

Chairman Rick Kochel called to order the Earl Township Board of Supervisors meeting, held on **Thursday, January 17, 2019**, at 7:00 a.m. The following were present: Supervisors Rick Kochel and Ray Martin.

Tom Nehilla, Barley Snyder Law Firm, Samuel Stoltzfus and Tom Matteson, Diehm & Sons, were present to inquire on the progress of addressing the lack of usable Industrial lands with the Township and updating to the ELANCO Regional Comprehensive Plan. Rick reported that a meeting with the neighboring municipalities is scheduled for Wednesday January 23, 2019 to discuss the willingness of the ELANCO Regional municipalities to conduct a Plan update.

Michael Bingham and Stephanie Clay, Arro Group, Michael Rogers, Bruce Pringle, Advanced Food Products (AFP), Mark Mital, Fleur De Lait (FDL) and Jim Grieder, Savencia USA, were present to review and discuss the proposed expansion of the AFP and FDL plant, potentially in New Holland Borough (NH Boro) and/or Earl Township. The proposed plant expansion will generate more sewage flow than their existing private Sewer Treatment Plant (STP) can process. Several options are being considered to address the increased sewage flows and are as follows:

Option 1. Expand near the existing STP in NH Boro.

Option 2. Expand and build a new STP within Earl Township boundaries.

Option 3. Expand in NH Boro and within the Earl Township boundaries.

AFP and FDL would prefer that the sewage discharge continue to go to NH Boro, and NH Boro has indicated they have sufficient capacity for the additional flow. If expansion occurs within the Township boundaries the Board of Supervisors would need to approve sending the flow to the neighboring municipality.

The Supervisors are requesting input from the Earl Township Sewer Authority and their Engineer Gary Martin. Developer Agreements shall be executed prior to any further Professional reviews and discussions.

Ray made a **motion to approve signing the Earl Township Waste and Recycling Contract Change Order #1 with Eagle Disposal**, Rick seconded and all voted yes.

Brenda requested approval to research allowing electronic and/or credit card payments for services provided by the Township. After a discussion, the Board of Supervisors approved researching options to accept electronic and/or credit card payments.

Meeting adjourned at 8:15 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Brenda S Becker, Secretary