

MOUNT PENN BOROUGH MUNICIPAL AUTHORITY

MINUTES

REGULAR MEETING

APRIL 13, 2022

The regular meeting of the Mount Penn Borough Municipal Authority was held on Wednesday, April 13, 2022 at 7:25 p.m. in the meeting room of the John A. Becker Municipal Building, 200 North 25th Street, Reading, PA 19606.

The meeting was called to order by Vice Chairman Joseph Boyle. The following Board members were present:

Joseph Boyle, Vice Chairman
Alfred Worrall, Treasurer
Kelly Dudash, Assistant Treasurer/Assistant Secretary

Also present were the following:

Matthew Hauck, Water System Foreman
Stephen Davis, Support Specialist
Steve Riley, Entech Engineering
Mark Merolla, Solicitor

Al Worrall motioned, seconded by Kelly Dudash to approve the minutes of the March 9, 2022, meeting, as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

TREASURER- Alfred Worrall

The bills for month March were reviewed. Following discussion, Al Worrall motioned, seconded by Kelly Dudash to approve the March Treasurer's Report. The motion carried unanimously. Al met with VIST bank about a loan for the tank. VIST bank cannot match the interest rate that Pennvest can currently offer.

ENGINEER- Steven Riley

Antietam Road /Carsonia Ave bridge/storm replacement project by PennDot.
Cost of project is 75% Penndot 25% MPBMA
Construction will probably start in 2023.

Resolution 04-2022 – Authorizing PennDot for reimbursement of costs incurred for the relocation of a water main on Antietam Road (Al Worrall made motion to approve resolution, Joseph Boyle 2nd, All in Favor.

Engineering Work Order 4662-EWO-11967 (Spook Lane Tank replacement project)

Motion and roll call was made to accept work order – all in favor
Recommendations for proceeding with one tank versus two tanks for the Spook Tank project based on current budget constraints regarding other projects and needs were discussed.
Entech will go forward on designing and planning of the Spook Lane project.
Water main in Center St to Filbert Ave as part of the Mt. Penn borough’s storm water/repaving project of Glen Terrace and Center St. Kelly Dudash made a motion to approve the project, Joe Boyle 2nd, all approved.

WATER SYSTEM -Matt Hauck

COMPLETE MAINTENANCE REPORT ATTACHED

SAFETY MEETING

Pa One update from class.

SOLICITOR- Mark Merolla

Pa Mutual Aid – motion to approve made by Al Worrall second by Joe Boyle , all approved.
ARVCC – letter sent about the park maintenance (no response so far)
Revisit the ARVCC current lease before it renews in 2024
The Carsonia Park is in bad condition and is not being maintained by ARVCC. The water authority rented a brush cutter and cut brush and trimmed trees around the lake.

BUSINESS OFFICE

Bills mailed on 4/10/2022.

SOURCE WATER PROTECTION

Submitted grant for \$235,000 from ARP.

BOROUGH OF MT. PENN

No Report.

ANTIETAM VALLEY MUNICIPAL AUTHORITY (AVMA)

No Report.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

No Report.

NEW BUSINESS

Joseph Boyle asked for an Executive Session at 9:00 P.M. to discuss real estate. Regular Session resumed at 9:35 P.M. No action was taken.

Motion was made by Joe Boyle, seconded by Kelly Dudash, to adjourn the meeting at 9:35 p.m.
The next meeting will be held on Wednesday, May 11, 2022 at 7:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Stephen Davis
Support Specialist

Maintenance Report March 2022

Service line to 422 N25th broke on customer's side while shutting off for non-payment. We fixed their section of pipe

Leak detect

Power Co on site to diagnose and fix backhoe. Needed new cylinder for front loader

Met with Entech about increasing tapping fee

Had the bid opening for Hilbert Ct water main project

Read meters

Attempted to fix internals of a fire hydrant on 1600 block of Friedensburg. Hydrant is seized and won't disassemble. Hydrant will need to be replaced. We will need to hire someone to complete this due to the location of the hydrant

Clean up dump site

Clean up dirt we dumped at stone pile during winter months

Clean up trees and branches on Spook lane property

Had issues with our SCADA calling out due to 3g cell service being eliminated. Had our call outs upgraded to Top View alarm software

Did a site visit on Chestnut St where we plan to connect the two mains together. Determined this work needs to be contracted

Kohl Brothers onsite to video Well 12 after we had the screens cleaned

Had a "Teams" meeting with PennDot and Entech about upcoming culvert replacement project at Antietam Rd, Friedensburg Rd and Carsonia Ave. This was to determine conflicts

Change chlorine tubes at Sylvan Dell and Carsonia Pump Station

Phil attended a math class for exam prep

Phil attended a class about Pa1s

Had shut offs for non-payment

Rented a brush cutter. Cut brush and trimmed trees around Carsonia Lake. Also dropped two dead trees

George Young was hired to replace the fire hydrant on 3600 block of Friedensburg rd. This hydrant was hit by a car a few months back. This bill will be submitted for restitution

Attended a UCMR5 sampling webinar. Lithium sampling in water will be included. This is due the negative impact lithium batteries have on the environment.

Reinforced our fire hydrant flushing board

Began fire hydrant flushing

Installed new PRV and stainless fittings at Carsonia Pump Station due to a leak

Got new back up batteries for all SCADA panels

Changed chlorine analyzer membrane at Carsonia Pump Station and followed with appropriate sampling procedures

Removed grates at Grandview Pump Station to access pit area where our water mains connect. Cleaned out the entire area

Cleaned up stones and debris on properties from plowing

Has a mass PA1 call out, roughly 60, for utility pole reinforcements. Verified all locations for any conflicts

Keystone was onsite to run through and test all of our alarms on SCADA

2017 f350 went to Orth's for inspection, oil change, brakes, rotors and tires. Rear leaf springs still need to be fixed. I need to locate parts

Installed a new meter encoder at Bingaman St interconnect

Phil began working on a dead meter list

LAWCO was onsite to test our large well meters

Added adjustable pressure snubber to chlorine analyzer at Sylvan Dell Pump Station. Also change the membrane and followed appropriate sampling procedures

Fire hydrant at Melrose and Sterling failed while flushing. Shut hydrant off at valve in street. Hydrant valve also failed and needs to be repaired. Parts for hydrant are ordered.

Safety meeting- pal refresh with paperwork brought back from class