

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

Guest present were Gary Cramer, Jennifer Clark and Dean Harris.

Members present were President James Bair, Vice-President David Fortson, Councilwoman Dee Dee Brown, Councilwoman Jennifer Powell, Councilman Terry Green, Councilman Robert Jackson, Councilman David Quarry, Mayor Thomas Yoder, Water Treatment Plant Supervisor Kevin Johnston, Wastewater Treatment Plant Supervisor Roger Shaffer, Engineer Kevin Nester, Borough Manager Chris Stevens and Borough Secretary Richard King.

Chairman David Quarry called the Water & Sewer Committee meeting to order at 2:30 PM.

Chairman David Quarry reported there was an error on the agenda that we will be opening bids for the Water Bulk Station was left out of the agenda and we will proceed on the bid.

There was one bid received from EleMech, Inc. for the Bulk Water Station in the amount of \$38,700.00.

Borough Manager Chris Stevens said we have talked about this for several years and estimated the cost to be around \$70,000.00.

Borough Manager Chris Stevens said that anybody that wants water can use this. Chris said they can use a credit card or punch in their account number and will be billed.

- **The Water & Sewer Committee recommends that the Borough Engineer and Borough Solicitor review the bid from EleMech, Inc. and if all is good then recommends a motion to approve the bid of EleMech, Inc. for the Bulk Water Station in the amount of \$38,700.00.**

Chairman David Quarry recognized the guest present and ask for their comments.

There were no comments made.

Chairman David Quarry called on the Water Treatment Plant Supervisor's report.

Kevin Johnston ask if there were any questions on his report?

Borough Manager Chris Stevens said that the Water Treatment Plant garage is full of Carbon and Kevin saved the borough about \$2,000.00.

Kevin Johnston said he contacted DEP about changing DeIPAC because of not being able to get. Kevin said this is a permit upgrade and would cost us money to do this. Kevin said he finally did receive the DeIPAC he had ordered so we are good now.

Kevin Johnston said they had a problem with the water intake freezing and they pulled a long weekend working. Kevin said they had to bring the backhoe down to lift the gate.

Borough Manager Chris Stevens said the lift and hoist at the intake is decertified. Chris said that Altoona Hoist and Crane will be coming into look at this and give us a cost for repairs.

Kevin Johnston said the Jeff Buckley will be finishing up classes this week and will be testing soon.

Kevin Johnston went over the water loss report for 2021 saying the year end loss was at 16%.

Kevin Johnston said he has talked to the fire departments about calling him and letting him know how much water they used for training or for fires.

Chairman David Quarry called on the Wastewater Treatment Plant Supervisor's report.

Roger Shaffer ask if there were any questions on his report.

Robert Jackson ask Roger if the problem they had in Smithfield was because of a grease issue.

Roger Shaffer said yes and it has been about 2-3 years since they had a problem with grease.

Roger Shaffer said he has ordered the 6 inch pump and will take about 4 weeks to receive it.

Borough Manager Chris Stevens said this was on the 5-year plan and this was one item. Chris said that the Tricking Filters were done, the 4th Street CSO was completed and there are two items left on the 5-year plan. Chris said they are the Final Clarifiers and a new Jet Vac Truck.

Roger Shaffer had a quotes from MJR Equipment, a member of Costars, for either a Camel 90 at a cost of \$426,935.50 or a Camel 1200 at a cost of \$468,997.20. Roger's recommendation was to get the Camel 1200.

Borough Manger Chris Stevens said that Roger needs to decide if he wants to get the Final Clarifiers done or to get the new Jet Vac Truck.

Roger Shaffer said the pumps he had ordered last year, that one finally came in. Roger said he would need to get Tuscarora Rigging to come in and set it.

Roger Shaffer reported the water pump VFD had fried and he is working on quotes. Roger said a rebuild kit last year was around \$4,500.00 but he would recommend a new one that is programmed by the company and doesn't know what the cost will be.

Councilwoman Dee Dee Brown said she is proud of Roger's crew.

Roger Shaffer said the reports for last year are all done, and they are working on the Chapter 94. Roger said the WETT Test is done but they have not received any results.

President James Bair ask how much of a flow are they receiving.

Roger Shaffer said 2-3 mgd.

Councilman Terry Green ask if they were out to look at the manholes on 25th Street.

Roger Shaffer said they looked before the last rain and after the last rain and the levels were about the same.

Chairman David Quarry called on the Engineer's report.

Kevin Nester said in his report on the Chapter 94, there is a sheet with hydraulic loadings on it and went over this. Kevin said they are waiting on information from other municipalities to complete this. Kevin said if he does not get these, he will send in the report and DEP can get on them.

Kevin Nester said we will be focusing on the CSO uptown. Kevin said that 7th Street CSO will be a bear to deal with.

Chairman David Quarry called on the Borough Manager's report.

Chris Stevens said we have already covered items he had and said the Kevin and Roger are doing an excellent job.

Chairman David Quarry called on Old Business.

The 6 inch pump was already covered before Old Business.

Chairman David Quarry called on New Business.

There was nothing reported under New Business.

Executive Session was not called for.

Chairman David Quarry called on Any Other Business.

Dean Harris ask why would we spend money on fixing the hoist at the water intake if we are not going to use and take care of it.

Dean Harris said that we should not be using the Jet Vac for water line use.

After no further business, the Water & Sewer Committee meeting was adjourned at 3:04 PM.

Minutes submitted by,

Richard S. King
Borough Secretary