

ELIZABETHTOWN REGIONAL SEWER AUTHORITY
MINUTES
JULY 9, 2013

The Board of the Elizabethtown Regional Sewer Authority (ERSA) met at 7:00 PM at the West Donegal Township building with the following Board members in attendance: Keith Murphy, Dave Sweigart, Dan Brill, Al Sollenberger, and Rick Erb. Ken Shaffer was absent. Also present were Nick Viscome, George Alspach, and Byrne Remphrey.

The minutes of the June 11, 2013 meeting were approved on a motion by Sweigart and a second by Sollenberger.

Unfinished Business

- A. Todd Smeigh, D.C. Gohn & Assoc., was present to tell the Board that the final subdivision/land development plan has been submitted to the township and county. The E & S plan has been submitted to the conservation district.

Todd also alerted the Board to a potential zoning problem. The driveway at 143 Harrisburg Avenue is not wide enough at the minimum building line to meet the township's zoning ordinance. This means that we may have to appear before the zoning hearing board to request a variance. This will also push back settlement on this lot. George was authorized to request a 90 day extension from the owners.

On another matter, we received an email from Steve Gault which stated that ERSA would be subject to the traffic impact fees which would amount to over \$17,000. Todd will submit a waiver request of these fees.

Nick told the Board that now that the building designer has the final land development plan, we will be receiving the final set of biddable plans and specs for building construction.

- B. Nick told the Board that the Highway Occupancy Permit for 143 Harrisburg Avenue has not yet been received. Byrne is confident that we will receive this permit in the near future.
- C. Nick told the Board that the replacement pump for the Bossler #2 station was ordered 2 weeks ago and that Keener Motors promised to pressure the California company who is building the top part of the pump to get an early delivery. This prompted the Board to discuss the larger upgrade project of the Bossler #2 station. It was agreed that once Bishop Woods give the "go ahead" for this project, use of the upgraded station could be a year away. Some member of the Board felt that the upgrade project should begin

sooner rather than later. Byrne and Nick will be meeting with one of the owners, Greg Kile, this week and will discuss the need for the upgrades with him. Everyone agreed that we should get the project funds up front before this project begins.

- D. Byrne summarized the results of our I/I investigation. Several lines in the Mount Gretna/Hershey Road area appear to have lots of clean water indicating serious infiltration problems. Also, manholes in the Newville basin are in need of rehabilitation.

NEW BUSINESS

- A. Nick presented a quarterly residential rate chart showing numerous combinations of rate changes in an effort to close the gap between West Donegal Township's rate and Mount Joy Township's rate. Last year we closed the gap from \$32.00 to \$23.00. After discussion, the Board felt that West Donegal Township's rate should remain at \$140/quarter and that Mount Joy Township's rate should increase from \$117/quarter to \$130/quarter. Nick will change the chart to show the projected revenue resulting from this proposed change.
- B. Nick told the Board that Michelle Powell, who is working on the ERSA website, did not get as much done on the website during her foot surgery recovery. She will continue to work on our site now that she has recovered.
- C. The issue of picture identification cards arose. Keith said that EAWA Board members all have picture IDs and that the ERSA Board and staff should have them as well. Nick will call Michelle Powell to find out who produced EAWA's cards.

ENGINEER'S REPORT

Byrne added commentary on a few items contained in his written monthly report.

TREASURER'S REPORT

In Ken's absence, Nick lead the Board through the Budget Performance Report. ERSA is at the halfway point for the year while expenses are 9% under budget and revenues are running 13% over budget--much like it has been for the first half of the year. The Treasurer's Report was approved on a motion by Brill and a second by Sollenberger. Motion carried.

Nick presented the monthly bills in the amount of \$67,509.15. The bills were approved on a motion by Sweigart and a second by Erb.

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The meeting adjourned at 8:10 PM.