

MINUTES  
HEALTH & SANITATION COMMITTEE  
APRIL 6, 2021

The Penn Township Health and Sanitation Committee convened on Tuesday, April 6, 2021 at 7:17 p.m. via an online meeting following the Finance Committee meeting. Present were Chairman Elksnis, Commissioners; Black, Brown, Cromer, and Heiland. Also present were Township Manager Rodgers, WWTP Superintendent Mahone and Township Secretary Sweeney. The following items were discussed:

ANNOUNCEMENTS: Commissioner Heiland stated there will be an executive session held following the Health & Sanitation Committee meeting.

Chairman Elksnis read a summary of the Public Meeting Guidelines.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES: The minutes of the March 2, 2021 Health and Sanitation Committee meeting were approved as submitted.

CITIZEN'S COMMENTS: None.

OAKHILL HERSHY HEIGHTS SEWER PROJECT: WWTP Superintendent Mahone reported with the Board of Commissioners decision to proceed with the filing of eminent domain for 841 Hershey Heights Road, GHD has been adjusting the plans and easements that will change with the relocation of the Hershey Heights pumping station. The township has received the highway occupancy permit; therefore, they can pot hole the Columbia Gas transmission line to determine the actual depth of the line, the excavation is scheduled for next week.

JANET STREET AND BREEZEWOOD DRIVE SEWER PROJECT: WWTP Superintendent Mahone reported Hanover Land Services is continuing to collect the field data for both of the locations. When the township receives the surveyed plans, the design can be finalized for the gravity sewer lines and determine what easements will be needed for the projects.

SHREDDING EVENT / FOOD DRIVE: WWTP Superintendent Mahone reported plans are finalized with Shredding Solutions and New Hope Ministries for the shredding and food drive event. The date of the event is April 24, 2021 from 8 am to 1pm. The event is for Penn Township residents only and ID will be required.

OTHER MATTERS: None.

CITIZEN'S QUESTIONS TO THE COMMITTEE: Mr. William Bowman, 123 Oak Hill Drive, requested an update on the meeting with GHD last month and the cost of the project. Chairman Elksnis stated that since meeting with GHD two years ago, the cost has increased approximately \$220,000.00. Mr. Bowman further asked regarding the

time line of the project. Chairman Elksnis stated that the goal for completion is the summer of 2023.

Mr. Jack Corriere, 114 Oak Hill Drive, asked the committee what is the difference of the Janet Drive and Breezewood pumping station repair, and the project at Oak Hill/Hershey Heights. WWTP Superintendent Mahone stated that this is a maintenance issue, and it is more economical to install the gravity sewer lines then to refurbish the existing pumping station that are approximately thirty years old. Mr. Corriere asked since new lines are being installed, are those residents paying for the installation. Commissioner Cromer stated that the residents in that area have been served and paying for public sewer for many years, which includes the maintenance of the infrastructure. Mr. Corriere asked the committee if they have looked at additional forms of financial help for the residents of the sewer installation at Oak Hill and Hershey Heights. Chairman Elksnis stated that they are looking and hopeful for assistance for the residents. Mr. Corriere asked Manager Rodgers about the relocation of the light pole on his property, at the corner of Oak Hill Drive and Beaver Creek Road. Manager Rodgers stated that it will be relocated in the right of way at the discretion of Met Ed.

Mr. Bowman stated that Penn Township has a resident living with the Corriere's, Mr. Corriere's mother in law is turning 100 years old. Commissioner Brown requested Manager Rodgers to prepare a proclamation for the Board of Commissioners Meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:36 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Donna M. Sweeney  
Township Secretary