

minutes

Rimersburg Borough Municipal Authority Meeting

Date | time May 1, 2019 | 6:00 p.m. | Meeting called to order by Regularly Scheduled

In Attendance

Authority members: Mike Graham, Greg Haws, ~~Rebecca Bliss~~, Patty Alworth, Gary Fowler, ~~Vacancy 1,~~
~~Vacancy 2~~

Also Present: Kyle Schwabenbauer, P.E.; Marty English, P.E./ EADS Group; Frank McNaughton/ Boro. Maint. Sup./Wtr. Oper.; Roger Crick/Boro. Council Pres.; residents of Ridgeview Dr., Rimersburg as follows: Courtney Murray-Black, Daniel Black, Rodney Drayer, Sam Ragley, Angela Ragley

Call to Order

The May 1, 2019 regularly scheduled meeting of the Rimersburg Borough Municipal Authority was called to order by Chairman, Mike Graham, at 6:05 p.m.

Persons to Be Heard

Frank informed Authority members of the Ridgeview Dr. sewer leak that had surfaced in Nate Boltz' yard below. It is believed that 5 residences are hooked on to this private line. Per Rules & Regulations, leaks are grounds for upgrading services to current specifications including separation of shared services. All of those connected to the faulty service would share financial responsibility for the upgrades. Some of those present requested some manner to prove who was connected to the problem service line. Authority members thought this a fair request and could be shown, per Frank, with a dye test. Borough Maintenance would need access to each home to administer dye into a toilet. If the service is connected, the dye will show below through an opening Borough Maintenance will make in Nate Boltz' driveway at or near the point of connection with the Borough Sewer Main. General consensus among Authority members was that, depending upon how much the testing costs with labor, etc., the confirmed owners of the line could be billed equal share of the cost. This will be decided at the next meeting, after dye testing, along with the manner of repair. The Ridgeview residents present voiced general contentment with this course of action.

Approval of Minutes

The April 3, 2019 minutes were read and approved by a motion from Patty, second by Gary, and a unanimous vote.

Financial

All Authority and Borough bank account balances were provided as well as Toby debt service loan balances.

The following invoices were presented for payment:

I. EADS invoices

- A. 225102 = \$465.00 Wtr. Mtr. age calculations for annual Primary Facilities Report, review of 2018 data for annual CCR report prep., correspondence w/wtr. tank painting contractors and obtaining paint specs. was approved for payment by a motion from Patty, second from Gary, and a unanimous vote in favor;

- B. 225100 = \$855.00 Summarized 2018 WWTP operations data, prepare and submit Ch. 94 Report for DEP was approved for payment by a motion from Gary, second from Patty, and a unanimous vote in favor;
- II. Solicitor invoice: 11312-018M, no. 2 = \$200.00 Cowatch research was approved for payment by a motion from Patty, second from Gary, and a unanimous vote in favor;
- III. Courier Express/ Leader Vindicator = \$22.58 2019 Mtg. notice was approved for payment by a motion from Patty, second from Gary, and a unanimous vote in favor;
- IV. PA DEP = Public Water System Invoice = \$2,000.000 annual fee, new in 2019 was approved for payment by a motion from Mike, second from Patty, and a unanimous vote in favor.

Unfinished Business

Frank informed members of the changes in the Davis Excavating/ Dan Patsy sewer job agreement per observations made by Davis Excavating. Rather than dropping the service deeper, Justin Davis proposed adding surface to a different spot providing the necessary fall. A new agreement has been drawn up to void the first stating the new manner of providing service to the residence in question and stating that the trap will not be 3 feet deep.

Mike made a motion to table discussion of concerns from the East Brady capital improvement mtg. following review of the East Brady 2018 & 2019 budgets (emailed 04/18) until the next meeting. Patty seconded, and the motion carried with a unanimous vote.

East Brady has put in place some caustic feed equipment to measure and regulate the pH of provided water. A pH that is too high can cause pipe erosion and expose customers to lead. Kyle/ EADS has brought a pH meter to compare readings with Rimersburg Borough's pH meter to make certain that readings for our service area are accurate. If not, Frank will purchase a new pH meter with recommendations from the engineer.

Projects

EADS Group Engineer Report attached to these minutes.

Clarion County officials stated at a meeting with Roger and Mike that Rimersburg Borough qualifies for CDBG grant funding over the next several years and encouraged them to propose projects. There is also emergency funding that is from a different "pot" that may be awarded. A list of ideas was taken to be prioritized:

1. Generator for water pump station
2. Chestnut St. water
3. Borough residences without public sewer (Smith St., etc.)
4. Main St. Fire Flow
5. Water tanks project (paint Fairgrounds, take Boro. Bldg. Tank out of service and dispose of)
6. Borough limits survey

The above are not necessarily in order of priority. The area served must also be considered. If it includes customers outside the Borough limits, it is possible that the affected areas must be income surveyed to see if the project still meets qualifications. It is thought that the deadline for project submission is Aug. 2019. General consensus was highly in favor of submitting as many projects as possible. Kyle/EADS, Roger, and Mike to meet with Kristi/ Clarion County to ask questions about service area, emergency funds, etc. Kyle to get possible dates for this meeting.

Correspondence

Toby monthly email sent with request for update on Toby's courses of action to get hooked on those who are not. No response has yet been received.

New Business

The Boro. Bldg. Water tank has a loose bolt that jeopardizes structural support. EADS found that GM Rental of Clarion has a scissor lift available. The rental cost estimates are \$515 total est. for one day rental, \$735 total est. for one week rental. The machine is 12,000 lbs., measures approx. 6'x10,' max. lift height 30'. Frank stated that he is favor of the work. Though the tank is planned to go off line sometime in the future, the point in time is as yet unknown. Patty made a motion to repair the tank and rent the scissor lift if necessary. Gary seconded her motion and it carried with a unanimous vote.

Adjournment

Wednesday, June 5, 2019 | 6:00 p.m., is the next regularly scheduled meeting of the Rimersburg Borough Municipal Authority at the Rimersburg Borough Building.

Patty motioned for adjournment and Gary seconded. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:41 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Dana L. Solida

Borough Secretary