

COLLIER TOWNSHIP MUNICIPAL AUTHORITY

MINUTES

REGULAR MEETING – THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 14, 2013

A regular constituted meeting of the Collier Township Municipal Authority was held on Thursday, November 14, 2013, at the township building and was called to order at 7:05 P.M. by Dan Oberleitner, Chairman.

Roll call listed the following members present:

- Dan Oberleitner, Chairman
- Dan Fotovich, Secretary
- Gerhardt Egri, Treasurer
- Richard Ruffennach, Assistant Secretary/Treasurer

Nor present: Edward Smith – Vice Chairman

Also present:

- Michael Kaleugher, Solicitor
- Marlin Bartos, Engineer
- Patie Asturi
- Lori Thompson

PUBLIC: - None

On motion of Egri, seconded by Fotovich, the Minutes of October 10, 2013 were approved. Motion carried.

On motion of Egri, seconded by Ruffenanch, the Treasurer’s Report for October 10, 2013 was approved as submitted. Motion carried.

On motion of Fotovich, seconded by Egri, additional bills paid in October 2013 totaling \$17,387.62 and bills paid to November 14, 2013 totaling \$378,467.76 were authorized for payment.. Motion carried.

On motion of Egri, seconded by Ruffenanch, the office staff timesheets from October 10, 2013 through November 13, 2013 were approved. Motion carried.

SOLICITOR’S REPORT:

The Solicitor discussed the Encroachment Resolution which will be on the December Agenda. The Board needs to decide how to inform the Collier Residents regarding the Encroachment Resolution.

The Solicitor discussed the problem of Tap-In-Violations. The Board needs to decide on Collier Township Municipal’s Authority policy of enforcement regarding illegal Tap-Ins. The Solicitor has

drafted a Violation Notice which can be sent to the Residents. At the present time the fine for an illegal connection is \$5.00. The Solicitor recommended the Township raise the fine to a minimum of \$100.00 to a maximum of \$1,000.00.

The Solicitor informed the Board of the ALCOSAN Rate Increase for 2014. This matter was discussed during Executive session. Board will decide and vote on this issue at the December CTMA Board Meeting.

ENGINEER'S REPORT:

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 – Obtained Verghies Easement and Allegheny County License Agreement. The Solicitor received Easement (after condemnation) through Pittsburgh West Development property.
- Vanadium Road Site – 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.

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.

St. Andrews Pump Station Site and Access Drive Improvements

A Pre-Construction Meeting was held on site on Friday, October 11, 2013 and construction began the week of October 14, 2013. The project is approximately 75% complete with paving, fencing, guide rail and minor miscellaneous items remaining to be completed. IEI has not submitted a request for payment.

Hilltop Sewer Extension

Strnisha Excavation, Inc. submitted the executed Contract Documents on November 13, 2013. The Contract Documents need to be executed by the CTMA. An Pre-Construction Meeting will be scheduled soon.

Miscellaneous

Baymont Sewer Realignment (Cozza/Nevilleside Development)

W.D. Wright Contracting continues working sewer installation.

Centennial Pointe Sewer Extension

Frey Excavation continued working Phase 1A sanitary sewer installation on November 11, 2013.

Cabbage Hill Smoke Testing

Received five (5) proposals for smoke testing the Cabbage Hill Sewer System. The lowest proposal was received from Insight Pipe Contracting, L.P., in the amount of \$6,694.80. We have accepted Insight Pipe Contracting, L.P. proposal and the smoke testing should begin within several weeks. Insight Pipe Contracting, L.P. will hand deliver notices to the residents, and we will notify local fire and police departments. Smoke testing will start November 20, 2013. Violation letters will be mailed around January 1, 2014.

State Pipe Services, Inc. Completed the CCTV video inspection on selective sewer line sections in Cabbage Hill for an amount of \$2,310.00. The videos and reports are currently under review.

Pump Station Maintenance

As result of Duquesne Light Co.'s notice of increased charges (increase demand kW usage) for 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 cost of this work is approximately \$12,000.00 per Station.

Preliminary Budget

Engineer went over the preliminary budget for 2014. The board will further discuss at the December 2013 Board Meeting.

OLD BUSINESS: John Leininger, 1091 Gregg Station Road, May 28, 2013 ALCOSAN opened New Well Account for this property. Property was tapped into sewer line but not billed. Board decided at the July 11, 2013 meeting to wait until ALCOSAN back bills the Authority, going back (6) six years, in the amount of \$1,739.25. Board to decide by motion what amount and how many years to back bill customer. The board decided to charge Mr. Leninger CTMA's rate for each of the (6) six years plus the service charge. On Motion by Oberleitner, first by Ruffenanch, seconded by Fotovich, motion approved and carried.

NEW BUSINESS:

- A. Motion from Board to write off wastewater dues for Norma Bowland in the amount of \$122.54 and waive charging the \$3.25 monthly service fee charge to account. Board denied the motion.
- B. Motion to accept and approve Resolution No. 11-14-2013-01 Authorizing The Benefit Assessment against the properties served for the Hilltop Road Phase I Project. On motion by Oberleitner, first by Fotovich, seconded by Egri, motion was approved and accepted. Motion carried.
- C. Motion to approve lateral rebate to Christopher Gualazzi, 4 Langer Lane, Carnegie, PA for \$1,146.50. On motion by Oberleitner, first by Fotovich, seconded by Egri, motion approved and accepted. Motion carried.

There being no further business to discuss, on motion of Egri, seconded by Fotovich, the meeting was adjourned at 8:20 P.M. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Lori Thompson
Recording Secretary