

MIDDLEBURG MUNICIPAL AUTHORITY

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MEMBERS PRESENT: Charles Zechman-Chairman, Dwayne Hackenberg-Vice Chairman, Raymond Colestock, Mike Rhodes, Tim Folk, Doug Hassinger, Scott Brouse

OTHERS PRESENT: Dustin Zechman-Borough Foreman, Dave Walters-Engineer, Robert Slivinski-Solicitor, Virginia Zeiber-Borough Administrator, Brian Lauver, Judy Varner

Meeting was called to order by Chairman Charles Zechman at 6:05 P.M.

Motion was made by Dwayne Hackenberg to approve the agenda. Raymond Colestock seconded and MOTION UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED.

Motion was made by Raymond Colestock to approve the May minutes. Mike Rhodes seconded and MOTION UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED.

Tom Dyer bill from RotoRooter-Tom Dyer, who lives on Center Street, presented a copy of a bill to Bev, which he received from Roto-Rooter, and requested the Authority pay the bill for the call he made to Roto-Rooter when he experienced a clog in the sewer line. Bev gave the Authority members a copy of the bill and a copy of the letter of response, which she sent to Tom after she spoke with the Roto-Rooter person who worked on the problem. When an incident of this type occurs, Roto-Rooter usually informs the Borough/Authority when a clog is in their line. When Roto-Rooter arrived at the property, Tom had dug up his line, rented a cable machine from the Rental Center and was trying to unclog the line. Tom told Heidi that he had put the cable in and then someone flushed the toilet and it clogged up. Roto-Rooter had one hundred feet of cable and ran all of it with no resistance. When they pulled the cable out, it opened up. Roto-Rooter could not tell where the clog was. Dustin Zechman, Borough Foreman, offered to televise the line to see if any determination could be made as to what may have caused the clog. He told Tom that if he found anything in his lateral that was defective, Tom would need to get it repaired. Tom said he did not have any money to make repairs and that he knows he has tree roots. Tom said he would be at the Authority meeting with his lawyer and did not allow Dustin access to his property to televise the line. Tom did not attend this meeting, even though he said he was going to do so.

Solicitor Slivinski asked if the bill is made out to Tom Dyer, which it is. He believes that solves the problem and the bill is Tom's. Everyone was in agreement.

LDG REPORT

Well Project-The SWIP testing for the new well was started on May 26th. Things seem to be moving along smoothly. There was one positive test for Ecoli, which is total coliforms. That could have meant a contaminated sampling bottle or something of that nature. The conductivity

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has been good and Larson will continue to monitor the sampling at the well site. Unfortunately, a lot of good water is being wasted with the testing. The fire company is going to start filling its trucks with that water. Larson is going to start with the design for the building at the well site shortly. It will then be presented to DEP for approval.

Tomorrow there is a meeting scheduled to view and discuss the storm water drainage at the well site. Some of the flows come off of Route 522 and out of the development in the area of Essex Road and then water channels through part of the well site property. Storm water cannot be on the well site so they are going to look into the possibility of installing an inlet on the upstream side and piping the water through the site so it is not discharging on it. A level spreader will need to be placed on the down stream side to control the flow. It will not increase the amount of discharge but the water will have more velocity, so a level spreader will help spread it out in the field. An easement will be need to be obtained to direct that water over the farmland of Roy Laudermilch's.

Dave presented each Authority member with an explanation from GeoServices as to why it is costing more than originally quoted for their services on three invoices. There was more information they had to obtain than originally thought. Their quote was based on four monitoring points and there ended up being twelve. SRBC required more information which required more work, than was quoted in 2012.

The invoice from February 4, 2014 is the largest one. \$192.33 was spent on Task 4, which was the pumping test, and added more costs when GeoServices was coming up and monitoring the pumping test. The balance of the invoice in the amount of \$4724.50 was for the Hydrogeological Report. The total invoice was \$4916.83.

Another invoice dated February 20, 2015 was for the preparation of the Hydrogeological Report and some color copy expenses were connected to the report. That amount was \$327.70.

The other invoice dated February 23, 2015 consisted of \$130.00 for the Hydrogeological Report and \$361.25 for SWIP monitoring. At that time, it was not known that SWIP monitoring would be required. Dave had called GeoServices to see whether they knew any way the Authority could get out of the SWIP testing but was unsuccessful.

The original budget for the Hydrogeological Report was \$10,000 and they exceeded that amount by \$4300. The total cost for the Hydro Report was \$15,725.84.

Tim Folk questioned if the paperwork in 2012 was a proposal or a contract. It was a contract that included estimated fees. Dave explained that SRBC required a lot more information and monitoring than was planned. Solicitor Slivinski explained that between 2012 and 2014 a lot had changed and more was required than was unanticipated.

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Dwayne Hackenberg motioned to approve payment of the three invoices with CDBG funds. Tim Folk seconded and MOTION UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED.

Water Allocation Permit renewal-The design for the Water Allocation Permit is being finalized for the metering stations at the intakes. It has to be submitted to DEP by September but Larson is hoping to soon finalize the design.

Grant for flow meters-Dave has gotten information on a Growing Greener Grant that has just become available. It will pay up to 85% of a project cost related to water shed improvement. Dave talked to DEP as to whether flow meters would be an eligible project. Larson may have to be creative in the application and tie in metering the bypass and how that maintains the stream channel, aquatic environment and that type of thing. Dave thinks there is a decent chance of getting the grant. It is a 15% match and the application is due July 10, 2015. Dwayne Hackenberg motioned to allow Dave to submit an application for the grant. Raymond Colestock seconded and MOTION UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED.

Water source investigation-Dave explained there had been a meeting with Larson, several divisions of DEP, Fish Commission and Representative Keller concerning putting a dam or larger containment area at Erb Run. He felt the meeting was very informative. After a meeting in the Borough office, they visited the sites. There is a potential to put a dam in the area of the intakes. As a result of that meeting, it was determined that the Authority needs to explore its options. Taking water from Middle Creek, getting the two wells that are already up at the reservoir operating effectively and a dam are possible options. There are stipulations related to a dam such as the height, how big the storage area is and if it is more than a hundred acres of drainage area. They even suggested maybe looking at going upstream a bit further, reducing the drainage area below a hundred acres and possibly putting two dams up on the branches of the intakes. It must be determined which is the most cost effective. The permit alone for a dam is about \$25,000.

Mike Rhodes asked what the real issue is with the two wells at the reservoir. Dave explained they are high in iron and manganese. A way to bring those levels down so the pump filters would run effectively would be a good solution also. Tim Folk recommended exploring all four alternatives before making a decision.

CDBG survey approval request letter-The Authority was given copies of a draft letter that Glenda Ruch of SEDA COG wrote requesting the approval for the Authority to do a survey to determine eligibility for CDBG funding. Glenda wanted everyone to know that it is a long shot getting approval but it is worth trying. She wanted anyone with corrections or additions to the draft letter to let her know and she is also having someone else from SEDA COG review the letter.

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Laudermilch deed- Solicitor Slivinski informed the Authority that the deed for the well site property has been finalized, signed and recorded. He now needs to put in a request with the assessment office to have the well site land exempted from taxing.

Smoke and Heat detectors- Dustin Zechman, Borough Foreman, reported that he got the quotes back from Select Security for the fire and heat detectors for the plants. Select Security's equipment is available through CoStars. The price quotes are as follows: water plant-\$4,922.18, sewer plant-\$3,561.14 and the maintenance shed-\$3,894.43. The quote for annual maintenance had to be redone but Dustin thought it was \$118 and \$120 for the two plants per month. Bev reminded everyone that if the maintenance shed were installed with the detectors, the cost would be divided between the borough, water and sewer accounts. Dustin had brought another quote a few months ago, but Select Security does this area. They operate out of Lancaster and service several businesses in the area.

Doug Hassinger asked if installing these detectors would do anything for the insurance rate. There was discussion on it costing as more than anticipated. There was also discussion on it being water and sewer only. Dustin said he just had gotten a quote for the maintenance shed because Select Security was in the area.

Dwayne Hackenberg believed this type of security is needed at the plants because they are in more obscure areas, where the maintenance shed is not and does not have all the electrical equipment the plants have. It could save money having the security, should something happen at the plants. Dustin thought maybe the security checks could be changed to quarterly or whatever per year. He will check into the matter further.

Solicitor Sliviniski asked what savings the Authority would have from its insurance carrier, if the detectors were installed. A representative from Edmiston's Insurance is to be at tonight's Borough Council meeting. The subject will be brought up then.

The water plant presently has a fence and cameras. The sewer plant has a gate and PBS has a guard on duty. No one has ever tried to enter the plants, which is good.

Raymond Colestock felt it would be good to check with the insurance company to see if it would help save on the premiums by installing the detectors. It was decided to wait until that information is available to come to a decision.

Dwayne Hackenberg motioned to adjourn at 6:48 P.M. Scott Brouse seconded and MOTION UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED.

Beverly Inch
Secretary