

THE MONROE TOWNSHIP WATER AND SEWER DISTRICT

Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees of the
Monroe Township Water and Sewer District
February 11, 2020

Scott Vagedes called the meeting to order at 7:00pm and lead the members in the Pledge of Allegiance. Members in attendance also included Dave Eilerman, Rob Voisard and newly appointed member Jared Eales. Administrator Marilyn Fennell and Trustee Siefring were absent. Mr. Vagedes welcomed Mr. Eales.

Justin Cooper, former resident of 6780 Curtwood Dr. met with the Board before the meeting was called to order.

Mr. Vagedes directed Mrs. Fennell to add the expiration date of member's term to the General Information sheet. He also wants each member to have a copy of the budget and the By-Laws, a copy of the residents' billing list and the current rate structure (which is online).

Minutes from January 8, 2020 were reviewed and Mr. Eilerman **moved to approve the minutes from January 8, 2020 as presented**. Mr. Vagedes seconded the motion. Motion passed 3-0-1. Mr. Eales abstained as he was not a member of the Board yet.

Comments from Public: There were no members from the public in attendance. Justin Cooper, previous owner of 6780 Curtwood had attended before the meeting and it was suggested that he have his attorney notify the Board of what documents they are in search of.

Treasurer's Report: Mr. Voisard reported he had Resolution 2020-02 prepared to pay expenses of approximately \$9,265. These were the usual monthly expenses. Income was \$10,266. Mr. Eilerman **moved to approve Resolution 2020-02**. Mr. Vagedes seconded the motion. Mr. Vagedes called for the vote, motion passed 4-0.

Mr. Vagedes reported that Paul Rennick has supplied a 2020 operating budget. Mr. Vagedes **moved to approve the 2020 Operating Budget, Resolution 2020-03**. Mr. Voisard seconded the motion. Motion was approved 4-0.

Old Business: Mr. Eilerman reported that a bond had been requested for Mr. Eales by Twp. Trustee Cox in a conversation with OTARMA. Trustee Cox is a member of the OTARMA Board. There will be a form for Mr. Eales to sign. A grant request to OTARMA for \$500 had been submitted and approved for a fire-proof file cabinet and some safety vests. A file cabinet was purchased thru Mendelson's in Dayton. Mr. Vagedes said he will check into the matter of the Board needing to obtain a tax-exempt form for future purchases.

A proposed agreement was received from Tipp City for water purchase. The City Manager is wanting an agreement for any other plats that might be out of the City limits included. There

were some matters that Mr. Vagedes has concerns-such as water used for a fire. There are also other concerns with other agreements, Floral Acres and Deer Cliff are examples.

Miami County Board of Health met on January 23, 2020 and Mr. Vagedes attended. The property in concern is 805 Todd Court. They are the only property not hooked up to Sanitary Sewer. They were sent a letter by the District on March 11, 2019 to connect, but they have not done so. The property owner has stated they plan to sell the house, but have not listed it or contracted with a realtor yet. Gerry Tipton of the Miami Co Board of Health was to send a letter requiring them to hook up. Mr. Vagedes advised the Board that the MTWSD would be acceptable to a 9-month window for connection (due to weather, sale of house, etc.). MTWSD was to receive a copy of the notification, but has not to date. If not completed by the owner, the Miami Co. Bd of Health has the authority to do the hook up and assess the cost to the property. This property has been charged the minimum fees per month, which they have been paying.

New Business: There was no New Business other than a possible Public Records Request by Justin Cooper discussion.

Board Comments: Mr. Vagedes said he looked at the future meeting dates for 2020 and Veterans Day, November 11 is the only conflict that he saw. Mr. Eilerman will be on vacation on September 9. There is some time to figure out alternative dates if necessary.

Mr. Siefring has informed Mr. Vagedes that he has a possible 5th Board member interested.

The Floral Acres property owner that wanted to connect to Sanitary Sewer has made application to Tipp City to do so. There are possibly a few others interested in connecting to the sanitary line that the City of Tipp City has installed. There is a \$9,000 tap-in fee to the City plus the cost to install the lateral to the home.

Mr. Eilerman noticed a few properties in arrears on the billing from the County. The one property is for water and sewer assessments for 2018. Mr. Vagedes said it includes 4 month's from the assessments plus the \$35 monthly late fee plus a 10% fee. This property has never paid their bills. If property is sold, that bill will have to be paid as it will have an assessment on the property taxes. There is another property that has a credit. It appears they have paid ahead.

The next meeting will be **Wednesday, March 11, 2020 at 6:00 PM**. There were no further comments from the Board. Mr. Eilerman moved to adjourn the meeting and Mr. Voisard seconded the motion. Motion passed 4-0. Meeting adjourned at 7:40 pm.

President

Secretary