MINUTES

WEST MANCHESTER TOWNSHIP AUTHORITY

May 19, 2022

The regular monthly meeting of the Board of the West Manchester Township Authority was called to order in the offices of the Shiloh Water Authority on May 19, 2022 at 7:02 pm. Mr. Bentzel, Mr. Hamme, Mr. Williams, and Mr. Woodmansee were present as were Horvatinovic, WMTA; Ms. Young, Engineer; and Mr. Baranski, Solicitor. Mr. Javitt was absent.

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A **MOTION** was made by Mr. Hamme and seconded by Mr. Williams to approve the minutes of April 21, 2022 as presented. Motion passed 4-0.

PUBLIC COMMENT, QUESTIONS:

There were no public comments or questions.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Mr. Bentzel read the Treasurer's report in Mr. Javitt's absence:

Checking Account Balance:	4/1/22	\$233,355.82
Receipts:		
Cellular Tower Rental Water Revenue Penalty Interest Escrow from NB&C Overpayment, Amtrust Transfer from Capital Reserve Fund		<pre>\$ 8,134.99 \$ 82,099.79 \$ 408.77 \$ 19.13 \$ 5,000.00 \$ 1,623.00 \$ 300,000.00</pre>
Total Income:		\$ 397,285.68
Expenses:		\$ 53,806.66
Checking Account Balance:	4/30/22	\$577,169.47
Escrow Funds Held:		\$ 17,790.20
Available Balance:		\$559,379.27
Capital Reserve Fund:		
PLGIT Beginning Balance:	4/1/22	\$1,112,207.39
Interest Transfer to checking		\$ 141.61 \$ \$300,000.00

A **MOTION** was made by Mr. Williams and seconded by Mr. Woodmansee to approve the Treasurer's report as presented. Motion passed 4-0.

MANAGER'S REPORT:

Mr. Horvatinovic stated that a neighbor of the Ridings Way tank under refurbishment and the painter have not yet reached an agreement on damages that may have resulted from the tank painting.

The "Eurotherm/Nanodec chlorine and pressure recorders" have been installed on wells 1 and 9.

The 1670 Church Rd hydrant will be replaced once Gingerich Excavation has found adequate number of flaggers for the project.

Richard Jackson Spouting has installed the new 6" gutters on the garage.

No date scheduled for the 4" line hydrant pressure test.

The Authority has received its first payment from the LIHWAP program and has shut off water at a property on 1555 Church Rd., at the request of the Township, for failure to pay its overdue sewer bill.

The trailer which was approved for sale by the Authority has been picked up by the buyer.

The project to detail all services in the system has been modified to include only those few services that are unusual enough to require a special description.

The Board asked Mr. Horvatinovic to review the "Rules and Regulations" of the Authority since the last changes of record were in 2016. Developing a back-up process for printing quarterly bills was discussed and Mr. Bentzel stated that he would review the process with Mr. Horvatinovic as part of the "Transition" work.

ENGINEER'S REPORT:

Ms. Young discussed a problem that developed in the final painting of the Deerford Way tank. "Micro bubbles" have been detected in the final coat. The tank will be completely re-painted and a 3 yr. guarantee will be in place for the paint job. The Board discussed how to structure payments to the contractor for this work.

A **MOTION** was made by Mr. Williams and seconded by Mr. Woodmansee to approve paying the contractor's request in two parts. The first payment of \$37,800 will be made immediately, while the final payment of \$58,995 will be made upon completion of the final painting and its approval by the Engineer. The motion passed 4-0.

There was still no word from Verizon for anticipated changes to their equipment on the Locust Lane tank.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT:

The Solicitor recapped the problems at the Sunset Lane tank regarding the failure of ClearWire/Nextel/T-Mobile to pay current lease payments and remove their equipment on the tank and the

subsequent Tax sale on the Equipment by the County. Mr. Lyons has dropped his suit against the Authority regarding the equipment he purchased at the Tax sale, so the Authority must now re-file the suit against ClearWire/Nextel/T-Mobile and Ed Lyons. Mr. Baransky has received no response by the equipment owner(s) and has told them that the price is going up each month by the monthly lease amount as well as any additional costs taking down the equipment still on the tank. At this point in time, the amount being requested by the Authority in the suit is \$68,719.52.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

a. DISCUSSION TOPICS:

<u>Garage repair project</u>: Mr. Bentzel reported that he has submitted the Building Permit application to the Township to repair the posts in the Authority garage. He has not heard back from the Township about whether or not it has been approved.

Curb Stop ID Project: No update beyond the Manager's Report.

Trimmer Standpipe legal action: No additional information beyond the Solicitor's report.

<u>Transition Planning</u>: Nothing additional beyond the report made by Mr. Bentzel during the Manager's report.

b. LOCUST LANE ANTENNA MODIFICATIONS REQUEST: There was no action taken on the Verizon equipment modification because Verizon has not responded to our request for information and a bond.

NEW BUSINESS:

a. DEERFORD Way tank Painting: Nothing beyond the report in the Engineer's report.

OTHER BUSINESS:

The Board reviewed the pumping records and water usage for the previous month.

a. PAYMENT OF BILLS: Bills were reviewed and a **MOTION** was made by Mr. Williams and seconded by Mr. Hamme to approve bills totaling \$81,976.74. The motion passed 4-0.

ADJOURNMENT:

Meeting was adjourned at 8:45 PM. by Chairman Bentzel.

Respectfully submitted,

W. Lee Woodmansee, Secretary