

FOX TOWNSHIP SEWER AUTHORITY MEETING MINUTES- 5/14/25 -PAGE 1

MEMBERS PRESENT: Russ Braun, Perry Casper, Jim Chorney, Ken Huey and John (Pat) Minard.

OTHER'S PRESENT: Shawn Zimmerman, Plant Operators, Dylan Cowell of HRG Engineering and Juli A. H. Schlimm, Authority Clerk. **VISITORS:** There were no visitors present.

CALLED TO ORDER by Vice-Chairman Russ Braun, followed by the Pledge to the Flag.

MINUTES – of the 4/9/25 meeting minutes were approved as written and previously emailed to members as moved by Ken Huey, seconded by John (Pat) Minard, motion carried.

HRG'S ENGINEERING REPORT as presented by Dylan Cowell of HRG was as follows:

LSA GRANT APPLICATION FOR 2024 – for the Township Pump Station was submitted on 11/26/2024. No grant decisions are expected for a few months. Eligible projects must have a total cost of \$25,000 or more. Grant requests cannot exceed \$1,000,000. A match component is not required.

PONTZER PUMP STATION PROJECT FINAL DESIGN, BIDDING AND CONSTRUCTION ADMINISTRATION

Based on the board's request, HRG provided three (3) options for Project Representative services during construction. The Engineer's Report also included a table summarizing all current Pontzer Pump Station project costs. Total project costs \$649,004.00. FTSA owes \$164,504.00. The Covid-19 ARPA PA Small Water and Sewer Grant was obtained in the amount of \$484,500. The report also included a breakdown on three inspection options. Russ mentioned preferring Option #3. Members discussed waiting for Jerry Zimmerman to be present to act upon this next month.

The 2024 NPDES Renewal was submitted to the state on December 29, 2023. Deadline was 1/2/24. A confirmation for receipt was received. We have not received any questions from DEP to this point in time. It's over a year since it was submitted.

DISCHARGE MONITORING REPORT for March 2025 was presented for review. No sludge was hauled for April 2025. Shawn told members we were contacted by **GKN FAIRVIEW** concerning taking their new Scrubber mop waste. Shawn said he was going to tell them to test it & provide the information to us. He is concerned with the metals.

BILLS TO BE APPROVED FOR PAYMENT WITH CHECK NUMBER 5039 TO CHECK NUMBER 5074 in the amount of Seventy-three thousand one hundred forty-five dollars and forty-five cents (\$73,145.44), with sixty-one dollars (\$61) reimbursable for APRIL 2025 as moved by John (Pat) Minard, seconded by Perry Casper, motion carried to approve the bills for payment.

FOX TOWNSHIP SEWER AUTHORITY MEETING MINUTES – 5/14/25 – PAGE 2

BILLS TO BE APPROVED FOR PAYMENT CONTINUED:

Juli informed members that Neal Systems submitted three (3) invoices for payment totaling five thousand two hundred ninety-one dollars and twenty-seven cents (\$5,291.27). Parts were returned so this amount will be adjusted and will be less than this amount. An adjusted invoice hasn't been received yet.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: FULLER – TAMBURLIN PROJECT @ 1052 South St. Mary's Street, St. Mary's. Nothing further to date.

INTEGRITY ENERGY CONTRACT renewal was acted upon for the dates of: 5/27/2027 through 4/30/2030 @ a rate of \$0.09128 cents. The renewal offer will be provided in 9/2028. The 4/15/25 email and telephone call was acted upon due to additional regulatory charges in the amount of \$7,484.13 that would have been charged to us on our June bills. Constellation Energy agreed to waive those fees but only if the renewal contract was signed.

EASEMENTS TOWNSHIP HISTORIAL BUILDING PROJECT – are yet to be signed. Dylan gave the board details that the line location had been moved and the size of the line changed to an eight inch (8"). He routinely reviewed the Township's plan as submitted by E & M Engineers.

OVERTIME HOURS were presented for the past month.

THE BILLS-IN-ARREARS REPORT AS OF 5/9/25 was shared with members.

Twenty-two (22) delinquent letters were sent to customers on 4/17/25 for the April billing. Three (3) remain unpaid. Four (4) partial payments were made. Five (5) properties were posted for water shut off on 4/16/25. All five (5) paid in full in the amount of one thousand three hundred sixty-three dollars and sixty-five cents (\$1,363.65).

NEW BUSINESS: BANK FEES -

A letter was written to CNB requesting the bank fees be waived on our accounts. This was approved and will save us one hundred eight dollars (\$108) for the next three (3) quarters of the year and going forward.

OTHER BUSINESS:

The PA Municipal Authorities Association (PMAA) sent correspondence dated 4/10/25 regarding a complimentary membership for the remainder of this year.

NEXT MEETING DATE: WEDNESDAY, JUNE 11, 2025 @ 6:00 p.m. ADJOURNMENT – As there was no other business to be discussed the meeting adjourned at 6:28 p.m.