

**THE MONROE TOWNSHIP**  
**WATER AND SEWER DISTRICT**

Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees of the  
Monroe Township Water and Sewer District  
July 13, 2015

**Meeting Minutes**

A regular meeting of the District was held pursuant to call, upon proper notice to the public, at the Monroe Township Offices. Trustees present were William Rodenberg, James Flesher, Dale Voisard, Rick Mains and David Dexter. Ron Thuma representing the Monroe Township Trustee's was excused. Mark Cameron with Sands Decker was present.

- 1. Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order at 6:00 pm by Bill Rodenberg followed by the pledge of allegiance.
- 2. Approval of Minutes:** James Flesher moved to approve the June 8<sup>th</sup> minutes with a second by Dale Voisard, motion carried.
- 3. Comments from Members of the General Public (All guest are requested to sign the Register):**
- 4. Report of Officers and/or Committees (if any).** N/A
- 5. Treasurer's Report:** Rick Mains provided an updated balance sheet along with a Profit & Lose Statement.
  - 5.1 Resolution 2015-010: Rick Mains presented the following invoices for payment: Albers & Albers \$3,922.00 and Sands Decker \$2,635.00 in the amounts listed – David Dexter moved to approve the treasurer's report and authorize payment of the presented invoices with a second by William Rodenberg, resolution approved.
- 6. Unfinished Business:**
  - 6.1. Mark Cameron reported on recent discussions with Tipp City's engineering staff. Tipp City is not willing to allow the use of polymer materials for water lines; they will only allow ductile iron (DI) for water main material. Since their position is not likely to change, the design will no long be considering horizontal boring. The use of DI material will require that the water line be installed via open cut of the streets or right-of-ways. This willing likely have a cost impact for; open roadway cuts, excavation, haul away, backfill, pavement restoration, etc. However, this still falls within

- the engineer's original projection of probable construction costs.
- 6.2 Given Tipp City's position, the Board eliminated planned inter-connection with the City's system. The design had included 3 two-way interconnections between the District's and City's systems. This configuration provides for better circulation between the two systems, but is not necessary or required by regulation or the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency (OEPA). The elimination of the two additional interconnections will assist in offsetting costs associated with the open cut installation of the water mains. The savings are the result of not using; more expensive two-way meters, providing concrete vaults for those meters and securing easements for those lines and vaults. This will not have any impact on the overall District system or the quality of the water delivered to the residents.
  - 6.3 The easements will be revised to reflect this change in design. The residents' impact by these easements will be contacted.
  - 6.4 The design will be revised to reflect Tipp City's direction. This will allow the engineer's projection of probable construction costs to be updated, reflecting the changes.
  - 6.5 The engineer is reviewing the other "redline" comments made by Tipp City and will provide written answers to those comments. The revised plans should be complete and back to Tipp within the next 3-weeks.
  - 6.6 The documents should be ready for the Board's review and approval to proceed by the August meeting. Once the Board accepts the documents, they will be submitted to the OEPA for their final review and issuance of a permit to proceed.
  - 6.7 Sands & Decker is working with Albers & Albers to research the properties connected to the old Miami County sewer system. Miami County has turned this system over to the District. The District needs to understand what agreements the County made with those property owners' that were served by that system; taps, tie-ins, costs, assessments, prepaid tap fees, agreements for tapping, etc. While this involves relatively few properties; the Board wish to see all property owners' are treated fairly and equally.
  - 6.8 Sands Decker will consult with Albers & Albers, using the revised engineer's projection of probable construction costs to update the projected assessment values associated with the project.

**New Business:** The Board authorized Mr. Mains to seek an official engagement letter from Lightner & Stickel CPA's of Troy, Ohio to provide accounting service for the District.

8. **Comments from Board Members:** FYI Bill Rodenberg report on a call from a new resident on the county side of Curtwood Drive, seeking utilities. The property is a vacant lot under construction. The resident will be connecting to the existing systems within the area, as the District systems will not be available by completion of the home's construction.

**9. Adjournment:** David Dexter moved for adjournment with a second by Rick Mains, motion carried at 6:50 PM.

Attested:

David Dexter,  
Secretary