

**A REGULAR MEETING
BERKS-MONTGOMERY MUNICIPAL AUTHORITY
MAY 28, 2019**

A Regular Meeting was held at the Administration Building on May 28, 2019 at 7:00 PM, EDT, with the following members present:

S. Carpenter	K. Corson
D. Biehl	A. Stauffer
P. Donovan	

Also present:	J. Karver	G. Moser
	K. Showalter	L. Christy
	G. Unger	C. Leister

Upon a motion by Mr. Biehl, seconded by Mr. Stauffer and unanimously adopted, it was resolved to approve the minutes of the meeting held April 22, 2019.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Wayne Rosen from Danny Jake Corp. and Steve Keech from Fidelity Contracting LLC attended the meeting and Mr. Rosen addressed the Board. Previously the Board approved Schlouch Inc. as the contractor to upgrade the Zern Tract interceptor sewer line. Schlouch is not able to meet the construction deadlines so Mr. Rosen requested the Board approve Fidelity Contracting as the new contractor. Mr. Karver stated he has no concerns with Fidelity based on the research he has done. A resolution is required.

Mr. Karver reported the Zern Tract Interceptor Sewer Line Agreement is ready to be signed. A separate Financial Security Agreement requires a security deposit of \$312,550.70 to be held in escrow at Meridian Bank. A resolution is required.

Mr. Karver reported the Zern Tract Sewer Service Agreement is ready to be signed. For Phase One of the project, 73 EDU's will be purchased at \$7,500 each and 74 connection permits at \$75 each for a total of \$553,050. A separate Financial Security Agreement requires a security deposit of \$287,102.75 to be held in escrow at Meridian Bank. A resolution is required.

PLANT REPORT:

Mr. Christy presented the Plant Report.

The April Discharge Monitoring Report will have a violation for total Aluminum monthly average and daily maximum. Discussions with Evoqua and additional testing have not determined the root cause.

Mr. Rehab removed 9 protruding laterals in the Morysville collection system.

The next WET test is scheduled for the week of June 3, 2019.

BMMA was awarded the Safety Award for Collection Systems from Pennsylvania Water Environmental Association.

The Board directed Mr. Christy to allocate more man hours to Morysville I/I to find the source(s) of excess flows.

OFFICE REPORT:

Ms. Leister presented the Office Report.

AUTHORITY MANAGER REPORT:

Mr. Moser presented the Authority Manager Report.

Mr. Moser reported Blue Lake Builders and Colebrookdale Township contacted him regarding a sewer connection for new construction at 256 Township Line Road (Lot 3 of the Mest subdivision). Conversation regarding the type of connection is pending. A resolution for the approval of one EDU is required.

Mr. Moser reported the Dystor gas collection cover is beginning to have leaks between the retention covers. Replacement of the cover is included in our capital budget for 2023 but based upon the current situation we are planning to move it up to 2020. Also, the digester will need to be cleaned when the cover is replaced. A cost budget is being developed for the project.

Mr. Moser reported the Trustee issued the call notices for the 2014 bonds and funds were transferred to M & T on May 23, 2019.

Mr. Moser reported on the findings to date from the flow studies for the Morysville Collection System. There is an indication there may be a significant contribution in the main collection line from Mill Street to the plant. Flows at the plant indicate there is a higher flow coming to the plant than is being experienced at Mill Street. A flow meter was installed May 20 at the plant to measure the difference in flow from Mill Street to the plant to determine if this area is a source of significant infiltration. The staff is conducting visual studies during storms and continue to pressure test the lines that are accessible.

Mr. Moser provided an update on responses received to the annual usage review for commercial properties since the last meeting.

Account Z281 – WAWA, 1111 Grosser Rd. needs 2 EDU’s – payment received

REPORTS OF OFFICERS & COMMITTEES:

SECRETARY:

In Mr. Toepel’s absence, Mr. Donovan reviewed the list of correspondence.

SOLICITOR:

Mr. Karver had no report.

TREASURER:

No report.

ENGINEER:

Mr. Showalter presented the Engineers report.

Mr. Showalter reported a small sunken area near the lateral connection at 1210 Grosser Road was reported. Wexcon completed repairs on May 15, 2019.

Mr. Showalter reported the sag at The Preserve at Montgomery (formerly Douglass Estates) has been corrected, sewer lines were cleaned, follow-up television inspection of lines and final paving was completed. Douglass Township must approve and take dedication of the roads before the sewer lines can be dedicated to BMMA.

Mr. Showalter reported bids for the 2019 Sanitary Sewer Repair Project were opened at 1:00 PM on May 23, 2019, by Mr. Moser and Mr. Showalter. The apparent low bidder was Wexcon Inc. for a total price of \$138,517.00. Mr. Showalter recommended the Board give the “Notice of Intent to Award”, “Notice of Award” and the “Notice to Proceed” to Wexcon Inc. upon further review, receipt and/or approval of any other documentation. A resolution is required.

Mr. Showalter reported SDE is preparing the sludge hauling and disposal bid documents and will review with the Authority Staff. Mr. Showalter requested authorization to proceed with advertising for the bids. A resolution is required.

RESOLUTIONS & DISCUSSIONS:

Upon a motion by Mr. Stauffer, seconded by Mr. Corson, and unanimously adopted, it was:

RESOLVED: That the Board approves Fidelity Contracting LLC to replace Schlouch Inc. as the contractor to upgrade the Zern Tract interceptor sewer line.

Upon a motion by Mr. Donovan, seconded by Mr. Stauffer, and unanimously adopted, it was:

RESOLVED: That the Board authorizes signing the Zern Tract Interceptor Line Agreement and Financial Security Agreement.

Upon a motion by Mr. Biehl, seconded by Mr. Donovan, and unanimously adopted, it was:

RESOLVED: That the Board authorizes the purchase of 73 EDU's and signing the Zern Tract Sewer Service Agreement and Financial Security Agreement.

Upon a motion by Mr. Donovan, seconded by Mr. Stauffer, and unanimously adopted, it was:

RESOLVED: That the Board approves 1 EDU for 256 Township Line Rd (Lot 3 of the Mest subdivision).

Upon a motion by Mr. Stauffer, seconded by Mr. Corson, and unanimously adopted, it was:

RESOLVED: That the Board accepts the bid of \$138,517.00 from Wexcon Inc. for the 2019 Sanitary Sewer Repair Project and authorizes the "Notice of Intent to Award", "Notice of Award" and the "Notice to Proceed" to Wexcon Inc. upon further review, receipt and/or approval of any other documentation.

Upon a motion by Mr. Corson, seconded by Mr. Donovan, and unanimously adopted, it was:

RESOLVED: That the Board authorizes SDE to proceed with advertising for sludge hauling and disposal bids.

Upon a motion by Mr. Donovan, seconded by Mr. Corson, and unanimously adopted, it was:

RESOLVED: That the Board authorizes the payment of the bills as listed in these minutes.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:13 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Christine L. Leister