

MINUTES  
HEALTH & SANITATION COMMITTEE  
MARCH 3, 2020

The Penn Township Health and Sanitation Committee convened on Tuesday, March 3, 2020 at 7:04 p.m. following the Finance Committee meeting. Present were Chairman Elksnis, Commissioners; Brown, Felix and Van de Castle. Also present were Township Manager Rodgers, WWTP Superintendent Mahone and Township Secretary Sweeney. Commissioner Heiland was absent with notice. The following items were discussed:

ANNOUNCEMENTS: None.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES: The minutes of the February 4, 2020 Health and Sanitation Committee meeting were approved as submitted.

CITIZEN'S COMMENTS: None.

OAKHILL HERSHEY HEIGHTS SEWER PROJECT: WWTP Superintendent Mahone reported that he and the Township Manager continue to meet with property owners to acquire the necessary sewer easements, they have met with three different owners for the first time since last month's meeting. Revised plats are expected to be delivered very soon. Manager Rodgers reported that she had received notice from the state regarding additional information that was needed on the H2O Grant, which has been submitted and is a good sign it is being reviewed.

ULTRAVIOLET DISINFECTION SYSTEM: WWTP Superintendent Mahone reported Wedeco removed the power monitoring equipment on February 21, 2020. They have indicated it will take a few weeks before they deliver the final report.

GRANDVIEW ROAD SEWER LINE REPAIR: WWTP Superintendent Mahone reported Shiloh is waiting until the Penn Dot paving start date of April 1, 2020, to make final restoration.

NEWSLETTER: WWTP Superintendent Mahone reported the Newsletter was sent to the Merchandiser to approve a print copy on March 3, 2020. Delivery will be the week of April 6, 2020.

OTHER MATTERS: Commissioner Brown stated that there has been some discussion on social media regarding recycling bins. WWTP Superintendent Mahone stated that any bin/container can be used as long as it is clearly marked, and there are holes drilled in the bottom for drainage. He added that there are free recycling stickers available at the Municipal Office as well as the recycling center.

CITIZEN'S QUESTIONS TO THE COMMITTEE: Mr. Jack Corriere, 114 Oakhill Drive, asked the committee when a decision was expected regarding the H2O Grant.

Manager Rodgers reported she has been in contact with Senator Mastriano's office and was told that in the past it could be early spring to as late as mid-July. Mr. Corriere also stated that he has had people walking through the woods around his property and noticed there were stakes placed in certain locations. He asked why, and added that it would be nice if they received notice when there would be people working around their property. WWTP Superintendent Mahone stated that they recently have had Hanover Land Services, Inc. surveying in the area for curbing and stormwater plans. Mr. Corriere asked if any information has been received from the DEP regarding a start date for the Oakhill Hershey Height's Sewer Project. WWTP Superintendent Mahone stated that the response from DEP has been as long as the project is moving forward they are fine with the delays. Easements, Penn DOT permitting, Occupancy permit, and land development plans all still need to be acquired before construction can begin.

Mr. Andy Novosedliak, 910 Hershey Heights Road, asked the Committee if the Township has any plans if the Coronavirus appears in the area. Commissioner Elksnis stated that the subject was addressed at last night's Public Safety Meeting and the Township's Emergency Management Coordinator is receiving constant updates from the CDC. Commissioner Brown added that he had heard that the Pennsylvania airports are monitoring for the virus.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:17 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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Township Secretary