

**Mercersburg Sewer Authority
Borough Hall, Mercersburg PA
July 11, 2019
MINUTES**

Attending: Chairman Dan Chayes, Vice Chairman Jim Malone, Gene Headley, Catalin Bonciu, Borough Manager Derek Stoy, Secretary Stacey Golden

Absent: John Rose

Guest(s) / Press: None

Chairman Dan Chayes called the meeting to order at 7 PM with no public comment received. He then went on to the agenda items.

MOTION: To approve the Treasurer's Report and Bills Payable Invoices for the months ending May 31, 2019 & June 30, 2019 was made by Catalin Bonciu, second by Jim Malone. All ayes, motion carried.

Chairman Dan Chayes stated that the May 9, 2019 minutes were accepted as presented.

The Authority moved into the Borough Manager's Report.

Borough Manager Derek Stoy began his report by saying that Engineer Lance Hoover sent his apologies for not being able to attend. Manager Stoy reported that the infiltration study is almost completed. Reed bed #3 and #4 have been excavated and there are still some outstanding invoices. Manager Stoy estimated that there has been \$39,500.00 spent on the project so far to include track hoe rental, sludge hauling, sludge processing at the dump, state for roads along both beds, gates made at APX, pipe, fittings and fuel. Stoy said he is hoping the expense won't be near as much in 7-10 years when excavating is needed again. Manager Stoy noted that the beds are over 20 years old and were never excavated. Stoy reported on Reed Bed #1 saying they are not growing to his satisfaction and that he is in constant communication with the company and they are guaranteed. Stoy said he advised Plant Operator Paul Sharrow to keep a detailed log on what is done to them in case there is an issue in the future. A new grinder was approved at the June meeting, Chairman Chayes inquired about a grinder with a possible variable frequency drive. Stoy asked the Authority to rescind the previous motion regarding the grinder and purchase a new one if the Authority agrees. A transfer station pump is out of service at the reed beds, Stoy noted that the pump is currently being checked and he will have an update at the next meeting noting that there is another pump that is working at the station. Stoy approached the Authority about purchasing a new plow/mini dump truck to replace the 1997 F-350. Stoy said he is gathering prices and will be approaching the General Authority for a donation and each entity to get approval to use funds from the Joint Equipment Fund to make the purchase. Borough Manager Stoy anticipates the cost to be around \$85k and included that in around 3-4 years he would also like to replace the 2019 International Dump Truck. Manager Stoy reported that he would not be able to attend the August meeting but would have the numbers finalized for the 1997 truck replacement.

MOTION: To go into executive session at 7:43 PM was made by Jim Malone, second by Catalin Bonciu. All ayes, motion carried.

The Sewer Authority resumed regular session at 8:28 PM.

MOTION: To rescind the May 9th, 2019 motion approving the purchase of a Taskmaster Grinder in the amount of \$21,460.00 and approve the purchase of a Wipes Monster Grinder from Watermark Environmental Systems for \$29,000. Motion made by Jim Malone, Catlin Bonciu second. All ayes, motion carried.

MOTION: To permit Borough Manager Derek Stoy to spend up to \$6,000 for the replacement and or repair of the transfer pump at the reed beds was made by Jim Malone, second by Gene Headley. All ayes, motion carried.

MOTIN: To adjourn at 8:30 was made by Jim Malone, second by Catlin Bonciu. All ayes, meeting adjourned.

These meeting minutes have been transcribed and respectfully submitted for approval by Stacey Golden with the use of her meeting notes and audio recording.

Date approved: _____