

BUSINESS:

Repository Sale – Georgiann made a motion to approve the sale of 99 Main Street in Upper Lehigh. Mike seconds the motion. Roll Call was Yes by all.

Engineers Report – Tim stated that the wastewater operators report was completed. The twp received the Pennvest money in the amount of \$567K. Attny Karpowich said that there is still \$250K remaining to be paid to the twp, but there are still some issues that need to be resolved. He hopes that will be released in the next 60 days, and he is working closely with Pennvest for a rate study to see if our user rates are too high and if there is any way to decrease them to make them affordable.

Sewer Report – Attny Karpowich stated that the twp received an invoice from FMA for Gera Construction for 37% of a building that was constructed. As per twp bidding requirements, this project would have needed to be bid out of they were looking for the twp to contribute. Mike stated that he was under the impression that the Authority was building the building itself without the twp involved. The chairman of the Authority was present and stated that because of the levels of Citterios the magnesium hydroxide is required. He stated that the authority did not bid out the project. The chairman stated that the twp is going to be responsible for their portion of the chemicals. Attny Karpowich questioned whether or not it is a maintenance issue? The chairman said that it helps the maintenance of the pumping station. Attny Karpowich explained that there is a portion of the twp's edu cost that is for operation. If it is truly maintenance, then yes, the twp is responsible for a portion of it. Attny Karpowich asked Tim Holden his opinion and he explained that it would be considered operating costs, maintenance would more so be considered fixing a broken pump. Attny Karpowich asked whose property the building is on. Mike confirmed that it is the twp property, he stated that he had asked the other two supervisor's and they were ok with it, but he was unaware of a payment request to the twp. The chairman of the Authority stated that what he was really there to talk about was the pretreatment ordinance, because of the issues with Citterios. Tim Holden stated that he reviewed the ordinance and he said there were no technical issue. Attny Karpowich stated that it is not a legal issue either it is strictly political and it is up to the board. Both the chairman and Attny Fagan explained what levels Citterios is in violation of. Jerry asked if it is something the twp can enforce if the authority would give the twp the violations. Jerry stated that the twp could write a letter and fine them if necessary. Jerry asked if they are fining them currently? They stated that they are surge charging them for BOD and TSS. They explained that the pass-through waste is what they need to get control of, because the EPA can give out violations. This is something that Citterios needs to correct the authority cannot correct it. Citterios has been told that they need a corrective action plan for several years and nothing has yet to be done. The board agreed that they want to try notifying Citterios of any violations and fine them if necessary for the next few months.

Solicitors Report - Attny Karpowich explained that Butler Twp's recycling contract just expired, so he is suggesting that the three twp's (Foster, Butler and Black Creek) advertise together for a new recycling contract. The other two twps have already voted to do this. Attny Karpowich stated that the same engineer designed all three facilities, therefore they all operate the same, that's why this is possible. Jerry made the motion to advertise as a whole. Mike seconds the motion. Roll Call was Yes by all. Attny Karpowich also spoke about a holding tank ordinance, Jerry had asked him about possibly looking into one. He gave a copy of Bulter Twps for his review. Attny Karpowich asked for a copy of the hook up permit for Four Fellas. They are claiming they never received a bill for sewer.

Zoning Report – Georgiann gave the report: twp checks were completed and violations were found. 3 zoning permits and 2 building permits were issued all for accessory structures. There are two new hearings scheduled for this month and two that were continued. Pending violations had to be redone because of a price change on the citations.

Mike stated that he asked to get quotes for tree trimming along some of the roads in the twp. He was given a quote of \$1800 but it states it is only for Meir Rd. He is going to table it until he can see why it is only for one road. He also asked to get quotes for a tamper, he received them for a 2 stroke, but believes the road crew will need a 4 stroke, so he will table that until he can get a quote for it. He also wanted to announce as Fire Chief that the fire company received a federal grant for \$55,143 for new rescue equipment.

Jerry stated that he received a letter of intent from Mr. Pat King to volunteer his help as zoning officer. Jerry said that he discussed it with himself and Mike after the meeting last month. Jerry made the motion to hire Mr. King as a part time volunteer (only paid for extra expenses ie: mileage and classes) zoning officer. Mike seconds the motion. Roll Call was Yes by all.

CORRESPONDENCES:

MMI Road Closure Request: Georgiann read a letter submitted by MMI requesting that a portion of St. Anns Rd be closed for two hours during their cross country meet on September 5th. Mike stated that he will assist with the fire police to ensure that it is done properly. Jerry made the motion to accept their request. Mike seconds the motion. Roll Call was Yes by all.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

John Petrick stated that he felt the board made the right decision to table the pretreatment ordinance. He also asked if the authority applied for a permit for the building that they constructed on Foster Twp property. Mike said no. John asked why and if we can go back and make them apply? Mike said no, because they are the authority. John asked if Mike abstains from all votes in regards to the twp/authority business, and he wanted to know if it is legal for him to be sitting on both boards. Attny Karpowich stated that it is legal for him to sit on two boards. The authority even has someone from council sitting on the board as well.

Valarie Capozzelli asked on behalf of people that she works with if the tax collector could have a few Saturday hours? The tax collector is an elected position therefore the supervisors do not have a say in her hours but they can ask her if that would be something that she would consider.

Merri Demico wants to thank Mike for looking at the road issues in AgMar and for getting back to her about the street sweeper. She would also like to thank Mary Beth and Attny Karpowich for getting her answers on her issue with sewer backing up and being checked regularly. She would like to know if the twp is planning on redoing their noise ordinance and the fire work ordinance? Attny Karpowich stated that the twp can look into changing them for next year. The state still regulates fireworks so if they are being set off within 150 of an occupied structure then she can call the state police. She said she is still waiting to hear back from Tino in regards to how many people are allowed in one bedroom. Attny Karpoiwhch stated that it is determined on the size of the bedroom and that is not something Tino has to get back to her on, that would be Keith, or she can ask the new zoning officer.

Donna Fairchild would like to thank whomever got the state to come out and cut the trees back on 940, they did an excellent job.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to Adjourn

Motion to Continue

Motion By: Ms. Eckrote-Jones

Mr. Spock

Mr. Brogan

Roll Call: Ms. Eckrote-Jones

Yes

No

Abstain

Second By: Ms. Eckrote-Jones

Mr. Spock

Mr. Brogan

Mr. Spock Mr. Brogan

Yes

No

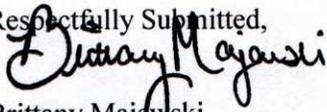
Abstain

Yes

No

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Respectfully Submitted,



Brittany Majewski
Municipal Secretary