**Huntingdon Borough Water & Sewer Committee Meeting**

**Thursday, September 3, 2020**

The Huntingdon Borough Water & Sewer Committee meeting was held in the Borough Council Room, 530 Washington Street, Huntingdon, PA 16652.

Committee members present were Chairman Sean Steeg, Councilman James Bair and Councilman Terry Green.

Members present were President Johnathan Hyde, Vice-President Sean Steeg, Councilman James Bair, Councilman Terry Green, Borough Engineer Ann Reynolds, Wastewater Supervisor Roger Shaffer, Water Supervisor Steve Williams, Borough Manager Chris Stevens and Borough Secretary Richard King.

Guest present was Dean Harris.

Chairman Sean Steeg called the Water & Sewer Committee meeting to order at 3:30 PM.

Chairman Sean Steeg recognized the guest present and asked for their comments.

Dean Harris asked if we were still going to do the sidewalks when we do the 4th Street CSO project.

Sean Steeg said yes and we had talked about this before.

Dean Harris said that after looking over the bid, he thinks the sidewalks will be costing the borough residents over $300,000.00.

Dean Harris asked if we had plans to do more water line replacements in the borough.

Chris Stevens said we are going to do the 200 block of Penn Street and then continue on Washington Street from 9th Street up.

Chris Stevens said that we will be doing 2 to 3 blocks a year.

Dean Harris said this is a good idea to do this.

Chairman Sean Steeg proceeded to the Water Treatment Supervisors report.

Steve Williams asked if there were any questions on his report?

Steve Williams said we are having chlorine issues in Taylor Highlands and Travis is going to check valves in the area.

Steve Williams said besides this everything is working good.

Chris Stevens asked if there were any odor complaints from higher chlorine feed rates.

Steve Williams said no.

Chairman Sean Steeg proceeded to the Wastewater Treatment Supervisors report.

Roger Shaffer asked if there were any questions on his report?

Roger Shaffer talked about the Oneida Street overflow and said that DEP has given us a warning.

Chris Stevens said it looks like we will not be fined since we jumped right on this to find the problem.

Chris Stevens said that Roger Shaffer worked with DEP and he worked with the Fish Commission.

Roger Shaffer said that everyone came together and worked together to find the problem.

James Bair asked about where we stand with the Nitrogen Credits?

Roger Shaffer said they are climbing and we will know how many credits we will have to sell at the end of the month.

Chris Stevens said this is due to Steve Williams and Roger Shaffer working together.

Ann Reynolds said her office has had inquires looking for Nitrogen Credits already.

Chris Stevens reported on the VFD that went bad, and the cost to replace this was $21,150.00 and declared this an emergency and said the VFD was needed and was ordered. Chris said that Roger Shaffer had received 3 quotes on this. Chris said he had talked to Solicitor Richard Wilson and Solicitor Wilson said we can do this as an emergency situation.

James Bair said that he seen in the report that we are doing a good job on the cleaning of sewer lines.

Chairman Sean Steeg proceeded to the Engineers report.

Ann Reynolds reported on the GHD proposal on the algae control jar testing the raw water using potassium permanganate, hydrogen peroxide and copper sulfate to gauge effectiveness and dosage.

The proposal amount was $9,500.00.

Sean Steeg asked Steve Williams if this needed.

Steve Williams said he would let it ride until next year. He said things are good right now.

Chris Stevens said this is below the threshold.

Sean Steeg asked Ann Reynolds if this is needed, how long would it take to get Pete Lusardi in.

Ann Reynolds said he would be here within 10 days.

Sean Steeg asked if this proposal would be good until next year.

Ann Reynolds said yes.

Ann Reynolds said that D & M Contracting has submitted payment no. 2 request for $94,834.36. Ann said we will be holding $6,700.00 until the paving is done.

**The Water & Sewer Committee recommends a motion to pay D & M Contracting $94,834.36 for payment no. 2 on the 400 block of Penn Street water line replacement.**

Ann Reynolds went over Kevin Nester’s report on the Water Treatment Plant hitting the highlights of the report.

Ann Reynolds said the water loss is down 6%.

Ann Reynolds said the water usage increased by 22 million gallons.

Ann Reynolds went over the water increases, water leaks and addressed new water line replacements.

Chris Stevens said that he received a call from the Plaza and Weikert’s will be doing the work of installing shut offs to help correct water loss issues.

Chris Stevens said he has not heard from Huntingdon Composite on placing a water meter on their fire protection that runs near the railroad tracks.

Sean Steeg asked how reliable are the meters in the system.

Terry Green said unless they are broke or have dirt in them, they are good.

Sean Steeg asked if we are recording the water breaks, telling when and for how long and an estimate of water loss.

Chris Stevens said yes.

Chairman Sean Steeg proceeded to the Borough Managers report.

Chris Stevens said that Walker Township had purchased the old New Enterprise building on Fairgrounds. Chris said they are looking at changing the meter from a 2 inch to a 5/8 inch and we will be receiving a letter.

Terry Green said that since we purchased the first meter for New Enterprise, that Walker Township will need to purchase this meter and stay connected to our system.

Chris Stevens said if we allow this then we can have the 2 inch meter calibrated.

**The Water & Sewer Committee was in agreement to allow them to go from a 2 inch meter to a 5/8 inch meter and to stay connected to our system.**

Chris Stevens said he had received a quote from Morrison Communications, Inc. for CCTV Security System installation for the Huntingdon Borough Water Plant at a cost of $11,176.35.

Chris Stevens said this is under the threshold of $11,300.00.

**The Water & Sewer Committee recommends a motion to accept the quote from Morrison Communications, Inc. for CCTV Security System installation for the Huntingdon Borough Water Plant at a cost of $11,176.35.**

Chris Stevens said he had received a quote from Morrison

Communications, Inc. for CCTV Security System installation for the Huntingdon Borough Sewer Plant at a cost of $12,307.35.

Chris Stevens said this is over the threshold of $11,300.00 and we will need two additional quotes for this.

Chairman Sean Steeg proceeded to Old Business.

There was nothing reported under Old Business.

Chairman Sean Steeg proceeded to New Business.

Sean Steeg said that since we did not receive a grant for the 200 block of Penn Street, that we should work on the Highway Occupancy Permit and do this in the spring.

**The Committee was in agreement to start on the Highway Occupancy Permit for the 200 block of Penn Street and to start this in the spring.**

It was mentioned that we should have the Flagger Force come in and do flagging, when the 200 block is done.

Chris Stevens said that PennDOT is still looking at doing their paving next year.

Chairman Sean Steeg proceeded to Executive Session.

There was nothing needed to go into Executive Session.

Chairman Sean Steeg proceeded to any other business.

There was nothing to report on any other business.

The Water & Sewer Committee meeting was adjourned at 4:10 PM.

Minutes submitted by,  
  
  
  
Richard S. King  
Borough Secretary