

MINUTES
HEALTH & SANITATION COMMITTEE
NOVEMBER 2, 2010

The Penn Township Health & Sanitation Committee met in public session on Tuesday, November 2, 2010 at 7:37 PM following the Public Works Committee. Present were Chairman Rewa and Commissioners Goldsmith, Felix, Heilman and Prieber. 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 October 5, 2010 meeting were approved as presented.

CITIZENS REMARKS: None

SEWER PLANT CONSTRUCTION PROGRESS: Supt. Mahone reported that the contractors continue to demolish the structures that need to be removed at the wastewater treatment plant. One circular clarifier and one nitro tower have been removed. Two of the old digester floors have been poured with reinforcing slabs and they are working on the walls of the tanks. CET is reviewing equipment shop drawings so that orders can be made and arrive when needed. Supt. Mahone stated that they are slightly behind where we would like them to be.

BILLING ADJUSTMENT: Supt. Mahone received a letter from Steve Latta requesting a reduction of his sewer bill due to the installation and filling of a swimming pool. The pool had to be filled twice because of a tear in the liner. He had asked the contractor about having a deduct meter installed and the contractor told him it would not be beneficial in Penn Township. As a result of the two fill ups and the watering of the sod around the pool, Mr. Latta's sewer bill reflected a usage of 103 thousand gallons of water compared to the normal 13 thousand gallons of quarterly water consumption. Mr. Latta would like a waiver of the excess water above his normal usage. The Committee reviewed the deduct meter policy and will follow the regulations set forth in the policy. Mr. Latta will be notified that his request is denied.

CHRISTMAS WRAP PROGRAM: Supt. Mahone reported that the annual Christmas wrap disposal program normally runs for three and half days but this year the Township is only open three days the week following Christmas. This is because Christmas falls on a Saturday in 2010. In 2005 this occurred and Christmas wrap collection was only held three days. Mr. Mahone inquired if the committee wished to extend the hours on the last day to give working people additional time to get their material to the facility. The collection will be at the Public Works Building due to the construction at the WWTP. The Committee recommended that the wrap collection be open until 7 p.m. on Wednesday, December 29th.

NEWSLETTER: There was a suggestion that an article be included in the next newsletter about the PA state inspection stickers that are failing to stay adhered to the windshields of vehicles. Manager Garvick will check with the Chief of Police about what suggestions can be made.

CITIZENS QUESTIONS TO THE COMMITTEE REGARDING DISCUSSION ITEMS:

None.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:57 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jeffrey R. Garvick, Manager