

**Minutes of the Public Meeting held on January 20, 2010**

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

Others Attending: Thomas A. Zeuner, Executive Director  
Michele Mintz, Esquire, Solicitor  
Christopher S. Walker, P.E., Pennoni Associates  
Carol A. Boston, Stenographer

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

**1. Pledge of Allegiance**

Mr. Albano led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**2. Approval of Minutes from January 6, 2010**

A motion (Bleich-Bass) was made adopting a resolution to approve the Minutes from January 6, 2010 and passed with 4 ayes.

**3. Executive Director's Report**

Mr. Zeuner reported as follows:

- Operator's Certification Program – As a result of State budget cuts and furloughs, several DEP staff positions within the "Operators Certification Program" have been eliminated along with several parts of the program. The following have been eliminated at this point and time, until new regulations are adopted: administration and delivery of examinations, processing of applications for initial certification, and any and all certification upgrades. The "Operators Certification Program" will not be accepting new applications for certification, upgrade or reciprocal applications until further notice due to State budget reductions. Although this action by the State does not present an immediate problem to the Authority, as we have numerous team members with the certification requirements, we have long term concerns that the State has mandated certification requirements but now eliminates the process to comply with those mandates by the elimination of funding. The Executive Director believes such actions by the State are not in the best interest of the public.
- Western End Sanitary Sewer Project, Phase II – Approximately 13,000 linear feet of sanitary sewer pipe and 41 manhole runs have been completed. The deep pipe cut through the farm areas has been completed. A revised construction schedule has been submitted by the contractor. The updated schedule has been posted on the web site. Sanitary sewer installation has begun in the residential area of Overlook and Inland Drives. Progress is very rapid as the contractor has mobilized numerous crews through the project area.
- Western End Sanitary Sewer Project, Phase II – Industrial Park Survey – The letter and survey forms are being sent this week by certified mail to all industrial property owners. On site surveys are scheduled to begin the first week of February. The site surveys and tabulation of data will be coordinated by our Consulting Engineer, Pennoni Associates. A copy of the survey form and cover letter will be posted on the web site.
- Ironworks Creek Sanitary Sewer Rehabilitation Project – The Ironworks Creek Sanitary Sewer Rehabilitation Project has several distinct rehabilitation / inspection sections. In certain sections the pipe is being replaced with a larger diameter pipe. In other areas, the pipe was lined by the CIPP method because of known deficiencies but met expectation for design capacity requirements. Other sections were going to be inspected via video inspection methods for integrity. Those sanitary sewer pipe runs have the slope and pipe diameter to meet expectations for design capacity assuming sound joint integrity. The "inspection" by video inspection and plug/bypass pumping was recently completed in accordance with the plan and contract specifications. Significant leaks were identified in four pipe runs. Our Consulting Engineer has estimated the leaks to be approximately 100 GPM. The Authority's cost to process this excess I&I is significant (estimated at \$185,000 annually). There may be an opportunity to remediate the problem using a CIPP contract under the Pennsylvania CO-Stars program with Insituform Industries. This is an unbudgeted item in our capital improvement program for 2010. Additional information and program recommendation will be presented at the February 3, 2010 meeting.

**4. Check Requisitions**

A motion (Bass-Bleich) adopting a resolution to approve Revenue Fund Requisition No. 1920 dated January 20, 2010 in the amount of \$258,057.39 and Bond Redemption & Improvement Fund Requisition No. 479 dated January 20, 2010 in the amount of \$165,380.97 passed with 4 ayes.

The major items paid under Requisition No. 1920 were as follows: Archer & Greiner PC - \$2,850.00; BCWSA (Water) - \$122,668.96; Bee Bergvall & Co. - \$5,700.00; Brinker's Fuels - \$1,874.48; CW Sales Corp. - \$1,938.95; Hartford - \$3,988.17; IKON Office Solution (Copier) - \$5,056.00; Liberty Communications - \$1,754.35; Pennoni Associates - \$5,779.18; Quality Control Inc. - \$1,771.20; Rio Supply - \$7,999.26; Southampton Post Office - \$5,000.00; United Labs - \$2,698.69; Warminster Municipal Authority - \$14,326.56; and a payroll transfer in the amount of \$70,000.00.

The major items paid under Bond Redemption & Improvement Fund Requisition No. 479 were as follows: Gilmore & Associates - \$47,700.00; Northampton Township – (Temporary Easement) \$2,583.90; Northampton Township – (Permanent Easement) - \$9,326.40; Pennoni Associates - \$63,617.37; and Blooming Glen Contractors under Contract No. 6-S-09 - \$42,153.30.

**5. Acceptance of Dedication – Resolution No. 2010-1058 – Northampton Gate, Phase V**

A motion (Bleich-Bass) to adopt Resolution No. 2010-1058 accepting the Deed of Dedication for the sanitary sewer and public water facilities within Northampton Gate, Phase V from Toll PA IV, L.P. passed with 4 ayes.

**6. Acceptance of Dedication – Resolution No. 2010-1059 – Northampton Gate, Phase VI**

A motion (Bass-Bleich) to adopt Resolution No. 2010-1059 accepting the Deed of Dedication for the sanitary sewer and public water facilities within Northampton Gate, Phase VI from Toll PA IV, L.P. passed with 4 ayes.

**Supplemental “A” – Resolution No. 2010-1060 – Temporary and Permanent Easements from Northampton Township**

A motion (Bleich-Jim) adopting Resolution No. 2010-1060 authorizing the acquisition of certain permanent and temporary construction and access easements across property owned by Northampton Township and providing standard compensation for such acquisitions related to the Western End Sanitary Sewer Project, Phase II passed with 4 ayes.

**Supplemental “B” – Maintenance Report for December 2009**

Mr. Albano reported that total water production was 72,415,094 gallons as compared with 67,347,982 gallons for the same period last year; 65 customers were posted for non-payment; 3,600 feet of sewer mains were televised (for a total year-to-date of 121,107 feet); 1,290 feet of sewer mains were cleaned (for a total year-to-date 161,319 feet); there were no sewer blockages; a 6” water main break occurred at 53 Rotterdam East and a ¾” water service at 24 Buckshire Drive were repaired; all curb and valve boxes were located and marked in the Bellwood development; the industrial part was also marked for the sewer project; curb boxes were located in the sidewalks at Village Shires and Tapestry; The Wood sewer pump station ran for a total of 369 hours and pumped 7,749,000 gallons; the Highspire sewer pump station ran for a total of 291 hours; the Manchester sewer pump station ran for a total of 115 hours; the comminutor is being installed; and the contractor treated 39,556 feet of sewer lines in December.

**7. Citizens Concerns**

No citizens appeared before the Board.

A MOTION (BASS-BLEICH) FOR ADJOURNMENT AT 7:45 P.M. PASSED WITH 4 AYES.

THE NEXT MEETING IS SCHEDULED FOR FEBRUARY 3, 2010.