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MEMBERS PRESENT: Scott Herbster-Vice Chairman, Scott Brouse, Doug Hassinger, Tim Folk

OTHERS PRESENT: Elizabeth Paige-Borough Administrator, Robert Slivinski-Solicitor, Dustin Zechman-Borough Foreman

Motion was made by Scott Brouse to approve the agenda. Doug Hassinger seconded and MOTION UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED.

Motion was made by Tim Folk to approve the September minutes. Scott Brouse seconded and MOTION UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED.

Water Rate increase-In conjunction with the upcoming water project and funding with PennVest, it has been determined that water rates will need to be increased to meet PennVest's target rate. The target rate would have to be implemented 3 months proper to starting to pay back the PennVest loan. There is time to do the increase all at one or in two increments. The amount of the loan could also be affected if some of the funding is through a grant. After discussion, Tim Folk motioned to increase the water rates by \$3.00 on January 1, 2021. Scott Brouse seconded and MOTION UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED.

<u>Drought watch-</u>DEP has issued a Drought Watch for Snyder County. Dustin updated Middleburg's Drought Contingency Plan about two years ago, so the Authority should be in compliance.

<u>Commonwealth Finance Authority</u>-A letter was received from the CFA informing the Authority that they were not chosen to receive a grant for the upcoming water projects. If the Authority had been chosen to receive a grant from CFA, that amount could have been dropped from the PennVest funding.

DLG REPORT

<u>Shade View Sanitary Sewer Project</u>-The Authority is going to be receiving CDBG funding for the Shade View Sanitary Sewer Project. The engineering fees of approximately \$29,500 will need to be covered by the Authority but the project cost of approximately \$180,000 will come from the CDBG funding. The funding should be available in March 2021 so the decision was tabled until the November Authority meeting. The 2021 budget then can be adjusted if the Authority accepts the CDBG funding.

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Middleswarth Permit-An update on the changes to the Middleswarth Wastewater Discharge Permit was presented to inform the Authority of changes. LDG is waiting on comments from the PA Water Supply Permit. The parameters have changed for several chemicals and oil and grease limits but other than that, it is about the same. After discussion, Doug Hassinger motioned to approve the updates to the Middleswarth Wastewater Discharge Permit. Tim Folk seconded and MOTION UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED.

The updates to the Middleswarth Permit will also constitute changes to the Authority's Rules and Regulations. Scott Brouse motioned to approve the changes to the Rules and Regulations. Doug Hassinger seconded and MOTION UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT

<u>Authority members</u>-Solicitor Slivinski informed the Authority that when Franklin Township became part of the Municipal Authority, it was set up that there should be two representatives from the township. The Authority also wanted to have representatives who were served by water and/or sewer.

<u>Karl Zimmerman letter</u>-Solicitor Slivinski reported that a letter has been received from Karl Zimmerman's legal council regarding obtaining a permanent right-of-way.

BOROUGH FOREMAN'S REPORT

Nutrient credits-Dustin reported that no nutrient credits will need to be purchased for next year.

Water supply- Dustin gave an update on the water supply.

Motion was made by Doug Hassinger at 6:55 P.M. Tim Folk seconded and MOTION UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED.

Beverly Inch Municipal Secretary