# DALLASTOWN-YOE WATER AUTHORITY 175 E. BROAD STREET DALLASTOWN, PA 17313 NOVEMBER 12, 2014 – 7:00 PM MEETING MINUTES

#### **CALL TO ORDER**

The November 12<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Dallastown-Yoe Water Authority was called to order by Authority Chairman, Arthur Wertz, followed by the pledge of allegiance.

#### **MEMBERS PRESENT**

## **ALSO PRESENT**

Arthur Wertz
Patricia Myers
Steve Malesker
Tana Bentzel
Pat Callahan

Connie Stokes – Borough Manager
David Jones – Stock & Leader - Solicitor
Dennis Sarpen – Holley & Assoc. - Engineer
Joe Joines - Maintenance

## **ACTION ON THE 10/8/14 MEETING MINUTES**

Mr. Malesker pointed out an error under visitors concerning Mr. Deller's payment history and a change was made to read "The Authority agreed that looking at his previous history, nothing looked out of line".

**Motion:** Mr. Malesker moved and was seconded by Mr. Callahan to approve the 10/8/14 meeting minutes with the correction.

Motion carried 5-0.

#### **VISITORS**

Eric Immel – Red Lion Municipal Authority
Rick Bogart – 17 W. Maple Street, Dallastown
George & Sharon Mundis – 50 Clover Hill Road, Dallastown

• Eric Immel, President of Red Lion Municipal Authority, was present to discuss the cause of the discolored water on Tuesday & Wednesday, November 11<sup>th</sup> & 12<sup>th</sup>. It was a result of testing the high service pumps and motors at the new filter plant which is currently under construction. All three new motors and pumps were tested by pumping at full capacity (equivalent to 2.4 to 2.5 million gallons per day). The Engineers did not think the test would affect the system, but around 1:15 pm on Tuesday, the 11<sup>th</sup>, the Red Lion Borough started receiving dirty water calls from their customers. At that time RLMA started flushing hydrants to try to keep it localized in the areas they thought were affected. At 1:23 pm on Tuesday, Ms. Stokes and Joe Joines were made aware of what was happening. At that point they thought it was contained with little chance of it spreading. However, this did not happen. Gannett Fleming, the engineering firm for the new filter plant, does not foresee this happening again in the future. Within two to three weeks, the high service pumps will actually go into service, but the pumping will not exceed 1.7 million gallons per day.

Mr. Mundis asked what causes the discoloration of the water. Mr. Joines stated that it is minerals from the water that collects in the mains and when there is any type of fluctuation in pressure, it stirs up this sediment causing the discoloration.

Mr. Wertz asked if a letter to all DYWA customers explaining the situation would be helpful. Attorney Jones asked if would be possible to get notice ahead of time before something of this nature happens. Mr. Sarpen asked if it would be possible to keep the Dallastown Borough Office abreast of what's happening (construction timeline). Mr. Immel will take that back to his board. He stated that monthly minutes could be sent to Dallastown.

#### **ENGINEER'S REPORT**

- There was nothing new to report on the tapping fee.
- There has been some good water turn over in the Denton and Lions Park tanks since the new valves have been installed. The valves are doing what they are supposed to be doing, the only problem is the Broad Street valve is not working automatically, only manually. The valve on Fern is working properly. Keystone will need to do a little tweaking on Broad.
  - Mr. Immel asked if the new valves put a strain on Red Lion's system. Per DEP, every system is to have their own relief system. At a previous meeting Mr. Kahwajy, from Red Lion Municipal Authority, stated that there will be an alarm at the new filter plant to alert them if there is a problem. Mr. Joines said that if the new valves malfunction they will fail in the open position.
- Mr. Sarpen is not going to work on the flushing schedule until the valves are working properly.
- There have been no changes to the Denton tank, however there have been changes at the newest Park Street tank.

## **SOLICITOR'S REPORT**

- Attorney Jones would like to work on the Rules & Regulations within the next few months. All of the
  Authority members have a draft that had been done awhile back. Attorney Jones asked that he be
  contacted with any changes.
- A draft of a new Resolution was distributed to all Authority members. The Resolution covers the
  schedule of charges incurred in the collection of a water bill. Attorney Jones asked the Authority
  members to review the resolution in order to discuss at the next meeting.
- Attorney Jones has not received anything back from Verizon concerning the lease for cellular equipment
  on the tanks. Verizon agreed with the language of the Shentel lease but the dollar amount still needs to
  be discussed. Once the draft is back, Attorney Jones will move forward.

### **MANAGER'S REPORT**

- Tank Level Report
- Master Meter Reads
- Maintenance Log
- On November 5<sup>th</sup> there was a 6" shear break on Sunset.
- The newest of the Park Street tanks is currently empty while AT&T is doing some updates and the
  Authority is washing it out and painting as part of the annual contract. The tank should be empty
  approximately one week.
- The 2015 DYWA Budget has been prepared for review. Discussion will be at the December meeting and possible adoption. Some of the projects included in the budget were replacing the line at Trans Air on Locust Street and doubling of the master meters for installation.

# OTHER BUSINESS TO COME TO THE ATTENTION OF THE AUTHORITY

• An appointment with York Water should be scheduled in the near future to discuss the emergency connection. To also be added to next year's budget.

# **APPROVAL OF BILLS**

Motion: Mr. Malesker moved and was seconded by Ms. Bentzel to approve the bills as presented.

Motion carried 5-0.

# **APPROVAL OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

**Motion:** Ms. Myers moved and was seconded by Mr. Malesker to approve the financial statements as presented.

Motion carried 5-0.

# **ADJOURNMENT**

Motion: Mr. Malesker moved and was seconded by Ms. Bentzel to adjourn the meeting.

Motion carried 5-0. 7:49 PM

Respectfully Submitted,

Susan A. Wertz