associated with the existing manhole. Payment, less 10% for manhole materials, was issued to Mancini on November 28, 2006 in the amount of \$6,865.21.

Regarding the Linden/Spirik Pump and Force Main, the Engineer advised he is waiting for the Lakewood Mechanical start-up documents. Nancy Linden invited the Board and staff to an open house at her home on December 16, 2006 to see the pump in operation.

Construction of internal sanitary sewers is on hold for the Centennial Pointe Project. The contractor, Cornerstone, has completed the force main along Baldwin Road. The Engineer is awaiting execution of the Developer's Agreement and Bonds.

There is no change in status regarding Neville Manor. Phase II sanitary sewer construction has been completed. The existing line inspection and testing are complete.

The construction of the internal sanitary sewer at Tuscany Ridge is on hold.

The Summit Ridge construction, Phase 2 and 3 internal sanitary sewers are on hold

Bryna Ridge construction of internal sanitary sewers has been completed. Several Punch List items remain to be completed.

There is no status change regarding Capital Builders installation of a manhole for service to 108 and 110 McMichael Road. The Engineer is awaiting the test schedule.

Construction will start on the Colonial Ridge sanitary sewer extension in early 2007. On motion of Miorelli, seconded by Fotovich, the Board approved five (5) EDUs for the Colonial Ridge planning module subject to DEP consultation. Oberleitner – yes, Miorelli – yes, Godfrey – yes, Fotovich – yes, Smith – stepped out for a moment, no vote.

After discussion, on motion of Godfrey, seconded by Fotovich, the Board approved Resolution 12-14-06-01 effective January 2007 to raise CTMA rates to \$6.30 per thousand gallons and \$3.00 per month service charge subsequent to the Alcosan rate increase. Motion carried unanimously.

On motion of Miorelli, seconded by Godfrey, the Board approved the 2007 Operating Budget. Motion carried with Smith abstaining.

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS:

On motion of Miorelli, seconded by Fotovich, the Board authorized reinvestment of eight (8) PLGIT CDs maturing December 28, 2006 for one (1) year. Motion carried unanimously.

On motion of Godfrey, seconded by Miorelli, the Board declared the Manager's position vacant and authorized new applications for the position. Motion carried unanimously.

On motion of Godfrey, seconded by Fotovich, the Board declared the part-time Administrative Assistant position vacant and authorized new applications for the position. Motion carried unanimously.

On motion of Godfrey, seconded by Fotovich, the Board approved an increase in the employee dishonesty coverage to \$250,000.00 at an additional cost of \$246.00 per year. Motion carried unanimously.

There being no further business to discuss, on motion of Godfrey, seconded by Miorelli, the meeting was adjourned at 7:10 P.M. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Bebe Iagnemma
Acting Recording Secretary