

minutes

Rimersburg Borough Municipal Authority Meeting

Date / time Feb. 5, 2020 | 6:30 p.m. | *Meeting called to order by* Regularly Scheduled

In Attendance

Authority members: Patty Alworth, Dan Burkett, Gary Fowler, ~~Mike Graham~~, Greg Haws, ~~Vacancy 1~~ +
~~Vacancy 2~~

Also Present: Kyle Schwabenbauer, P.E./ EADS Group; Roger Crick/ Rimersburg Borough Council

Call to Order

The February 5, 2020 regularly scheduled meeting of the Rimersburg Borough Municipal Authority was called to order by Vice-Chairman, Greg Haws, at 6:30 p.m.

Persons to Be Heard

The January Water Report was shared with those present.

Approval of Minutes

The January 8, 2020 minutes were read and approved by a motion from Dan, 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 from the EADS Group were presented for payment:

1. Inv. 227234 = \$300, mtg. attendance;
2. Inv. 227238 = \$322.69 CDBG grant Eng. Through 12/31/2019 Monterey Rd. Water Line addressing comments from Kristi Amato, new mapping, revisions for DCED review;
3. Inv. 227237 = \$1,106.63 Sloan St. Sewer Project tasks through 12/31/2019 preparation of drawing details, specifications, and bid documents, coordination with Frank and Doug Frampton;
4. Inv. 227235 = \$1,451.90 Ridgeview Dr. Sewer Extension through 12/31/2019 Coordination with Frank and Doug Frampton re: Dan Black lateral, field surveys 12/19 & 12/23 verifying existing and proposed elevations; calculated slopes and compliance with Authority Rules & Regs. And DEP regs.; prepared waiver for approval of install at lesser slope for homeowner;
5. Inv. 227236 = \$395.25 back up generator pricing, photograph existing conditions, review options for COSTARS at Water Pump Station.

Patty made the motion to pay all bills presented, which received a second from Gary, and a unanimous vote in favor.

Unfinished Business

Fire Hydrant maintenance discussion was tabled until the April agenda so that all members will be present, for Mike to propose his idea(s), and in hopes of receiving maintenance requirements from local fire safety company.

Doug Frampton/ FX Infrastructures has submitted \$1,350.00 cash as two year bond for all Municipal Authority owned parts of the Ridgeview Dr. sewer main extension and services. This will be deposited in

the CCCB Sewer Project checking until Jan. 2022. If this checking account becomes necessary to collect and administer other project funds before that date, the bond funds will be withdrawn and another account established for the bond funds.

A letter will be sent to Justin Davis to produce proof of a 2 year bond or necessary cash for the portion of the Ridgeview Dr. Sewer Project involving Mr. Drayer that will become Authority owned.

Projects

EADS Group Engineer Report attached to these minutes.

The influent rental meter is successfully uploading data, and has been successfully recording and storing it throughout. The influent numbers do not correspond with the repaired effluent meter. Borough Maintenance has had suspicions about the effluent meter's accuracy since long before the recent repair and calibration. Borough Maintenance and the engineer have done several tests and confirmed that the out flow numbers appear to be inaccurate. No lost water is apparent on the ground before the meter point. The engineer is still assessing possibilities, one being that the area is not an ideal application for this type of meter, another being a miscalculation/ operation in the software.

Mike McLucas of EADS Group will visit the Water Pump Station later this month to begin the electrical study to determine specifications necessary for a back up generator. The Corrective Plan of Action will be submitted to DEP with the current activity toward obtaining the back up generator noted. This information is expected to satisfy DEP's requirements for the present. **Gary made the motion to submit the Corrective Action Plan to DEP, that was seconded by Dan, and passed with a unanimous vote.**

Sloan Street Sewer Project will be advertised for bid to be awarded at the April 1, 2020 meeting. Bid submission deadline will be noon that day.

Correspondence

None

New Business

Kyle is going to research his connections to see if he can locate other areas with cap off requirements stating some length of time and whether specific to business vs. residential. Authority members expressed desire to speak with Frank more on this subject in addition.

The DEP conducted an inspection of the Rimersburg Water System and made several recommendations to be addressed. A permit change was submitted to DEP in 2016 transferring Pump Station 2 to East Brady. DEP did not process the request, and as forms have changed, has requested re-submission of the change.

The water tank behind the Borough Building has not been inspected and resulted in a violation with recommendation to have both water tanks inspected every three years. General consensus was in favor of addressing several of the other recommendations such as a screen at the opening on the water tank, possibly fencing, etc. Kyle agreed he saw no requirements on the inspection and that these actions toward the recommendations would show good faith to DEP.

In 2015, water loss was at 33%. DEP asked at that time for water loss to be decreased to 20% over 5 years. It is currently at 27% and recently at 25%. They have requested a letter be sent detailing action taken to decrease water loss over the last 5 years as well as future plans to further reduce it.

Patty volunteered to attend the March meeting of Rimersburg Borough Council on Mon., Mar. 2, 2020 at 7:00 p.m.

Adjournment

Wednesday, March 4, 2020 | 6:30 p.m., is the next regularly scheduled meeting of the Rimersburg Borough Municipal Authority at the Rimersburg Borough Building.

Dan motioned for adjournment and Patty seconded. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:34 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Dana L. Solida
Borough Secretary