

# ONTELAUNEE TOWNSHIP MUNICIPAL AUTHORITY

## MINUTES

**July 14, 2016**

The regular meeting was called to order at 1:00pm by the Chairman Michael Schwenk.

**Executive Session:** An executive session was held from 12:30pm to 12:56pm – to discuss litigation.

In addition to the Chairman Michael Schwenk, the attendees were member Richard Reilly, member Melvin Bailey, member William Klein, Engineer William McMullen, and Attorney Elizabeth Magovern. Vice Chairman Romao Carrasco was absent.

The delinquent and lien reports were provided to the Board.

- There are 5 delinquent accounts and the total amount delinquent is \$11,212.65

### **Visitor(s):**

- Jamie Schlesinger from PFM Financial Group was in to discuss the possible refinancing of the Sewer Bonds. This process will take place over the next several months with an anticipated settlement date of February 2017. A review of the debt and the restructuring of the finances could result in the reduction of the monthly sewer rate. Mr. Schlesinger will look into bank loans and bonds to see which will net in a better outcome for the Authority.
- John Goodman representing Dynegey Energy was present to discuss the current number of EDU's assigned to the property recently purchased from Walter Pohl. There are 8 EDU's currently assigned to the property which has a vacant office building. A non-residential questionnaire will be sent to Mr. Goodman for completion and once returned will be reviewed at the next OTMA meeting held on August 11, 2016.
- Scott Anderson from Great Valley Consultants was present to discuss the proposed new office building for the property owned by Cleveland Track Material and operating as Vossloh. The current building is serviced by a well and utilizes 5 EDU's of the OTMA Sanitary Sewer. Mr. Anderson would like to know if the new structure needs additional EDU's as well as how the water supply would be handled. A non-residential questionnaire will be sent and upon return will be discussed at the next OTMA meeting held on August 11, 2016.
- Robert Leshner was present to discuss the 2 properties that he owns located at 5307 and 5309 Pottsville Pike. Mr. Leshner would like to return 2 of the 3 EDU's assigned to the parcels. The Board would like to consult with Attorney Magovern regarding the request and will advise of the outcome on or before the next OTMA meeting.

NO ONE WAS PRESENT FROM LEESPORT BOROUGH AUTHORITY.

NO ONE WAS PRESENT FROM MAIDENCREEK AUTHORITY.

**Resolutions:** N/A

### **Correspondence:**

- Cambridge Lee Industries was contacted by RAWA due to the mag meters not reading electronically. CLI questioned the OTMA if they had to go with Chris Hemmig or with any plumber of their choice. It was the choice of CLI, but they decided to go with Chris Hemmig to make the repairs.
- A RTK request was received from Adam Householder on Friday July 8, 2016. The request asked for a listing of Commercial customers connected to the sanitary sewer system. As requested, the response was sent via email which served to close the record.
- Quotes regarding the maintenance and repair for the grinder pump station located in the Wingco Development. This pump station is noted as PS#8.

### **Motions:**

- A motion was made by Michael Schwenk to authorize C.F. Heckman to clean out the wet wells at the pump stations in the amount of \$2,195.00. Richard Reilly seconded the motion. The motion carried 4-0.
- A motion was made by Michael Schwenk to rescind the motion made at the June 9<sup>th</sup> meeting which authorized a letter to be sent to the resident at 41 Calais Drive regarding the tampering of the meter. Richard Reilly seconded the motion. The motion carried 4-0.
- A motion was made by Richard Reilly to prepare a resolution regarding penalties and fines for tampering with the property of OTMA and the minimum fine shall be \$1500.00. William Klein seconded the motion. The motion carried 4-0.
- A motion was made by Michael Schwenk to agree to take back 2 EDU's for the properties owned by Robert Leshar which are located at 5307 and 5311 Pottsville Pike. OTMA shall begin billing Mr. Leshar for 1 EDU at the current rate of \$115.00 in October of 2016. Mr. Leshar is making improvements to the duplex house (5309/5311). The duplex will become a single family dwelling (5309). The property located at 5307 Pottsville Pike is in foreclosure and will be vacated within the next couple of months. The motion is contingent upon hearing from Attorney Magovern regarding the EDU's being returned. Richard Reilly seconded the motion. The motion was denied with a 2-2 vote. The motion did not carry.

### **Misc:**

#### **Approval of Minutes:**

- A motion was made by Melvin Bailey to approve the minutes from the regular meeting held on June 9, 2016. William Klein seconded the motion. The motion was carried 4-0.

#### **Solicitor's Report:**

- Leshar – Sheriff is prepared to go and levy on personal property.

#### **Inspector's Report:**

- 418 Indian Manor Drive – Water Service only – new connection

#### **Engineer's Report:**

- The air release pit located in the Brenntag driveway is approved and should be completed the first or second week in August.
- Suburban Labs will be testing PS4 and PS7 monthly for a period of 6 months beginning March 2016.
- The CCR report was completed and forwarded to the OTMA Secretary for disbursement.

#### **Sewer Operator's Report:**

- The additive PROKA900 has been added twice a week to the wastewater system and results are good.
- The Wet wells at PS6 and PS7 will be pressure washed and cleaned by CF Heckman within the next couple of weeks.
- Requesting that it be budgeted for 2017 to have the EPS control panel replaced/repared in PS4 and PS#1. The cost for pump station #4 is \$3,201.00.

#### **Water Operator's Report:**

- Hydrant Flushing & PA One Calls are completed as needed. 52 received for the month of June.
- Gernants Church Road – Completed July 2, 2016.
- 7 Water Meters were installed.
- The new water hook-up at 418 Indian Manor Drive was completed on June 16, 2016.

#### **Expenditure's**

- A motion was made by Michael Schwenk to approve the current payables in the amount of \$47,534.72 and the Board payroll in the amount of \$400.00 for July 14, 2016. William Klein seconded the motion. The motion was carried 4-0.

#### **Adjournment**

- A motion was made by Michael Schwenk to adjourn the regular meeting at 3:14pm. Richard Reilly seconded the motion. The motion was carried 4-0.

Minutes submitted by: Kelly A. Burdick