

DALLASTOWN-YOE WATER AUTHORITY
175 E. BROAD STREET
DALLASTOWN, PA 17313
JUNE 13, 2018 – 7:00 PM
MEETING MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER

The June 13th meeting of the Dallastown-Yoe Water Authority was called to order by Authority Vice-Chair, Steve Malesker, followed by the pledge of allegiance.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Steve Malesker
Pat Callahan
Susan Sprague
Michael McGonagle

ALSO PRESENT

Connie Stokes – Borough Manager
Peter Ruth – Stock & Leader – Solicitor
Chad Kehew – Holley & Assoc. – Engineer
Joe Joines – Maintenance Supervisor

ABSENT

Patricia Myers

Mr. Malesker sent out thought & prayers to Patty Myers and her husband Barry.

ACTION ON THE 5/9/18 MEETING MINUTES

Motion: Mr. Callahan moved and was seconded by Mr. McGonagle to approve the 5/9/18 meeting minutes as presented.

Motion carried 4-0.

VISITORS

Todd & Lisa Miller – 610 Misty Hill Lane, Dallastown
Jamie Stoltzfus – I.K. Stoltzfus Service Corp.
Ron Smith – 220 W. Broad Street, Dallastown
Doug Bray – 280 N. Park Street, Dallastown
J.T. Hand – York Water

- Doug Bray owns a business, Alpine Signs, at 280 N. Park Street. He has had problems with high bills in the past and did again this quarter. In March, when he had the last high usage, he had a plumber go over the building at the recommendation of the Water Authority. He did find a few things, but everything was fixed at that time. He is stumped as to why the bill is high this quarter. He said he has been turning the water off over the weekends, plus there is no outside hose bib that someone would be using without him knowing. The Authority is stumped also, after changing out and testing 3 meters, having the meter representative visit the location and logging usage. Mr. Bray stated that the water was turned off for the Memorial Day weekend. Mr. Joines said maintenance will data log the Memorial Day weekend. Ms. Sprague also asked Mr. Bray to let the Authority know when the plumber did the work. The Authority will review the new information for the July meeting. Ms. Stokes told him the bill will be held without penalty until the July meeting.

- Todd & Lisa Miller, of 610 Misty Hill Lane, were concerned with high usage at their home. They have been checking the meter constantly, plus when they filled a 3 ½ gallon bucket the meter registered 4 ½ gallons. Maintenance was sent out to the property and found no leaks, plus the low flow indicator did not move on the meter. The meter was taken out this past Monday and a temporary meter was installed. The meter was then sent to York Water for testing and did not test at the threshold. They have been watching the temporary meter and it has not been showing high usage. Mr. & Mrs. Miller are looking for relief on their June bill. The Authority asked for the ability to research it a little more before rendering a decision. The Millers were asked to return to the July meeting for results. They were also told that the quarterly billing will be held without penalty until a decision is made.
- Jamie Stoltzfus of I.K. Stoltzfus Service Corp. addressed the Authority concerning a maintenance contract for the water tanks. He had met with Ms. Stokes and Mr. Joines to discuss tank maintenance needs, then Mr. Joines took him out to the tank sites for a visual. The company has a drone which gives a visual survey of the tanks. In checking references, Ms. Stokes found that everyone thought very highly of the company and its service. Mr. Stoltzfus will supply a rate sheet for the Authority to take action on at the next meeting.
- J.T. Hand, from York Water, gave an update on the Emergency Interconnect. On May 1, 2017, an agreement was filed with the PUC. Red Lion Municipal Authority then filed a formal complaint and on January 23, 2018 there was a formal hearing. On May 25, 2018, a decision was made and an approval was given. It was stated that the agreement was reasonable and in the public interest. A strong conclusion. Red Lion Municipal Authority has 2 weeks to file any exceptions, otherwise the next step will be to file a permit application to DEP for construction. Mr. Joines asked for a timeline. Utility easements will be needed.

ENGINEER'S REPORT

- Mr. Kehew put together a new tapping fee based on updated information he had gathered together. The new fee would be \$1905.00. There was some discussion prior to approving the new Resolution which Attorney Ruth prepared (#2018-2).
Motion: Ms. Sprague moved and was seconded by Mr. Callahan to approve Resolution #2018-2 making the new tapping fee \$1905.00.
Motion carried 4-0.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT

- There has been issues with the tank maintenance company, Utility Services (Suez). Besides the tank communication issue which effected the Authority's SCADA, there were some other deficiencies with the tank maintenance. A Suez representative did a visual of the Lion's Park tank this past Monday and there were some spots with defective paint. Attorney Ruth asked Mr. Joines to make a punch list of all of the deficiencies on the tanks to send along with the letter he drafted to terminate the contract between the Authority and Suez. He hopes to hold Suez accountable for the work that should have been done on the tanks at no cost to the Authority.
Motion: Mr. Callahan moved and was seconded by Mr. McGonagle to authorize Attorney Ruth to proceed with the letter and punch list to Suez, with the contract to be terminated as soon as work is completed at no charge to the Authority.
Motion carried 4-0.

- The Authority will take action on the rate sheet/contract with I.K Stoltzfus Service Corp at the July meeting.
- Attorney Ruth had a long conversation with the AT&T Attorney concerning the communication problem that was caused when they installed equipment on the Park Street tank. There was no offer yet and there is no guarantee that there will be, but they would not look discerningly on a donation. Dave Hagan from Double Dog gave an update on what's happening on his end: 1) received approval letters from the government authority for the new frequency 2) the equipment is on order, but there is a delay on the radios – should be received in July or August 3) the radio license was approved by FCC 4) installation will be in a few days of receiving all the equipment 5) it will also encompass other areas. Mr. Hagan also offered his services for the future at no charge in conjunction with the new tank maintenance company. Ms. Stokes asked that Mr. Hagan be included.

MANAGER'S REPORT

- Within the next 2 months, the Authority should seriously look at researching and replacing the Park Street tank. That tank really should be done first. Previously, the Authority was looking at an elevated tank and just one tank instead of two for approximately 750,000 gallons. They would also like to look at going rounder instead of taller. The Authority agreed to authorize the research.
- Tank Level Report
- Master Meter Reads

OTHER BUSINESS TO COME BEFORE THE AUTHORITY

- There is a combined project on E. Maple Street from Pleasant Avenue to High Street. The Water Authority will be replacing the main and service lines. The project was put out for bid and Kinsley was the low bid at \$425,000.

Motion: Mr. Callahan moved and was seconded by Ms. Sprague to award the bid for the E. Maple Street water project to Kinsley in the amount of \$425,000.

Motion carried 4-0.

Materials for the project are already ordered and work should be starting in August.

APPROVAL OF BILLS

Motion: Mr. McGonagle moved and was seconded by Mr. Callahan to approve the bills as presented.

Motion carried 4-0.

APPROVAL OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Motion: Mr. McGonagle moved and was seconded by Ms. Sprague to approve the financial statements as presented.

Motion carried 4-0.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion: Mr. McGonagle moved and was seconded by Mr. Callahan to adjourn the meeting.

Motion carried 4-0.

Respectfully Submitted,

Susan Wertz