

MINUTES
HEALTH & SANITATION COMMITTEE
OCTOBER 5, 2010

The Penn Township Health & Sanitation Committee met in public session on Tuesday, October 5, 2010 at 8:01 PM following the Public Works Committee. Present were Chairman Rewa and Commissioners Goldsmith and Felix. Commissioners Heilman and Prieber were absent with notice. Also present were Manager Garvick, Township Engineer Bortner, Highway Forman Mahan, WWTP Supt. Mahone and Administrative Assistant Rodgers. The following items were discussed.

ANNOUNCEMENTS: None

APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES: Minutes from the September 7, 2010 meeting were approved as presented.

CITIZENS REMARKS: None

SEWER PLANT CONSTRUCTION PROGRES: Supt. Mahone reported that the contractors continue the upgrade of the WWTP by retrofitting the 1964 structures. He stated that the effluent troughs have been cut into the structure and the core holes have been completed in aeration tank number one. They are waiting for the wall sleeve to come in. The shop drawings for the steel have been approved. The steel and forms will arrive in the next two weeks and they expect the first concrete pour to occur within the next three weeks.

TOWER MEDIA RECYCLING: Supt. Mahone reported that one of the media towers has been removed. We have been receiving payments for the resale of the plastic media and we will show a profit of \$79,000 on the project.

E.B. FROCK AWARD: Superintendent Mahone reported that the Township's recycling program received the E.B. Frock Award from York County Juvenile Delinquent Program for the use of ARD participants at the facility. The Township has been using the ARD referrals since 1992. WWTP Superintendent Mahone reported that since 2008 the program has provided 9,753 service hours of which 3,267 hours were through the juvenile probation department.

BUDGET DISCUSSION: Superintendent Mahone reported that the sewer revenue is slightly lower for 2011 than budgeted for 2010. He noted that current year expense reimbursements increased due to the reimbursements to those developers who installed the Homewood and Plum Creek interceptors. Mr. Mahone has increased wages, and lowered vehicle maintenance, decreased supplies, and decreased chemicals. He reported that his supply of ferrous chloride has dried up since the steel plant at Sparrow's Point has closed. He has contacted another chemical supplier and there is a product available that is more highly concentrated so we would need to use less. However, the cost is much more than what we were paying. Last year's cost was

about \$12,000 and he is projecting 2011 costs to be between \$25,000 and \$35,000. The number in the proposed budget is high for chemicals and it may be reduced. The Township has to pay Hanover Borough for the extra sewer flow that goes to their plant from the Township. The engineering costs for the upgrade to the plant will be decreasing as the project progresses. He has reduced the maintenance and repair portion of his budget. He has budgeted capital outlay for a new loader. He feels that the sewer plant loader should be larger to help the public works out during snow plowing and be similar to the existing one so parts are interchangeable. He stated that this year's budget is about 2.5% less than last year's budget.

CITIZENS QUESTIONS TO THE COMMITTEE REGARDING DISCUSSION ITEMS:

None.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:23 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jeffrey R. Garvick, Manager