

MINUTES
HEALTH & SANITATION COMMITTEE
MARCH 2, 2010

The Penn Township Health & Sanitation Committee met in public session on Tuesday, March 2, 2010 at 7:17 PM following the Public Works Committee. Present were Chairman Rewa and Commissioners Prieber, Heilman, Goldsmith and Felix. Also present were Manager Garvick, WWTP Superintendent Mahone, Township Engineer Bortner, Administrative Assistant Rodgers, and Highway Foreman Mahan. The following items were discussed.

ANNOUNCEMENTS: None

APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES: Minutes from the February 2, 2010 meeting were approved as presented.

CITIZENS REMARKS: None

WEST MANHEIM ADDITIONAL CAPACITY: WWTP Superintendent Mahone reviewed West Manheim's additional sewer capacity reserve agreement. The capacity agreement is for 400 edu's as a result of the developer's agreement that was previously approved. The agreement was recommended for approval.

SEWER TAPPING FEE CALCULATIONS: Supt. Mahone reported that our sanitary engineers, CET, Inc. have recalculated the sewer-tapping fee based on the estimated costs for the proposed upgrades to the plant. The new tapping fee could be set at a maximum of \$2298 versus the current \$1030. The Committee recommended increasing the cost of the tapping fee.

ESTIMATED COST FOR CREDIT AND DEBIT PAYMENTS: Administrative Assistant Rodgers reviewed the additional costs, provided by PNC Bank, that we would incur for ach and credit card payment of sewer invoices. The Committee decided not to pursue these types of payments but to survey the residents to see if they wanted the option. The survey will be available on line but advertised in the newsletter.

MAC/DARE RECYCLING PROGRAM: Superintendent Mahone stated that we received a request from Mid Atlantic Clothing Recycling to place a small storage shed at the community park to collect clothing. The clothing would then sent to third world countries, sold or shredded. They would provide the sheds along with maintaining them and collecting the material. They would provide \$100 for each box to the municipality each year for the Local D.A.R.E. program along with \$100 to the state D.A.R.E. program. MAC was informed that the Township currently has a textile-recycling program. The Township earned \$823 last year from recycling textiles. Superintendent Mahone told MAC he would still bring it up to the Committee for their input. The Committee indicated it was not in favor of placing numerous boxes throughout the Township nor was it in favor of relinquishing any revenue we now receive.

SPRING NEWSLETTER: Superintendent Mahone reported that he would like all articles for the Spring newsletter by March 24, 2009

SHREDDING EVENT: The next shredding event is scheduled for April 24, 2010 for residents only. The collection will be from 9:00 am to 2:00 p.m.

PUMPING STATION REPLACEMENT: Manager Garvick reported that the Township is making progress with PADEP on the elimination of two pumping stations. These stations are at Timberland and Laurel Drive. Once the Township receives DEP approval they can proceed with the projects.

CITIZENS QUESTIONS TO THE COMMITTEE REGARDING DISCUSSION ITEMS:
None.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:44 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
Jeffrey R. Garvick, Manager