

Minutes of the Public Meeting held on July 16, 2008

Members Attending: John T. Jim, Vice Chairman
Sheila Bass, Treasurer
Gretel Bleich, Asst. Secretary-Treasurer

Others Attending: Thomas A. Zeuner, Executive Director
Edward Rudolph, Solicitor
Christopher Walker, P.E., Pennoni Assoc., Consulting Engineer
Carol A. Boston, Stenographer

Mr. Jim, Vice Chairman, called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

1. Pledge of Allegiance

Mr. Jim led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. Jim discussed the errors in misrepresentation of the Rothermel and Cunningham document released at the Board of Supervisors' meeting about Mr. Jim. Messrs. Rothermel and Cunningham apologized for the errors relating to Mr. Jim. Mrs. Bass stated that she has sat at each meeting with respect and interest for the concerns of the whole community. The community has been informed and people have been given opportunities to be heard. Every bit of information that has been requested has been disseminated. Everything that is said at these meetings is discussed and considered by this board. We are trying to make good decisions for the long term of Northampton Township not for the short term of 12 or 15 years and that's why we rely on the experts...the engineers to advise us. I have also watched the TV and sometimes sat in at the various supervisors' meetings. What distresses me is that the TV is being used as a constant campaign by some of you. What also is concerning is that our meetings and the supervisors' are not civil anymore and have become a circus with bullying and mob rule. Is this how civil people act? It might be someone else's idea of governance but it is not mine.

2. Approval of Minutes from June 18, 2008

A motion (Bass-Bleich) adopting a resolution to approve the Minutes from June 18, 2008 passed with 3 ayes.

3. Citizens Concerns

Mr. Lou Hirsh addressed the Board concerning appointed officials. Mr. Edward Short stated that he wrote a letter to the Township Board of Supervisors with a courtesy copy to the Municipal Authority concerning a request that College Park sanitary sewers for the balance of the subdivision be completed.

4. Check Requisitions

A motion (Bass-Bleich) adopting a resolution to approve Revenue Fund Requisitions No. 1883 dated July 16, 2008 in the amount of \$312,077.72; Bond Redemption & Improvement Fund Requisition No. 445 dated July 16, 2008 in the amount of \$104,209.46; and Construction Fund Requisition No. 1030 dated July 16, 2008 in the amount of \$575,315.75 passed with 3 ayes.

The major items paid under Revenue Fund Requisition No. 1883 were as follows: Aetna - \$1,479.10; Analytical Lab Services - \$6,100.00; Aqua PA Inc. - \$2,640.00; BCWSA (Connection fees) - \$12,150.00; Besco Corp. - \$3,769.00; Brinker's Fuels - \$3,848.75; Barbara Bucknum/Tax Collector - \$1,712.75; Hartford - \$3,999.25; Independence Blue Cross - \$30,150.87; PA Rural Water Assoc. - \$1,167.40; PECO - \$10,406.10; Pennoni Associates - \$10,406.10; Printing Works - \$4,884.66; Rudolph Pizzo & Clarke LLC - \$29,098.87; J. H. Shanahan Inc. - \$17,228.50; State Workers Insurance Fund - \$3,642.00; Video Gold Productions - \$1,092.75; Zupito Lawn Care Inc. - \$2,553.00; Besco Corp. - \$1,531.00; Northampton Township - \$1,078.82; Pelino & Lentz PC - \$1,786.13; Rossi Cleaning Co. - \$1,125.00; J. H. Shanahan Inc. - \$1,055.00; Safety First Tree Experts - \$2,300.00; and a \$60,000.00 payroll transfer.

Under Requisition No. 443 the following items were paid: Gilmore & Assoc. - \$69,639.75 and \$27,014.62; and Associated Paying Contractor under Contract No. 10-S-07 - \$7,556.09.

Under Requisition No. 1030 the following items were paid: BCWSA/AM Liner - \$59,416.122; Pennoni Associates - \$99,999.63; Private Utility Enterprises (Contract No. 1-W-07) - \$12,848.25; In-Line Services under Contract No. 1-W-07 - \$403,051.75.

5. Maintenance Report for June 2008

Mr. Zeuner reported that water production was 87,341,247 gallons for the month of June as compared with 84,268,774 at the same time last year. Sixty one customers were posted and seven turned off for non-payment. 12,713 feet of sewer mains were televised (42,290 feet to date) and 8,344 feet of sewer mains were cleaned (54,037 feet to date). Two fire hydrants were repaired after being hit by automobiles. Right now we have two wells down waiting for parts.

6. Award Contract No. 5-S-A-08 – Sewer Smoke Testing

A motion (Bleich-Bass) awarding Contract No. 5-S-A-08 for the sewer smoke testing to the low bidder, Flow Assessment Services, LLC, in accordance with their bid opened on June 9, 2008 in the amount of \$16,896.00 passed with 3 ayes.

7. Change Order No. 2 under Contract Agreement for Professional Services with Gilmore & Associates, Inc. for the Western End Sewer Project, Phase I, Harvest Acres

A motion (Bass-Bleich) approving Change Order No. 2 under the Contract Agreement for Professional Services for the Western End Sewer Extension Project, Phase I, Harvest Acres, with Gilmore & Associates, Inc. in the amount of \$5,500.00 for changing the number of borings from 18 to 27 and the standard penetration test (SPT) with sampling to be conducted in each new boring passed with 3 ayes.

8. Change Order No. 1 under Contract Agreement for Professional Services with Gilmore & Associates, Inc. for the Western End Sewer Project, Phase II

A motion (Bass-Bleich)) approving Change Order no. 1 under the Contract Agreement for Professional Services for the Western End Sewer Extension Project, Phase II with Gilmore & Associates, Inc. in the amount of \$29,300.00 for changing the number of boring from 125 plus or minus to 185 plus or minus; the standard penetration test (SPT) with sampling to be conducted in each new boring; and rock coring to be conducted at boring locations where bedrock is encountered above the proposed sewer invert elevation (up to 100 lineal feet of rock coring will be performed) passed with 3 ayes.

9. Harvest Acres Easement Amendments - Resolution No. 2008-956 through 2008-960

A motion (Bleich-Bass) adopting Resolution No. 2008-956 relinquishing the previously taken easements (Resolutions No. 2008-932 and 2008-927-A) on TMP #31-10-32 (Tanner); 2008-957 acquiring a 20' wide temporary construction easement on TMP #31-10-323 (Tanner); 2008-958 revoking Resolution No. 2008-949 to relinquish a 20' variable width permanent easement and a 20' foot permanent easement through TMP #31-10-32-5 (Hludzinski); 2008-959 acquiring a variable width permanent easement across TMP #31-20-32-5 (Hludzinski); and 2008-960 acquiring a temporary construction easement across TMP #31-10-32-5 (Hludzinski) passed with 3 ayes.

10. Arbitrage Rebate Compliance Services / PFM

A motion (Bleich-Bass) approving the engagement of PFM Group of Harrisburg, PA to perform arbitrage rebate compliance services in accordance with their proposed dated June 25, 2008 in the amount of \$7,000.00 passed with 3 ayes.

Supplemental Agenda Item "A" – Emergency Repair – Mill Creek Siphon Chamber Streambank Stabilization Project – Contract No. 3-A-08

A motion (Bleich-Bass) authorizing the Executive Director to declare an emergency for repairs at the Mill Creek Siphon Chamber in our two 18" sanitary sewer pipes and encasement should Pennoni Associates determine that the condition warrants immediate emergency repairs passed with 3 ayes.

11. Western End Sewer Extension Project

The residents who addressed the Board were as follows: Mr. Louis Hirsch; Mr. Mark Brendlinger; Mrs. Gold; Mr. Ed Bailey; Mrs. Victoria Black; Mr. Rodger Bushell; Mr. James Arrow; Mr. Jason Guzy; Mr. Steven Rovner; Mr. Marvin Gold; Mr. Jerrold Bass; Mr. Jack Grace; Mr. James Kinney; Mrs. Jean Warfield; Mr. Michael Wolstenholme; and Mr. Frank Rothermel.

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS TO DISCUSS, A MOTION FOR ADJOURNMENT (BASS-BLEICH) AT 9:45 P.M. PASSED WITH 3 AYES.
THE NEXT MEETING IS SCHEDULED FOR AUGUST 6, 2008.