

WEST GOSHEN SEWER AUTHORITY
REGULAR MEETING
January 9, 2020
7:00 PM

The regular meeting of the West Goshen Sewer Authority was held on Thursday, January 9, 2020 at the West Goshen Township Administration Building. Those present were:

<u>Authority</u>	<u>UTBF</u>	<u>Administration</u>	<u>HRG</u>
Theodore Murphy	Ross Unruh	Mike Moffa	Josh Fox
Tina Smith		Dave Woodward	
Walt Wills			
Phil Corvo (Arrived 7:10 pm)			
Shaun Walsh			

1. The regular meeting of the Authority was called to order at 7:00 PM by Chair, Ted Murphy.
2. The Authority meeting minutes for the regular meeting of November 6, 2019 were motioned for approval by Tina Smith. Seconded by Walt Wills. Approved 4-0.
3. a) Ted Murphy announced that there was no Executive Session held this evening.
b) The members discussed the Authority annual reorganization and assignment of roles for 2020. No changes were made. Shaun Walsh motioned to keep role assignments the same as 2019:
 - Chair – Ted Murphy; Vice Chair – Tina Smith; Treasurer – Walt Wills; Secretary – Shaun Walsh; Member – Phil CorvoSeconded by Tina Smith. Approved 4-0
c) Ted Murphy motioned to reappoint HRG as the Authority Engineer and Unruh, Turner, Burke & Frees as the Authority Solicitor. Seconded by Shaun Walsh. Approved 5-0
4. Solicitor’s Report, dated January 9, 2020 was presented by Ross Unruh.
 - a) The motion to dismiss the contract claim disputes with GEM Mechanical Services, based on the failure of GEM to file their appeal in a timely manner, was dismissed by the arbitrator. The schedule is: i) 12/9/2019 GEM submission of documents; ii) 1/23/2020 the Authority’s response with documents; iii) with a decision to be rendered by the arbitrator between 14 – 30 days thereafter. Therefore, final decision from the arbitrator would be no later than 2/23/2020.
 - b) The order, pursuant to rule 1066, to obtain quiet title to the piece of property at the Trinity Drive Pump Station was signed by the judge on 12/23/2019. UTBF have filed with the Recorder of Deeds as required and the property is now legally owned by the Authority.
 - c) Progress remains stalled regarding the property parcel intended to be swapped between Aqua and the Sewer Authority at the Downing Avenue Pump Station. The land swap involves the Borough of West Chester as they are the actual owner of the parcel required by the Authority. Email correspondence with legal counsel at Aqua is awaited.
 - d) The letter requested by the Authority to be sent to the attorney of the developer of Woodlands of Greystone has been mailed. Ross will follow-up on the status of the design and permitting of the offsite sewer line replacement as required by the Settlement Agreement.
 - e) Ross described the email correspondence from Mr. John Hall in which he states that there is a possibility that EPA may have erred in their calculations to determine interim Phosphorus concentration levels for the discharge at the WWTP. The Board discussed the basis and applicability of his viewpoint and determined that it does not have bearing on the present course of action by the WGSA under the Settlement Agreement with EPA. Should any public information

on EPA calculation errors become available over the next 36 months, it would be considered in the context of determining a final permit compliance concentration between EPA and the WGSA.

5. Wastewater Superintendent Report for the month of December was presented by Mike Moffa.
 - a) The treatment plant operated in compliance with the NPDES permit for December. Treated 135.36 million gallons of wastewater. Average of 4.366 mgpd. Pressed for disposal 257 tons of dewatered sludge. Average Total Phosphorous discharge concentration = 0.69 mg/L. There was a minor, 200 to 300 gallon, overflow from the sanitary sewer system when a manhole became blocked with grease. DEP were notified. Mike Moffa will notify nearby residents on what happened and provide them with information on proper grease disposal.
 - b) Final demolition of old equipment and site restoration at the Washington Street Pump Station has begun. It is expected to be completed by the end of January.
 - c) A review of the Developer Deposit Accounts is underway. Mike will make appropriate recommendations to return deposited funds at the Authority's February meeting.
6. The Treasurers Report dated January 9, 2020 was presented by Walt Wills (See report for details)
 - a) Walt Wills motioned to approve for payment, as listed on the Treasurers Report, Requisitions #410 through #414 from the Bond Construction Fund in the total amount of \$36,462.92; Tapping Fee Fund Requisitions #1963 to #1968 in the total amount of \$23,633.97; and Developers Invoices (3) in the total amount of \$1,887.80. Seconded by Tina Smith. Approved 5-0.
 - b) **ACTION: Ted Murphy** to provide by email to the Board members the engagement letter from Barbacane, Thornton & Co. to perform 2019 audit services. **ACTION: Board members** to review and be prepared to discuss at the Authority's February meeting.
7. Engineers Report dated January 3, 2020 was presented by Josh Fox from HRG (See report for details).
 - a) Josh described the Contractor work on submittals and HRG reviews for all the work associated with the WWTP Phase II Improvement Project. It is expected that site mobilization will begin on 1/20/20 with demolition work starting the first week of February, followed by pipe layout across the site.
8. Developers Activity Report, dated January 3, 2020 was described by Josh Fox (See report).
9. Any Other Business
 - a) Josh Fox requested the attendance of a Board member at a final review meeting of the open items for the Anaerobic Digester Project Sludge Removal & Disposal. Ted Murphy volunteered to participate.
 - b) The required Authority Board members provided their authorized signatures on the business accounts form maintenance for TD Bank.
 - c) The Government Entity Certificate of Resolution for the West Goshen Sewer Authority was signed for TD Bank.
 - d) As a reminder, the date of the February regular meeting of the Authority will be held as typical on the first Wednesday of the month, February 5th. Tina Smith will be participating by phone.

Shaun Walsh motioned to adjourn the meeting at 8:07 PM, seconded by Walt Wills. Approved 5-0

Respectfully submitted,

Shaun Walsh,
Secretary