

**Mercersburg Sewer Authority
Borough Hall, Mercersburg PA
October 11, 2018
MINUTES**

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

Absent: None

Guest(s) / Press: None

Chairman Chayes called the meeting to order at 6:55 pm with no public comment received. He then went on to the agenda items.

Sewer Authority members discussed the money market. Borough Manager Stoy commented that he would like to bring a PLIGIT representative to Personnel.

MOTION: To approve the Treasurer's Report and Bills Payable Invoices for the months ending August 31, 2018 and September 30, 2018 was made by Catalin Bonciu, second by John Rose. All ayes, motion carried.

The Authority opened the floor to the Borough Manager's Report. Borough Manager Derek Stoy reported on Reed Bed #1 stating that money was saved doing it "in house". Stoy reported that there was a pressure sewer main break on Keefer Drive which contributed to raw sewage being spilled out in the Food Lion parking lot. Public Works Department along with Paul Sharrow worked with Peters Township Municipal Authority to begin cleanup. Chairman Dan Chayes commended Manager Derek Stoy for doing a great job on the cleanup. Stoy moved on in his report to the 2019 budget noting that he prepared the budget with no rate increase to customers. Stoy also mentioned that the health insurance for employees was only increasing by 0.7%. Stoy concluded his report with stating he will be on vacation November 1st through the 9th.

The Authority went into New Business. Manager Derek Stoy provided a proposal from Engineer, Lance Hoover regarding the infiltration study. Stoy spoke with Hoover about monitoring with the flow meters to see where the huge mitigation issues are, camera the lines for holes and look at the manholes. Stoy said Hoover would train the Public Works Department to look at every manhole and do an inspection report.

MOTION: To accept the Dennis E. Black fee proposal not to exceed \$8500 and eliminating paragraph two of the Termination clause was made by John Rose, second by Jim Malone. All ayes, motion carried.

Borough Manager reviewed the 2019 proposed budget and explained that he felt sewer sales would stay the same. Stoy noted that the health insurance for employees was only increasing by 0.7%. Borough Manager Derek Stoy went over line items that he adjusted. Stoy commented that the \$8500 for the Dennis E. Black fee proposal will come out of the 2018 budget under engineering. Dan Chayes commented that he would like to clean up the line items and suggested changing the wording of line 429.21 to treatment plant O&M vs. treatment plant, maintenance & supplies. Stoy noted that he would

like to incorporate "training" into the dues and memberships line item or make it a separate line item. Dan Chayes also suggested adding "reed bed project" as a separate line item.

Chairman Dan Chayes said that staying ahead of the infiltration system is important. Chayes stated that it is important to maintain the plant vs. rebuilding another plant.

MOTION: To adjourn at 8:00 pm was made by Catalin Bonciu, second by John Rose. All ayes, motion carried.

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: _____