

Meeting Minutes May 16th, 2023 7pm

Attendees: Don Anderson, Karen Gnagey, Louie Martin, Sandy Miller, Brian Witherite Brianna Knieriem, Marc Valentine (by phone)

Public meeting opened at 7:00 PM

Executive Session: No Executive Session

Public comment: No public comment

Old Business:

A. Approval of the April 18th, 2023 Meeting Minutes- Brian made the motion to approve, Louie second. Motion passed by all in favor

B. Safety equipment for field employees. - Louie picked up the rechargeable flares from Corriganville, MD fire department.

- Louie made the motion to purchase 3 cases of light-up cones for safety equipment, Karen second the motion. Motion approved by all in favor.

New Business

A. Deb Barron for Health Insurance Renewal- Louie made the motion to continue the health insurance plan with UPMC Health Plan, Brian second the motion. Motion passed by all in favor. Sandy recused for reason of conflict of interest, she works for UPMC Health Plan.

B. Bills report/profit and loss sheet. Karen asked for a copy of last years reports.(Bri will have at next meeting) Louie made the motion, Karen second the motion. Motion passed by all in favor.

C. Waving Tap Fees for Upper Broadway Street Project- Will table until next meeting

D. Rate raises.

- Discussion was made about the money needed to match grants.
- Plan for 5 years increase in increments
- This will serve as part of the roadmap for the DEP for projects
- Karen made the motion to raise the rates 3% starting September 1st 2023 and 2nd by Sandy.(a note will be on the June bill about the increase) Motion passed by all in favor.

E. High Bill Question (3)

1. Ms. Lint- Water leak that went through the sewage. Brian made the motion not to adjust the bill, Louie second the motion. Motion passed by all in favor.

2. Mr. Spokart- Had a water leak, we need to verify if the water went into the sewage. Brian made the motion to table until we find out where the water went to, Louie second the motion. Motion passed by all in favor.

3. Mr. Shaffer- Water leak that did not go into the sewage. Karen made the motion to adjust the bill Louie second the motion. Motion passed by all in favor

F. Budget

- Discussion about the borough not charging the christian school to rent space but charges MMA. Brian will attend the council meeting on June 13th to request a reduction of rent for the one room space the MMA occupies.
- Dennis from EADS advised the variable frequency drive - Adjust the flow from the pump so its not on full all the time.
- Turbidimeter- will let us know the price when we receive an estimate.
- PH Meter- going into the raw water at the plant, the one we have is obsolete we need a new one. Honeywell to give us a quote.
- Abandoned wells- we have not used some of these wells in 10 years- we need to ask the DEP what the procedure is to close them
- SCADA system needed, EADS checking the price, this is not critical this year

G. Summer help applicant.

- Only one applicant applied for the summer- Tyler Sandy. Terry Baker, Sandy Miller and Karen Gnagey will interview. Brian, Louie and Don all know the candidate or his family, they have recused to interview.
- Review for additional summer help at Tableland for 30 hours per week

Water/Sewage Report (Terry Baker)

- The timber crew has started cutting again
- Line Flushing to start on June 17th
- Water and dye testing to continue for several weeks

Engineer Report

- Estimate 1 additional tech is needed for 2 months
- 3 additional people are needed for 3 months for dye testing.
- The rest of the engineers report is available in the MMA office

Solicitors Report

- Broadway St Project.-
 - a. We would like to see this completed in 6 months
 - b. There are 8 connections- viewport to the vent
 - c. Discussion was about how much footage the board is willing to pay,.
 - d. Terry advised the average line is 2-3,000.00
 - e. Karen suggested giving each homeowner a set amount towards the completion
 - f. Bri and Marc to investigate how much Munilink can offset the money we allow. g.

Motion to wave the tap fee but table the amount of money how we are going to tie in the lines. Louie made the motion, Don second the motion. Motion passed by all in favor

Adjourned- 9:32 Louie made the motion, Brian second the motion. Motion passed by all in favor .


Sandy Miller Secretary

7-10-23
Date