

MINUTES
HEALTH & SANITATION COMMITTEE
MARCH 7, 2017

The Penn Township Health & Sanitation Committee convened on Tuesday, March 7, 2017 at 7:45 p.m. following the Public Works Committee meeting. Present were Chairman Van de Castle and Commissioners Brown, Felix, Heilman, and Klunk. Also present were Township Manager Rodgers, Engineer Bortner, Highway Foreman Mahan, Interim Zoning Officer Garrett, and Township Secretary Hallett. The following items were discussed:

ANNOUNCEMENTS: None.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES: The minutes of the February 7, 2017 Health & Sanitation Committee meeting were approved as submitted.

BARNHART DRIVE SEWER LINE: Manager Rodgers reported she has scheduled a meeting with Mr. Bair on March 22, 2017 to discuss acquiring an easement across his property. Commissioner Heilman asked if we have eminent domain abilities. Manager Rodgers said we do but would prefer not to use them.

OAKHILL/HERSHEY HEIGHTS SEWER PROJECT: Manager Rodgers reported GHD is still gathering field data to determine the best route for design. Notification letters of the requirements to install public sewer to the area should be sent out within the next thirty days. Commissioner Brown asked about the preliminary design, he said it requires crossing a MetEd right-of-way. He asked if MetEd has been contacted and they have not. Manager Rodgers said they are waiting for the final design before contacting anyone.

ON-LOT MANAGEMENT PLAN: Manager Rodgers reported an announcement letter and pump notification letter about the program have been finalized. The letters should be sent out in the next thirty days. WWTP Superintendent Mahone is also working on some informational flyers to provide additional details to the homeowners about what's going on. Commissioner Van de Castle asked if these are state-wide requirements and they are. Penn Township had to wait for the permit to be approved before moving forward, but other municipalities have been doing this for a while already.

ORE HOLE DUMP: Manager Rodgers reported we were notified by the property owners, ARWCO, that they don't want us dumping our construction spoils in the ore hole off of Glatco Lodge Road any longer since the permit expired in 2015. We are looking into renewing the permit if necessary and also looking for other sites that will accept fill. It was originally permitted through Snyder's and the apparent property owner may not want to renew. Engineer Bortner said Manheim Adventure Park is accepting fill and he believes that will work. Fill will be stockpiled at the yard and then moved to West Manheim when time allows. He explained the fill is often left over from sewer work.

NEWSLETTER: Manager Rodgers reported the newsletter is available on the website and will be distributed with the Merchandise on April 3rd or 4th.

NPDES PERMIT: Manager Rodgers reported our NPDES permit is still being reviewed. There are issues with our timeline for implementing chlorine changes. We requested two years and nine months from permit approval but that was too long. We are now looking at two years and three months. Manager Rodgers explained we are required to remove the chlorine from the water before it goes into the stream. In order to get the work done, we will need to begin work as soon as the permit is approved.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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Township Secretary