

THE MONROE TOWNSHIP WATER AND SEWER DISTRICT

Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees of the
Monroe Township Water and Sewer District
August 12, 2020

Chairman Scott Vagedes called the meeting to order at 6:00pm and lead the members in the Pledge of Allegiance. Members in attendance included Dave Eilerman, Rob Voisard, and Jared Eales. Administrator Marilyn Fennell was present.

Minutes from July 8, 2020 were reviewed and Mr. Eilerman **moved to approve the minutes from July 8, 2020 as presented.** Mr. Voisard seconded the motion. Motion passed 4-0.

Comments from Public: Searl Daugherty was present but he had no comments.

Treasurer's Report: Mr. Voisard had prepared Resolution 2020-11 to pay monthly expenses and the renewal with OTARMA for insurance for a total of \$12,894 for July. Income was \$12,225. Mr. Vagedes **moved to approve Resolution 2020-11.** Mr. Eales seconded the motion. Mr. Vagedes called for the vote, motion passed 4-0.

Mr. Voisard had prepared a draft Budget for 2021. He figured in a \$6,000 payment to Monroe Twp. which may leave the funds a bit short. Mr. Vagedes said he agreed with the recommendation from Mr. Rennick last month, to pay \$2,000 which would balance the budget. Mr. Vagedes agreed that the District should make payments on the interest-free loan from Monroe Twp. Maybe \$5,000 in 8 payments would pay the interest-free loan. Mr. Vagedes suggested that it be addressed in November and a payment be made in 2021. Mr. Eilerman agreed with those comments.

Mr. Voisard received a letter from CORD, concerning a membership in an legislative agency. Albers and Albers and Sands are on the Board and it does not appear that this District has not been a member for some time. He discussed it with Mr. Seifring and it does not appear that this Board has had any dealings with them. Mr. Vagedes said he does not recall any information from them. The Board agreed to no action to be taken at this time.

Old Business: Mr. Vagedes said Tipp City had responded to Mr. Borchers regarding a Kitrina development. In his opinion, the letter he wrote stands. This land is not in the Monroe Twp. Water/Sewer District, we cannot serve them. Secondly our duty was to serve existing residential structures, not new developments, therefore we cannot serve them. They are contiguous to the City thru the Ginghamburg property, so in his opinion they need to go thru the City.

There has been no further word on the inquiry on properties across Shoop road (South of Shoop and East of I-75) for water service. Being existing structures they could possibly be served but it would be 100% at their expense to extend the water main.

New Business: Mr. Vagedes stated Lead and Copper tests were done on Country Estates plat and all came under the 5 micrograms required. There were no issues.

Board Comments: Mr. Vagedes 805 Todd Ct. is for sale. Notices had been sent to the County and the Owner had been notified that the sanitary sewer connection must be made by end of September. The County is the legal authority to proceed with that connection. The sale lists that the connection must be done for Sewer. They can continue with their well for water if they wish.

Mr. Eales asked for a clarification on the billing received from Miami County. There were some properties in arrears. Mr. Voisard showed him how to read the County billing.

Mr. Eilerman asked about 6520 Curtwood- if the monies owed were being collected. Mr. Vagedes said it should have appeared on their July property tax billing. It should appear soon to the Board.

Mr. Daugherty asked about the water/sewer bills going up 4%. Mr. Vagedes said the City was raising the rates per an article in newspaper from January 2019. The water rate increase are for 5 years beginning March 1, 2019, 4% in 2019, 2020, and 2021; followed by 5% in 2022 and 2023. This was to meet the operating and capital improvement needs. Mr. Vagedes said those rate increases are in force. The rates are on our website.

The next meeting will be **Wednesday, September 9, 2020 at 6:00 PM**. There were no further comments from the Board. Mr. Eilerman moved to adjourn the meeting and Mr. Eales seconded the motion. Motion passed 4-0. Meeting adjourned at 6:35 pm.

President

Secretary