

MINUTES
HEALTH & SANITATION COMMITTEE
SEPTEMBER 5, 2017

The Penn Township Health & Sanitation Committee convened on Tuesday, September 5, 2017 at 8:29 p.m. Present were Chairman Van de Castle and Commissioners Brown, Felix, and Heilman. Also present were Township Manager Rodgers, Police Chief Laughlin, Police Lieutenant Hettinger, Fire Chief Clouser, Engineer Bortner, WWTP Superintendent Mahone, Interim Zoning Officer Garrett, and Township Secretary Hallett. Commissioner Klunk was absent with notice. The following items were discussed:

ANNOUNCEMENTS: None.

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

CITIZEN'S COMMENTS: None.

BARNHART DRIVE SEWER LINE: WWTP Superintendent Mahone reported on the Barnhart Drive sewer line. He said all the property owners have been sent copies of the plat plans and easement descriptions. Attorney Mullin has been instructed to prepare the agreements for the easements. Superintendent Mahone is waiting to hear back from some of the property owners to schedule a meeting to execute the agreements. So far ESAB and Penn Town Properties have agreed to discuss the easement.

ULTRAVIOLET DISINFECTION SYSTEM: WWTP Superintendent Mahone reported on the ultraviolet disinfection system. He said he has looked at four different manufacturers of UV systems; Enaqua, Suez, Wedeco, and Trojan. They have been short listed based on the hydraulics at the plant. The primary units being considered are Wedeco and Trojan. GHD will begin design of the tank modification based on these suppliers.

WASTEWATER DEPARTMENT PRESENTATION: WWTP Superintendent Mahone presented a report on the wastewater treatment facilities. He reviewed the history of the plant, operations, staffing, and future needs. The projects that will need to be funded in 2018 are as follows: Barnhart Drive sewer line (\$1,635,000), Northview Drive pumping station upgrade (\$16,300), ultra violet disinfection system (\$995,000), and Oak Hill/Hershey Heights sewer (\$3,450,000). Superintendent Mahone would like to replace three pieces of equipment in 2018. He'd like to replace the 1997 pickup truck with a ¾ ton truck for an estimated cost of \$40,000, the 2006 utility truck with a higher capacity truck with a crane on the back end for an estimated cost of \$70,000, and the influent refrigerated sampler for an estimated cost of \$9,000. Superintendent Mahone noted that the DEP requirement for the ultra violet disinfection project is for it to be completed by

October 2019 and for the Oak Hill/Hershey Heights sewer project the bid has to be awarded by May 2020.

Commissioner Van de Castle asked if there are two pumps going into the Northview pumping station and there are. Commissioner Brown asked if the cost for the Oakhill sewer project includes a pumping station and it does.

SHREDDING EVENT: The shredding event will be on October 21, 2017 from 8 a.m. until 1 p.m. This is open to Township residents only.

NEWSLETTER: The Fall/Winter newsletter is in printing now. It will be delivered by the Merchandiser on September 26, 2017.

REFUSE AND RECYCLING PRESENTATION: WWTP Superintendent Mahone presented a report on the refuse and recycling department. He reviewed operations, staffing and recycling collection totals. Superintendent Mahone reviewed repairs needed to six box trailers. One trailer is used on the road for magazine collection and the other five are storage for Township trash bags and supplies. The trailers range in age from 1978 to 1994. Superintendent Mahone said erecting a pole building would be an alternative to repairing or replacing the five trailers used for storage. Commissioner Heilman asked him to prepare cost estimates for repairing the trailers, replacing the trailers, and erecting a pole building.

OTHER MATTERS: None.

CITIZEN'S COMMENTS: None.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:54 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Angela M. Hallett
Township Secretary