

UPPER SAUCON SEWAGE TREATMENT AUTHORITY MINUTES

Meeting Held Monday, October 5, 2020

4774 Saucon Creek Road

Chairman Bruce Bush called to order the regular meeting of the Upper Saucon Sewage Treatment Authority at approximately 6:30 pm in the public meeting room of the Upper Saucon Township Water and Sewer Department office building, 4774 Saucon Creek Road, Upper Saucon Township, Lehigh County, PA.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Bruce Bush – Chairman

Ronald Reybitz - Asst. Secretary and Asst. Treasurer

Joaquin (Jack) DeMatos - Vice Chairman

Ryan Holmes - Secretary

Mark Sullivan – Treasurer

STAFF PRESENT:

Gary A. Brienza, Solicitor

Andy Bohl P.E., Engineer

Farley Fry P.E., Engineer

Patrick Lambert, Director of Water and Sewer Resources

Ed Rasich, UST Asst. Director of Water and Sewer Resources

VISITORS:

None

NOTIFICATION:

All public sessions of the Upper Saucon Township Sewage Treatment Authority are electronically recorded. The recordings are maintained as part of the record of the meeting until the minutes are transcribed and approved by the Authority.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

None

MINUTES:

A motion was made and seconded to approve the meeting minutes as presented from September 2020.

Motion passed unanimously.

CORRESPONDENCE:

Authority members may comment on the correspondence packets or the "Summary" which they received.

(Note: This is a summary of the correspondence prepared by the Chairman. Details must be obtained by reading the actual piece of correspondence).

No Correspondence

CORRESPONDENCE COMMENTS:

None

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SOLICITOR'S REPORT:

The Solicitor's Report dated October 5, 2020 was presented by Solicitor Brienza.

Solicitor Brienza said that Valley Manor had submitted plans for their lateral repair. Andy reviewed them and forwarded his comments to Tim Paashaus. Andy said there was a recent meeting to discuss expectations, but he has no update. His comments on the plans submitted were that the slope was too steep and the materials listed do not meet Township specs. Attorney Brienza said he will follow up to see if they have a construction timeline.

ENGINEER'S REPORT:

Farley Fry, PE, presented the Engineer's Report dated October 5, 2020.

Mr. Fry reported that he received preliminary plans for the ultraviolet disinfection system from Paragon Engineering. He should have structural, civil, and electrical plans by the end of the week.

Mr. Fry noted that the as-built plans submitted by Wind Gap Electric were reviewed and approved by Paragon Engineering. They are requesting final payment of \$5,000.00 which needs approval tonight.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT:

Mr. Rasich reported that the plant flow is down. We had 1.9" rain last week and the plant peaked at 2.5 MGD. He also noted that degreaser is still entering the plant.

Mr. Rasich said that the garage is still progressing slowly. There is electrical work that needs to be done and the mezzanine is not installed yet. The contractor had to replace all the joists because they were not thick enough.

Mr. Rasich said that the plant is in compliance.

TREASURER'S INVOICE(S):

Treasurer Mark Sullivan reported that this month there is one invoice for approval. This month the Solicitor's firm has submitted a request for payment of general matters between 9/2/2020 and 9/30/2020 in the amount of \$973.50.

Motion was made and seconded to approve the Solicitor's Invoice from October 1, 2020 as presented for payment in the amount of \$973.50 to the Township Solicitor.

Motion passed unanimously.

MOTION (S):

A motion was made and seconded to approve payment application #10 in the amount of \$5,000 as final payment to Wind Gap Electric for the main electrical distribution equipment replacement as per the recommendation of Hanover Engineering.

Motion was approved unanimously.

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UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

NEW BUSINESS:

The meeting dates were set for 2021 and will be approved at the January meeting.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

The next scheduled meeting of the Authority will be Monday, November 2, 2020 following the adjournment of the USTMA meeting, at the Water and Sewer Building.

ADJOURNMENT:

With there being no further business to discuss, the meeting of the Upper Saucon Sewage Treatment Authority was unanimously adjourned at approximately 6:42 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Ryan Holmes
Secretary