

FREDERICKSBURG SEWER & WATER AUTHORITY
MEETING MINUTES
October 5, 2009

The October 5, 2009 meeting was called to order by Chairman, Jim Heisey. Roll call was taken by Secretary, Lorrie Wright. Those in attendance were Jim Heisey, Rick Rudy, Leonard Snavely, Dale Bevans, and Kevin Organtini. Also in attendance were Tony Fitzgibbons, Scott Lutz, Paul Lutzkanin, Jeff Steckbeck, and Lorrie Wright. Robert Webber was not present.

COMMENTS/COMPLAINTS

MEETING MINUTES

The September 21, 2009 meeting minutes were approved without objection.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Bills Payables – Kevin Organtini made a motion to approve the F'burg Sewer Payables in the amount of \$22,449.44, the F'burg Water Payables in the amount of \$39,149.59, and the Monroe Valley Sewer Payables in the amount of \$23,124.28. Dale Bevans seconded the motion. All voted in favor and the motion carried.

Financial Statement – Dale Bevans made a motion to approve the financial statement as submitted. Leonard Snavely seconded the motion. All voted in favor and the motion carried.

ENGINEER'S REPORT

General / Administrative – Engineering continues to support the administrative staff as requested.

Fredericksburg Plant Expansion / South Fredericksburg – Design work on the new treatment plant continues. A meeting with the Operations Committee was held on Thursday, October 1, 2009 and engineering is working to address those comments and suggestions.

The Solicitor has obtained the Option Agreement for purchase of the plant site from L&L Pig Producers.

Engineering continues to address the comments in the letter received from DEP concerning the Bethel Township ACT 537 Plan Update. Those revisions should be completed and sent to DEP prior to the next board meeting.

Fredericksburg WWTP Operations Support – Engineering continues to review the laboratory test results on the Fredericksburg WWTP and assist operations staff when required.

Monroe Valley WWTP Operations Support – Engineering continues to review the laboratory test results on the Monroe Valley WWTP to watch for abnormalities and assist operations staff when requested.

The lateral repair on Fairway Drive (the Loupe) has been completed. The lateral had developed another belly (it was repaired last year in July). This cost has been paid by SESI.

FSWA Water System Operations Support – Engineering continues to review the laboratory test results on the water system to watch for abnormalities. The Authority received another call about low water pressure on Vista Drive in the Mountain Stream Village Development. Engineering is investigating the possibility of installing the hydrant pressure monitor at the residence and recording pressures for a week to see if there is a problem specific to the residence.

Well #8 – Water System Improvements – Engineering continues to address the letter from DEP regarding the Permit Application for the Water System Improvements and will respond to them as soon as possible. The Erosion and Sediment Control Plan is now a pre-requisite for issuance of the permit for the water tank and piping. The permit is being processed by SESI and the County Conservation District Office.

Bids for Well #8 test drilling were opened in August. Eichelberger's is preparing contract forms but award is being delayed until geologist Slavin confirms site approval with DEP; and also investigates surface water withdrawal directly from the Swatara Creek. The Board instructed the engineer to request that Mr. Slavin appear at a future meeting to discuss this issue. The Board also instructed the engineer to check the expiration date of the Eichelberger bid.

A meeting with Farmers Pride was held on October 1, 2009. Mr. Heisey, Mr. Rudy, and Mr. Steckbeck were in attendance at that meeting. The agenda from that meeting was shared with the Board members. Another meeting will be held in the near future to continue discussing unfinished business.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT

Hillwood – Tony Fitzgibbons reported that the Authority cannot assign Hillwood's Rights-of-Ways. Hillwood is however required to build a pump station if the new treatment plant moves forward. Mr. Kilar, on behalf of the Funck's or anyone else, will have to acquire Hillwood's EDU's from Hillwood.

Wright Easement Agreement – The Solicitor reported that Michael Wright made a change to his Easement Agreement that had not been agreed to by the Authority. This matter was tabled depending on whether or not the test well will be dug.

OFFICE MANAGER'S REPORT

Monroe Valley Vacant Lot Agreements – Lorrie Wright reported that according to the Vacant Lot agreements within 2 years of the date the treatment plant first commences operation the Authority shall begin assessing the owner debt service charges. The Board tabled this matter contingent on determining a debt service charge during this year's budget sessions. This debt service charge will take effect with the first billing of 2010.

OPERATOR'S REPORT

Monroe Valley Sewer System – Scott Lutz reported that the UV pit has been cleaned.

Post E.Q. tank and meter pit was cleaned.

Bulbs, cracked tubes and o-rings have been replaced.

The staff is meeting with ARC on Tuesday, October 13th to do a walk through to inspect the grease issues in that area.

Mr. Heisey spoke with Jon Beers from the City of Lebanon Authority and indicated we wanted to flush and camera about 2500 feet of line in the Monroe Valley. Mr. Beers stated that the City of Lebanon would assist in flushing and camera the line at no cost to the FSWA.

Grass was mowed.

FSWA Water System – Hydrants were flushed and water direction was changed.

The hydrant that was struck on S. Pine Grove Street on Sept. 19th has been repaired. The insurance company has been notified of the cost.

The replacement bubbler pump has been installed on the 1MG tank. The lines were repaired on the system because of pressure issues.

Grass was mowed.

FSWA Sewer System – The seals in the waste valves in the basement were replaced.

Contact tanks were cleaned.

Sludge was hauled.

Grass was mowed.

Misc. – Scott Lutz stated that he spoke to DEP about the land application for sludge. According to DEP the farm needs to be permitted for sludge application. DEP also indicated that it would probably be more cost effective to continue hauling sludge based on the size of the plant and the amount of sludge being removed.

Scott Lutz stated that he is investigating Hypo vs. Chlorine Gas at the water tower.

It was reported that A.H. Moyer will be installing the air conditioning in the lab and heat in the garage in Monroe Valley.

The water tower ceiling quote will be discussed at the next meeting in order for Mr. Webber to report on quotes he obtained.

A representative from J.T. Seeley met with Jason from Lech Bros., along with Mr. Webber and Scott Lutz to determine the problem with the grinder pump at 145 Laurel Drive. Scott indicated that the floats were set incorrectly when installed. The neighbor's house was investigated also and they found out the floats were set incorrectly to the point where water was backing up into the house. All customers that had a grinder pump installed will be receiving a letter indicating that the Authority will perform a grinder pump inspection.

Paul Lutzkanin reported that James Logan contacted his office today to complain about someone changing something on his grinder station without his permission. Mr. Lutzkanin explained that there issues with the floats at Mr. Seibert's and as a result investigated the floats at his property. If the floats were changed it would have been to his benefit. Mr. Logan understood but was still unhappy that it was changed on his property without his permission. Mr. Heisey stated that he would contact Mr. Logan.

OLD BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

Tony Fitzgibbons reported that the L&L Pig Producers agreements are moving forward. An appraisal has been commenced with Nelson Ebersole.

The Cicero properties located at 20 & 22 Aster Lane were sold at a tax sale in September. The Authority should received payment around November 2009.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Budget Committee – The budget committee will meet on Thursday, October 8th at 10:00 A.M. to discuss the 2010 budget.

COMMENTS/COMPLAINTS

ADJOURNMENT

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Rick Rudy and seconded by Dale Bevans. All voted in favor and the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

**Lorrie Wright,
Secretary/Treasurer**