

MINUTES
HEALTH & SANITATION COMMITTEE
NOVEMBER 5, 2019

The Penn Township Health and Sanitation Committee convened on Tuesday, November 5, 2019 at 7:15 p.m. following the Finance Committee meeting. Present were Chairman Heiland, Commissioners; Brown, Cromer, Felix and Van de Castle. Also present were Township Manager Rodgers, WWTP Superintendent Mahone and Township Secretary Sweeney. The following items were discussed:

ANNOUNCEMENTS: None.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES: The minutes of the October 1, 2019 Health and Sanitation Committee meeting were approved as submitted.

CITIZEN'S COMMENTS: None.

OAKHILL HERSHEY HEIGHTS SEWER PROJECT: WWTP Superintendent Mahone reported that on October 17, 2019, the township received the Water Quality Management permit approving the construction of two duplex pumping stations and collection system for the Oakhill and Hershey Heights area.

On November 4, 2019 he received an email indicating the current design route through the Met Ed right of way should be approved. When confirmation is received a meeting will be set up with the property owner to negotiate for a sewer easement and pumping station site. After that is completed the township will be able to submit an application for a Penn Dot Highway occupancy permit. Manager Rodgers stated she is working on an H2O grant for this project.

ULTRAVIOLET DISINFECTION SYSTEM: WWTP Superintendent Mahone reported the general contractor has installed the stilling baffle and the deflector weir which has eliminated the turbulence that was making the flow meter read incorrectly. On October 30, 2019 he informed control systems 21 to proceed with the installation of the upgrade to our wonderware so the SCADA System can communicate with the ultraviolet disinfection PLC. A walk through is scheduled with the general contractor and the electrical contractor for November 6th at 11 a.m.

GRANDVIEW ROAD SEWER LINE REPAIR: WWTP Superintendent Mahone reported contract documents were sent to Shiloh Paving and Excavating and are expected back very soon. They are intending to start the work after Thanksgiving and plan to work during the day between 9 a.m. and 3 p.m. They are anticipating 2-3 weeks to complete the pipe work and a few days to mill and pave sometime in the spring. GHD will be providing onsite inspection during the construction. Commissioner Brown asked if there will be traffic limitations during the work time, and Superintendent Mahone stated that it would go down to one lane during the work hours, which is after morning and before evening rush hours.

SHREDDING EVENT: WWTP Superintendent Mahone reported the shredding event was held on October 12, 2019, at the recycling drop off facility from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. There were 211 vehicles that dropped off 7,625 lbs. of material to be recycled. Superintendent Mahone contacted Shredding Solutions and tentatively scheduled the date of April 25, 2020, from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. for the next shredding event, and added that there may be a price increase due to the current recycling market. The committee recommended scheduling the spring event.

OTHER MATTERS: Manager Rodgers asked the committee if they received the copy of the agreement from GHD for the Grandview Road Project. The committee recommended moving forward.

CITIZEN'S QUESTIONS TO THE COMMITTEE: Andy Novosedliak, 910 Hershey Heights Blvd, asked the committee about the permit received on October 17 for the Oakhill/Hershey Heights project if that was for the overall approval, Superintendent Mahone confirmed that it is for the construction for the public collection system and for the pumping station. Mr. Novosedliak also asked about the grant that was mentioned earlier in the meeting. Manager Rodgers explained that was the H2O grant, for Stormwater and Sewer, the grant was just opened recently and is the first time in about ten years that it has been offered. The township did acquire one in 2009 to upgrade the sewer plant.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:27 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Donna M. Sweeney
Township Secretary