

**Municipal Authority
Meeting Minutes
March 12, 2018**

The Orwigsburg Municipal Authority met on Monday, March 12, 2018 at Borough Hall. Chairman Rod Schaeffer called the meeting to order at 1:00 m and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

In Attendance: Chairman Rod Schaeffer; Vice Chairman John Boyer. Members Matt Baran, Rick Bubeck.

Visitors: Utility/Streets Manager Date Teter; Utility/Streets Shawn Reichart and Bryon Killian of Entech Engineering.

Minutes:

A motion to approve the minutes from the December 17, 2017 and February 21, 2018 meetings as presented was made by John Boyer, second by Matt Baran. Unanimous.

Public Comment: None

Engineers Report

Bryon Killian, Entech Engineering

- The PA Small Water and Sewer grant has been submitted on time
- Received update as of today DCED confirmed they received 680 new applications for this round of grant funding
- Grant approval will be given on July 27th
- Received letters of support from Senator Argall and Representative Knowels
- Submitted a solid application with extensive investigation and pictures
- Currently working on the Chapter 94 Report – will have by next meeting, doesn't foresee any issues
- Bob updated the Authority on the S Wayne St major water leak that was leaking into the creek

Authority received copies of the Entech Work Order for the North Warren Street to Long Avenue Sewer Replacement Project

- Phase 1 – Design - \$23,700 (est) – will take three months to design and DEP has 90 days to review
- Phase 2 – Permits and Funding Applications - \$6,900 (est)
- Phase 3 – Bidding - \$4,600 (est)

- Sanitary Sewer Overflow (SSO) – DEP ramification
 - Two residents are affected that we know of
 - Project intent is to minimize, no guarantee of elimination and to open up hydraulic bottleneck within the system
- Project is a great backbone for future extensions
- If grant not awarded project will move forward but we will need to identify a funding source
- Financial institution loan 10 - 15 year term – monthly rent from the Borough \$4200.
- Build a Capital Improvement Fund just for sewer improvements by initiating a rate increase - \$7 per quarter per user to cover loan payment. Funds will be used for future improvement projects and can also be used for future grant matches.
- Write up a project profile to educate the public – town hall meeting

Rick noted he had a conversation with Randy Lindenmuth about the Entech Work Order and Randy is not in favor of approving the work order until financing for the project is secured.

A motion to recommend to Borough Council \$7.00 sewer rate increase per user per quarter for Capital Improvement Fund was made by Matt Baran, second by Rick Bubeck. John Boyer no. Motion carried.

A motion to agree to pay for Phase 1 Design as used \$23,700 from Authority Funds, if awarded grant the Capital Improvement Fund will reimburse Authority Fund for monies already spent was made by John Boyer, second by Matt Baran. Unanimous.

Matt will attend the April Work Session to present rate increase proposal on the Capital Improvement Fund

Bill List

A motion to approve payment to Entech Engineering for invoice #58306 in the amount of \$1,042.50 was made by John Boyer, second by Rick Bubeck. Unanimous.

A motion to approve payment to Reading Eagle for invoice #100614004-02082018 in the amount of \$188.50 was made by Rick Bubeck, second by John Boyer. Unanimous.

A motion to approve payment to Orwigsburg Borough for Robert Williams and Sherry Edwards 2018 payroll in the amount of \$12,867.00 was made by John Boyer, second by Rick Bubeck. Unanimous.

Old Business - None

New Business

Rick Bubeck spoke with Bryon before the meeting about a rain event that happened sometime in December he noticed the manhole at Marshall Dr and Ridge road bubbling up and the first house on the corner it was coming out the overflow in the yard. Bryon noted the temporary fix (air bladder) blew out on manhole #52 located on Long Ave. Bryon recommends a contractor permanently fix #52 manhole. Bryon will obtain an appraisal for next meeting. Bryon and Dave will look at putting in another bladder until permanent fix can be made.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 2:10 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Sherry M. Edwards
Borough Secretary