

COLLIER TOWNSHIP MUNICIPAL AUTHORITY

MINUTES

REGULAR MEETING – THURSDAY, JANUARY 12, 2017

A regular constituted meeting of the Collier Township Municipal Authority was held on Thursday, January 12, 2016, at the township building and was called to order at 6:30 P.M. by Dan Fotovich, Secretary.

Roll call listed the following members present:

Dan Fotovich, Secretary
Gerhardt Egri, Treasurer
Ed Smith – Assistant Secretary/Treasurer

Also, present:

Michael Kaleugher, Solicitor
Jim Nordquist, NIRA
Patie Asturi
Lori Thompson

Absent Members:

Dan Oberleitner, Chairman – Excused Absence
Richard Ruffennach – Excused Absence

PUBLIC: Corey & Renee Smiley 1274 Noblestown Road Oakdale, PA.
Attorney Lawrence Bolind (The Smiley's Attorney)

Mr. & Mrs. Smiley bought their house on 1274 Noblestown Road in March 2014. Shortly after the purchase a problem with the septic system became apparent. The septic tank is old and handmade and is failing. However, they were unaware that there is a limited leech bed and there was complaints of run off & odor before they purchased the property. The Smiley's are in litigation with the former owners of this property regarding the failing septic system. The Smiley's came to the Collier Township Municipal Authority to gain information on the possibility of connecting into the Municipal Sewage System. The Solicitor & Engineer explained to the Smiley's and their Attorney that the only connection is approximately 700' on the opposite side of the road. The Smiley' would need to acquire a HOP permit to bore into the road to tie into the sewer. They also would need to acquire appropriate recorded easements from their neighbors who' property this affects.

Sheryl Green 1202 Noblestown Road Oakdale, PA

Ms. Green is the trustee for 1155 Noblestown Road. The McHugh Properties LLC project need to tap into a manhole for this project. Her neighbor, at 1165 Noblestown Road, James Wisbon feels that this manhole is on his property but Ms. Geen is not sure of this fact. Ms. Green came to the Collier Township Municipal Authority to acquire information regarding this manhole. She wanted to know if this manhole is on her property does she have to grant Mr. McHugh an easement. The Engineer explained to Ms. Green that he has spoken to Mr. Wisbon, and after looking at the survey that was presented to him, the manhole does appear to be on Mr. Wisbon's property.

On motion of Egri, seconded by Fotovich, the Minutes of December 8, 2016 were approved. Motion carried. Ed Smith abstained.

On motion of Smith, seconded by Egri, the Treasurer's Report for December 8, 2016 was approved as submitted. Motion carried.

On motion of Smith seconded by Egri additional bills paid in December 2016 totaling \$55,106.77 and bills paid to January 12, 2017 totaling \$76,582.10 were authorized for payment. Motion carried.

On motion of Smith, seconded by Egri, the office staff timesheets from December 8, 2016 through January 11, 2017 were approved. Motion carried.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT:

The Solicitor discussed the Lateral Testing Resolution Requirements with the Board. Board to vote on motion for Resolution 01-12-2017-01 Lateral Testing Resolution Requirements. See motion in New Business.

The Solicitor discussed with the Board the motion to accept and approve the Publication of Meeting Date Notice as published in the Pittsburgh Post-Gazette due to the Tribune Review termination of Allegheny County Publication. See motion in New Business.

The Solicitor discussed with the Board the approval of appointing the Post-Gazette as the publication approved for legal notices to replace the Tribune Review. See motion in New Business.

The Solicitor discussed the approval of the lateral rebate of \$61,600.00 to Hiro Patel for the Prestley Heights Phase III Project. See motion in New Business.

The Solicitor discussed with the Board ALCOSAN's Clean Water Assistance Fund, administered by the Dollar Energy Fund, this program was created to assist qualifying families pay their sewage treatment bills. Since Collier Township no longer sends out a monthly newsletter to the residents; the information regarding this program will be on the Collier Township Municipal Authority's website.

ENGINEER'S REPORT:

Allegheny County Health Department (ACHD) Administrative Consent Order

NIRA submitted the required Progress Report to the Allegheny County Health Department by the December 1, 2016 deadline. The Report outlined the steps taken since the execution of the interim Consent Order toward compliance with the Consent Order and steps remaining. Recommendations for the draft Ordinance requiring dye testing and CCTV inspections of private sanitary sewer service laterals during property transfers have been provided to the Board for review and discussion.

ALCOSAN and 3 Rivers Wet Weather provided an update on source flow reduction and flow targets at a meeting on Thursday, January 12, 2017. Update at meeting.

Lateral Testing

Bids for the Sanitary Sewer Certification Testing Services Contract were opened on Tuesday, December 6, 2016. The Low Bidder on the Contract was Mister Sewer with a Low Bid for the combined dye and CCTV testing services of \$98.75 (\$74.01 each for dye tests, and \$24.74 each for CCTV video inspection). NIRA recommends award of the Sanitary Sewer Certification Testing Services to Mister Sewer.

Fully executed Contracts were returned to Mister Sewer on January 5, 2017. To date, there have been no applicants requiring camera inspection.

Neeb Street Sanitary Sewer Lining

Bids for the Neeb Street Sanitary Sewer Lining Contract were opened on Friday, October 7, 2016. The Low Bid received is from Jet Jack, Inc. in the amount of \$41,866.00.

Contractor began work on the Neeb Street Sanitary Sewer Lining project of Wednesday, November 23, 2016. The majority of the work is complete with lateral grouting and a repair of one segment of sewer that developed a wrinkle in the liner during curing remaining.

Discuss proposal for repair. Contractor noticed a wrinkle in the line due to the fact that the pipe runs from 10" to 8". Contractor would have no way to realize the change in the pipe size. Contractor asked for a change order for \$3,500.00. NIRA recommends a change order be issued for the repair for \$3,500.00. The Board agreed to the Change Order for \$3,500.00.

Sanitary Lateral Surface Discharge (No change in status.)

At the Board's request, additional dye testing and investigation into the claim of additional properties being connected into the sanitary lateral that was tied into CTMA's system from 5273 Thoms Run Road have been performed. A memo has been prepared regarding the results of the investigation for discussion.

Lift Station Maintenance

On Thursday, November 3, 2016, NIRA accompanied CWM Environmental and Bill Hamilton from the Allegheny County Health Department to CTMA's lift stations to perform inspections. Follow-up wet well cleaning has been scheduled and appears to be the only recommendation as a result of the inspections.

The wet well cleaning at the lift stations took place on Wednesday, December 6, 2016. NIRA field personnel visited the lift stations with the cleaning crew and made recommendations for additional efforts for more thorough cleaning, notably that debris was not being removed from the trash racks.

Pump No. 2 at the St. Andrews Lift Station was pulled and replaced with the spare pump by CWM Environmental on December 13, 2016. The failed pump was taken to Industrial Pump & Motor Repair for evaluation, where it was determined that the repair will involve a new seal kit, impeller, and repair kit at a quoted cost of \$3,032.88. For comparison, NIRA secured a budgetary estimate from the pump manufacturer's vendor in the amount of \$6,700.00. NIRA recommends replacement of the pump.

Ewing Road Slide

On August 11, a Utility Meeting was held at the site of the landslide that has occurred on Ewing Road in the vicinity of Neville Manor. It has been determined that, according to the preliminary repair plans prepared by Gannett Fleming on behalf of PennDOT, neither the Cabbage Hill Trunk Line nor the Cabbage Hill Sewer Extension should be impacted by the proposed work. One (1) manhole may require a slight grade adjustment for the final pavement restoration.

The Contractor for PennDOT began work on the slide repair on Monday, October 31, 2016. NIRA is coordinating the grade adjustment of the one (1) manhole necessary for the final pavement restoration.

The 4" paving ring was installed by PennDOT's contractor in early December. However, pavement restoration is not complete and did not extend to the adjusted manhole cover.

Route 50 Roadway Widening Project (No change in status.)

A utility meeting was held on September 22, 2016 at the proposed roadway widening project on Washington Pike. Preliminary plans were presented. Several manholes and subsequently sanitary sewer lines will be affected by the widening project.

NIRA has suspended work on design for sanitary sewer replacement for this project until a response from PennDOT regarding cost sharing is received.

7-Year Replacement Program

It is recommended that the 7-Year Replacement Plan, that was developed in 2012, be placed on hold for 2017 in order that funding may be reserved for a miscellaneous manhole repairs project, which has not been completed since 2011. NIRA will have the estimate for the February 2017 Board Meeting.

Miscellaneous

Matlak Force Main (no change in status)

NIRA received proposed changes to the alignment from J.R. Gales & Associates, Inc. on June 14, 2016. J.R. Gales & Associates, Inc. satisfactorily revised the Plans to address comments in NIRA's review letter subsequently issued on June 16, 2016 and an approval letter was issued on June 23, 2016.

Amalfi Ridge, Phase I (no change in status)

The Developer's Contractor, Neiswonger Construction, began construction for the sanitary sewers with the Amalfi Ridge Plan on Thursday, May 19, 2016.

As of November 23, 2016, all sanitary sewer for this project is installed. A preliminary punch list has been provided to the Contractor. Testing also remains.

Forza Collier (3 lot subdivision) (no change in status)

The Developer's Contractor, DAV Construction, began construction of the portion of the Upper Scotts Run sewer necessary to reach for Forza Collier Subdivision on Monday, May 23, 2016. As of Monday, June 6, 2016, all pipe, including the extension into the Development, has been installed. Testing remains.

The Developer's Contractor, DAV Construction, was issued a summary letter of deficiencies related to this extension on November 18, 2016.

Additional work was completed on December 23, 2016 and December 28, 2016. Items including testing remain.

Amalfi Ridge – Phase 2 (No change in status)

NIRA received plans for Phase 2 of the Amalfi Ridge Plan on October 20, 2016. A preliminary review letter was returned to the Developer's Engineer on October 31, 2016. A bonding and

escrow estimate letter was sent to Mike Kaleugher for use in drafting a Developer's Agreement for the project.

ADMINISTRATIVE COMMENTS: None

OLD BUSINESS:

- A. Review/Decision by motion regarding lateral connection invoicing for Mr. & Mrs. Ware for lateral connection correction on 5273 Thoms Run Road. Board decided to delay the decision until the February 2017 Board Meeting.
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PLANNING COMMISSION MINUTES: November 17, 2016 Planning Commission Minutes have been distributed; discuss any questions. Board had no questions.

NEW BUSINESS:

- A. Motion to enroll in Pennsylvania Municipal Retirement System (PMRS), effective January 1, 2017, with letter to be sent to PMRS designating effective date of enrollment for two office staff employees. On motion of Fotovich, seconded by Egri, motion was accepted and approved. Motion carried. Note: Ed Smith voted No on this motion. He recommended postponing the motion until February 2017 Meeting so he could acquire feedback from the Collier Township Commissioners regarding the Executive Session that was held to discuss this matter. Mr. Smith had received a phone call from the Collier Township Manager, regarding the Executive Session, but was unable to listen to call before the January 2017 CTMA Board Meeting.
 - B. Motion to accept and approve Resolution No. 01-12-2017-01 Lateral Testing Resolution Requirements. On motion of Smith, seconded by Egri, motion was accepted and approved. Motion carried.
 - C. Motion to accept and approve publication of meeting date notice in the Pittsburgh Post-Gazette. On motion of Smith, seconded by Fotovich, motion was accepted and approved. Motion carried.
 - D. Motion to accept and approve appointing the Pittsburgh Post-Gazette as the publication approved for legal notices to replace the Tribune Review. On motion of Smith, seconded by Egri, motion was accepted and approved. Motion carried.
 - E. Motion to accept and approve tap in lateral rebate to Hiroo Patel for Prestley Heights Phase III in the amount of \$61,600.00. On motion of Smith, seconded by Fotovich, motion was accepted and approved. Motion carried.
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There being no further business to discuss, on motion of Smith, seconded by Fotovich the meeting was adjourned at 7:30 P.M. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Lori A. Thompson
Recording Secretary