

**Mercersburg Water Authority
Borough Hall, Mercersburg, PA
July 16, 2020
MINUTES**

Attending: Chairman Ed Twine, Michael Pedersen, Jason Frey, Larry Nair, Borough Secretary/Treasurer Stacey Golden

Absent: Derek Stoy

Guests/Press: Andy Abel

Chairman Ed Twine called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM. Committee members introduced themselves.

MOTION: To approve the Treasurer's Report for the month ending June 30, 2020 was made by Larry Nair, second by Jason Frey. All ayes, motion carried.

MOTION: To approve the Bills Payable/Invoice list for the month ending June 30, 2020 was made by Michael Pedersen, second by Larry Nair. All ayes, motion carried.

MOTION: To accept the June 18, 2020 meeting minutes as presented was made by Jason Frey, second by Michael Pedersen. All ayes, motion carried.

Authority moved into the Plant Manager's Report.

Plant Manager Lantz Sourbier submitted a written report that stated "There are no major issues at the moment. We are making excellent water and so far keeping up with increased summer demand and we will continue to monitor issues related to the evolving drought conditions. Lance Hoover and I recently discussed the need to expedite the rebuilding of filter number three and bring it back online, so we can maintain quality production."

Authority moved into the Borough Manager's Report.

Borough Manager Derek Stoy began his report with giving an update on COVID 19 saying the office is now open to the public and back to a regular operating schedule. Due to COVID 19, the June quarterly billing shut offs will be delayed 30 days, both the water and sewer authorities agreed via telephone. A motion will be needed. Engineer Lance Hoover and DEP are still going back and forth on permit applications, DEP will not budge on the complete removal of all media from each filter for review. Stoy explained "This will result in costing the authority money in media replacement. As of creation of this report, a decision has not been made from DEP on how we are to proceed." Manager Derek Stoy continued in his report with reporting two service leaks, one on July 9th and July 13th. Stoy said himself along with the Public Works team worked through the night fixing the July 13th leak at Ensminger Alley and North Main Street. The Personnel meeting scheduled for July 20th is cancelled. Manager Stoy continued in his report saying the clear well floats and junction boxes are in need of replacement. Stoy provided an estimate from Marshall Stuff. A Financing RFP (Request for Proposal) from Solicitor Sam

Wiser was provided for review with a narrative explaining. Borough Manager Derek Stoy concluded his report with a COA (Consent Order & Agreement) between Mercersburg Water Authority and the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania for review, a narrative from solicitor Sam Wiser was also included.

No Old Business.

Authority moved into New Business.

MOTION: To approve a 30 day extension for the June quarterly water and sewer billing shut offs was made by Jason Frey, second by Larry Nair. All ayes, motion carried.

MOTION: To approve the quote from MCStuff Electric for clearwater well float replacement in the amount of \$1650.00 was made by Michael Pedersen, second by Jason Frey. All ayes, motion carried.

MOTION: To approve allowing Borough Manager Derek Stoy to shop for loans for refinancing to fund extraordinary working capital and capital projects for the Water System in an amount not to exceed \$400,000 was made by Jason Frey, second by Larry Nair. All ayes, motion carried.

MOTION: To authorize the chairman and solicitor to sign the consent order and agreement with DEP pending the resolution of the contents of the interim operations plan referenced therein to the satisfaction of the authority's manager, solicitor, and design consultant was made by Larry Nair second by Michael Pedersen. All ayes, motion carried.

Borough Manager Derek Stoy said there would be a Streets Committee meeting but not sure if it would be in person or through Zoom. Stoy also said a vac truck and personnel provided by Borough of Greencastle would be working to clean out valves Monday free of charge.

MOTION: To adjourn the meeting at 7:30 PM was made by Larry Nair, second by Michael Pedersen. All ayes, motion carried.

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

Date approved: _____ Motion: _____ Second: _____