

COLLIER TOWNSHIP MUNICIPAL AUTHORITY

MINUTES

REGULAR MEETING – THURSDAY JANUARY 9, 2014

A regular constituted meeting of the Collier Township Municipal Authority was held on Thursday, January 9, 2014, at the township building and was called to order at 6:33 P.M. by Dan Oberleitner, Chairman.

Roll call listed the following members present:

- Dan Oberleitner, Chairman
- Ed Smith, Vice Chairman
- Dan Fotovich, Secretary
- Gerhardt Egri, Treasurer
- Richard Ruffenach, Assistant Secretary/Treasurer

Also present:

- Michael Kaleugher, Solicitor
- Jim Nordquist, Engineer
- Patie Asturi
- Lori Thompson

PUBLIC: - None

On motion of Smith, seconded by Ruffenach, the Minutes of December 12, 2013 were approved. Motion carried. Gerhardt Egri– absent from the vote..

On motion of Smith, seconded by Ruffenach, the Treasurer’s Report for December 12, 2013 was approved as submitted. Motion carried. Gerhardt Egri - absent from the vote.

On motion of Smith, seconded by Fotovich, additional bills paid in December 2013 totaling \$62,197.66 and bills paid to January 9, 2014 totaling \$159,416.27 were authorized for payment. Motion carried. Gerhardt Egri – absent from the vote..

On motion of Smith, seconded by Ruffenach, the office staff timesheets from December 12, 2013 through January 8, 2014 were approved. Motion carried. Gerhardt Egri– absent from the vote..

SOLICITOR’S REPORT:

The Solicitor reviewed and discussed Smoke Testing Violations. Nineteen violations were found and letters were sent to the residents by certified mail.

The Solicitor discussed that since the postage rate will increase in February 2014 there will be an increase in the fee paid to Diversified Technology. The fee will increase by \$1,100.00 for 2014.

The Solicitor discussed with the Board the CTMA Rate increase for 2014. On motion by Oberleitner, first by Ruffenanch, seconded by Fotovich, CTMA rates will increase to \$10.10 per thousand gallons and the service charge will increase to \$4.25. Motion approved and accepted. Motion carried. New Rates will take affect in February 2014. Rate Resolution will be 02-01-09-2014-02.

ENGINEER'S REPORT:

A. 2013 Sanitary Sewer Repairs and Replacements

We are preparing Plans and Specifications to bid the following sites: Washington Pike Replacement; Vanadium Road Relining.

Robinson Run Realignment Site (No change in status.) – Obtained Verghies Easement and Allegheny County License Agreement. The Solicitor received Pittsburgh West Development executed Easement Agreement.

Vanadium Road Site (No change in status.) – The Solicitor received Barrows and Cyphers executed Easement Agreements.

Washington Pike Site – Obtained Temporary Construction Easement from Sunoco. The Temporary Construction Easement for Bridgeville Chamber of Commerce was sent to the Chamber, awaiting response. Jim Nordquist and Mike Kaleugher scheduled meeting with Dick Kasmer and Chamber Members on December 17, 2013. Chief among Chamber Members' concerns is access to not only the rear entrance to the building, but also the main front entrance. We are in the process of trying to minimize the construction limits.

Upon receipt of the Temporary Construction Easement from the Chamber, and with all other right-of-way issues now settled, the project can be bid as originally intended. Recommend issue for bids as single project, Spring 2014.

B. St. Andrews Pump Station Site and Access Drive Improvements

IEI completed approximately 85% of the project. Remaining items to be completed: fencing, guide rail, new gas service connection and remaining paving.

C. Hilltop Sewer Extension

A Pre-Construction Meeting was held on November 22, 2013.

Received remaining materials Shop Drawings. Strnisha Excavation, Inc. advised tentative start work Monday, January 13, 2014.

D. Miscellaneous

1. Baymont Sewer Realignment

W. D. Wright Contracting continues working sanitary sewer installation.

2. Centennial Pointe Sewer Extension

Frey Excavation completed working Centennial Drive Phase IA sanitary sewer installation. Air and vacuum tests complete, mandrel tests remaining.

Frey Excavation anticipates start work on Patriot Drive Phase IA sewer installation early in year 2014.

3. Cabbage Hill Smoke Testing

Insight Pipe Contracting, L.P. completed the Cabbage Hill Smoke Testing Program. A list of 19 residential violations has been forwarded to Mike Kaleugher for issuing violation notices. Due to unusual smoke emissions, additional CCTV video inspections and dye testing will be scheduled in the Colecrest, Prestley and Collier Avenue areas.

4. Pump Station Maintenance (No change in status.)

As a result of Duquesne Light Co.'s notice of increased charges (increase demand kW usage) for the Hilltop and St. Andrews Pump Stations, NIRA's Electrical Engineer field viewed and evaluated the Stations Electrical System and recommends the following:

Propose to contract with independent Electrical Contractor, e.g. Frankl Electric, Inc., to check/clean all relay contacts to insure proper working conditions (contact corrosion observed).

Install power demand meters (possibly supplied by Duquesne Light Co. or rentals) to determine how often the pumps are operating at increased current levels.

Install variable frequency drives (VFDs) to limit current surge and provide better control of the pumps. Probable estimated cost of this work is approximately \$12,000.00 per Station.

5. Preliminary Budget – Deferred till February 13, 2014 Meeting.

6. Lateral Rebate

We recommend a lateral rebate for the installation of a new wye and lateral at 4009 Thoms Run Road to Matt Mastarone in the amount of \$1,400.00 (See New Business, Item B).

7. Grand China Buffet (15.2 EDUs)

We received and reviewed the Sewage Facilities Planning Module (SFPM) for the Grand China Buffet, CVSC, as submitted by Trant Corporation. We have completed and processed CTMA's section of the SFPM. Received revised agreement from Kossman Development Co. on January 6, 2014, under review.

8. Cabbage Hill Trunk Line

On Wednesday, December 4, 2013, we received a phone call from property owner John Shay, through whose property runs the Cabbage Hill Trunk Line. Mr. Shay reported that there was evidence of a sanitary sewer break in the stream to which the sewer is adjacent. Subsequent investigation of the report has revealed that approximately 50 lineal feet of 12" pipe has been dislocated and lost. Bypass pumping and repair of the missing sewer is currently underway.

Gary Mancini Construction finished work on the Cabbage Hill Trunk Line Repair on December 26, 2013. An invoice was submitted in the amount of \$27,686.20 for time and materials. Payment is recommended. (See New Business, Item C).

9. CITF Grant Application

Colecrest-Darlington Sewer Replacement Project – The total estimated project cost is \$346,223.00 and the Grant request amount is \$173,111.50.

Although the previous Application for 2012-2013 Round 2, does not meet the eligibility criteria, this project cannot be funded at this time, due to the lack of available funding.

We recommend resubmitting the CITF Grant Application for 2013-2014 Round 1 to the Redevelopment Authority of Allegheny County.

A Resolution for the Grant request is required. (See New Business, Item D).

OLD BUSINESS: - None

NEW BUSINESS:

- A. Board to review Escrow Accounts and decide on how to proceed regarding monies due to Authority or refunds to Customer. The review of Escrow Accounts has been postponed until February 13, 2014 Board Meeting.
- B. Motion to approve lateral rebate to Matthew & Danyelle Mastarone, 4009 Thoms Run Road, Oakdale, PA in the amount of \$1,400.00. On motion by Oberleitner, first by Egri, seconded by Fotovich, motion approved and accepted. Motion carried.
- C. Motion to accept and approve Gary Mancini Construction payment in the amount of \$27,686.20 for time and materials for work on the Cabbage Hill Trunk Line. On motion by Oberleitner, first by Egri, seconded by Ruffenanch, motion approved and accepted. Motion carried.
- D. Motion to accept and approve Resolution No. 01-09-2014-01 requesting resubmitting CITF Grant Application for 2013-2014 Round 1 to fund the Darlington-Colecrest Sewer Replacement Project from the Redevelopment Authority of Allegheny County. On motion by Oberleitner, first by Egri, seconded by Ruffenanchi, motion approved and accepted. Motion carried.

There being no further business to discuss, on motion of Fotovich, seconded by Ruffenanch the meeting was adjourned at 7:30 P.M. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Lori Thompson
Recording Secretary