

**Mercersburg Sewer Authority
Borough Hall, Mercersburg PA
February 13, 2020
MINUTES**

Attending: Chairman Dan Chayes, Jim Malone, Gene Headley, Jon Piper, Borough Manager Derek Stoy, Secretary/Treasurer Stacey Golden

Absent: Catalin Bonciu, John Rose

Guest(s) / Press: None

Chairman Dan Chayes called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

No public comments.

The minutes from January 9, 2020 were accepted as written.

Chairman Dan Chayes asked that line number 429.23 on the Profit & Loss Report be changed to say "Reed Bed #2".

MOTION: To accept the Treasurer's Report and Bills Payable month ending January 31, 2020 was made by Jim Malone, second by Gene Headley. All ayes, motion carried.

Authority moved into the Borough Manager's Report.

Borough Manager Derek Stoy provided a quote from Valley Track for rubber tracks for the mini excavator. Stoy noted that the purchase would be made from the Joint Equipment Fund and that all three entities would need to approve the purchase. There will not be a personnel meeting for the month. Manager Stoy provided the authority with a list of updates at the sewer plant to include: **Service Influent Valves**- A visit to the plant from York Springs on February 18th is scheduled for a quote; **Install Decant Valves and Actuators**- Both are ready to be installed by Musser Mechanical; **Waste Transfer Pump**- Ready to be installed; **Automated DO/PH Probe**- Ready to be installed; **Digester Blower #2 Timer Board**- The board has failed and needs looked at; **Main Pumping Station Alarm**- An alarm system is ready for installation since internet has been currently installed; **Generator at Main Plant Operation**- Automatic startup is needed; **Control Panel Heater**- Heater at the control panel at the Main Pumping Station still needs repaired; **Sludge Pump Repair**- One side of dual sludge pump has been repaired, the other side still needs done. Stoy concluded his report saying that there have been high test results with ammonia and Engineer Lance Hoover and Plant Operator Jon Piper recommend that the top three on the list be done immediately to avoid any issues with DEP.

MOTION: To approve quote from Valley Track to install rubber track for the mini excavator in the amount of \$1950 was made by Jim Malone, second by Gene Headley. All ayes, motion carried.

Authority moved into Plant Manager's Report.

Plant Manager, Jon Piper reported that there was a violation of the NPDES permit. Piper said he has been struggling with balancing and or treatment with SBR #2 noting that there has been "exceptionally high volumes" of sludge/waste. Piper is working with Engineer Lance Hoover to come up with a solution. Piper listed a few mechanical problems to include 1. Leaking influent/effluent valves, not allowing for proper cycling or treatment. 2. Sludge/waste pump in SBR #2, not responding to operator changes. Plant Manager Jon Piper said he responded to an alarm call on January 29th for an influent valve which failed to close. Evaluation on January 30th with Engineer Lance Hoover confirmed that valves need serviced. Piper visited Mercersburg Little League Park on February 10th to evaluate I&I problem, concrete risers with lid will eliminate the problem, Borough Manager Derek Stoy is contacting local contractor to complete the job. Piper concluded his report saying he is still learning about the plant and it's operations.

No Old Business.

Authority reviewed committee meeting dates.

MOTION: To adjourn at 7:25 PM was made by Jim Malone, second by Gene Headley. 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: _____