

**ANTIETAM VALLEY MUNICIPAL AUTHORITY
MEETING OF MAY 28, 2009**

MINUTES:

The May Meeting of the Antietam Valley Municipal Authority was held on the above-captioned date with the following answering the roll call:

Mr. Benjamin Overley, Vice-Chairman
Mr. Timothy Waldman, Asst. Treasurer
Mrs. Christine Staron, Treasurer

Also Present:

Mr. Brian Boland, Esq., Kozloff Stoudt
Mr. Michael Sassaman, Arro Engineering
Mr. Kerry Ustaszewski, Superintendent
Ms. Loretta Shipe, Asst. Secretary

Absent:

Mrs. Elaine Bildstein, Chairperson
Mrs. Pamela Keeler, Secretary

The Vice-Chairman Mr. Benjamin Overley called the meeting to order at 7:30 PM with the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.

NEW BUSINESS

The April 23, 2009 minutes were approved on a motion by Mr. Waldman, seconded by Mrs. Staron. **Motion passed.**

COMMITTEE REPORTS

FINANCE COMMITTEE:

1. General Account Checks for Approval:

Check Nos. 2181 through 2197 in the amount of \$27,345.36 from the General Account dated 5/29/09 and Check Nos. 1831 through 1833 and eight EFT's in the amount of \$10,852.94 from the Payroll Account dated 5/29/09 were approved on a motion by Mrs. Staron, seconded by Mr. Waldman. **Motion passed.**

2. General Account & Payroll Account Checks for Ratification:

Fifteen EFTs and Check Nos. 1829 and 1830 in the amount of \$19,473.61 from the Payroll Account dated 05/01/09 and 05/15/09 and Check No. 2161 through 2180 in the amount of \$424,101.02 from the General Account dated 04/23/09 through 05/26/09 for a combined

total of \$443,574.63 were approved on a motion by Mrs. Staron, seconded by Mr. Waldman. **Motion passed.**

Treasurer's Report – Month ending April of 2009:

Accounts:

Commerce Bank

Savings	\$ 113,083.48
Payroll	\$ 20,835.77
Checking	\$ 14,886.46
Sewer Revenue	\$ 501,966.00

Other

Morgan Stanley Beginning Balance:	\$ 621,441.68
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Project Fund 2002:

Receipts	\$ 0.00
Expenses	\$ 0.00
Ending Balance	\$ 0.00

Leesport Bank

Beginning Balance	\$ 902,033.28
Receipts	\$ 0.00
Expenses	\$ 0.00
Ending Balance	\$ 902,033.28

Total Cash Available	\$ 2,174,246.67
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Motion was made by Mrs. Staron, seconded by Mr. Waldman to accept April's Treasurer's Report. **Motion passed.**

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE:

The Capital Improvement Committee Report issues will be covered under the Engineering Report.

ENGINEERING REPORT

Mr. Sassaman presented the Engineering Report.

1. **Sewer Lining Sweigart Lane** – Bids were received at the April meeting. Contracts were awarded to AM Liner East in Virginia. The Contractor said they will be working in June in St. Lawrence and they will contact us to coordinate the work at AVMA during the same period. The Contracts were signed.
2. **NPDES Permit Renewal** – Kerry is working on the required laboratory testing for the NPDES Permit Renewal.
3. **Aeration Tank Improvements** – ARRO contacted the Flygt representatives to arrange a site visit to see this equipment and have called them several times. We have not been able to get a response for a visit or contact yet.

4. New Clarifier Weir Brush System – Initial testing should take place soon. Fabrication is in process.

5. Oxidation Ditch Rotors – Kerry was going to contact Doug Muller from Eastern Environmental to look at the rotors and discuss the issues with the Lakeside details on the rotor dimensions. Lakeside provided a price to purchase one complete new rotor assembly of \$23,090. The removed rotor could then be sent back to the factory for reconditioning or replacement and switched out for the other unit.

6. F. Wanner PS 2nd Pump – Eastern Environmental has installed the second pump in the wet well and the electrical portion of the construction. Eastern Environmental has submitted Payment Application No. 2 for the work in the amount of \$3,135.00. ARRO recommends approval of Payment Application No. 2. There is still \$2,900.00 of retainage still outstanding. Motion was made by Mrs. Staron, seconded by Mr. Waldman to approve Payment Application No. 2 from Eastern Environmental in the amount of \$3,135.00.

Motion passed.

During the start-up of the second pump, the pump was pulled out to check the rotation. It was discovered that the paint was completely peeled off the bottom pieces of this pump, as well as on the other pump. The orange degreaser to keep the floating grease down may be responsible for stripping this paint. Flygt has been contacted and they have received the MSDS for this orange degreaser. We are waiting to hear back from them.

7. Friedensburg Road Sewer Extension – The construction was completed by Thursday, April 23, 2009. The sewer main and manholes were tested and approved. No lateral work has been completed so far. ARRO has prepared an amendment to the Highway Occupancy Permit to cover any boring work that the property owners will do and has filed that form with Penn DOT. The HOP should be issued with a one year term. Lower Alsace Township was notified by letter that the sewer main was completed and is ready for connections. Barrasso Excavating has submitted an invoice for the work in the total amount of \$13,611.30. ARRO recommends payment of this amount in accordance with the contract.

Motion was made by Mr. Waldman, seconded by Mrs. Staron to approve this invoice from Barrasso Excavating in the amount of \$13,611.30. **Motion passed.**

Motion was made by Mr. Overley, seconded by Mr. Waldman to lien only the construction costs from Barrasso Excavating. **Motion passed.**

8. I/I and Sewer Televising – At the CIC meeting we discussed the I/I situation and met with “Flow Assessment Services, LLC” to discuss what services they can offer to locate inflow sources. They offered to install portable flow meters to identify high flow areas but this may not be very productive in our opinion. The estimated total cost to televise the whole sewer system is approximately \$190,000. The CIC discussed the idea of doing _ or _ of the system instead of the entire system. The CIC had the opinion that the televising would set a baseline of the integrity and condition of the Vitrified Clay Pipe sewers. ARRO could easily revise the bidding documents to whatever quantity of sewers that the Authority wants to include.

SAFETY COMMITTEE

There was no Safety Committee Report at this time.

FINANCE COMMITTEE:

There was no Finance Committee Report at this time.

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

There was no Personnel Committee Report at this time.

PENSION COMMITTEE:

There was no Pension Committee Report at this time.

MPBMA

Mr. Overley presented the MPBMA Report.

1. The MPBMA accepted bids for painting the inside of a water tower. A brief explanation was given by Mr. Overley.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Mr. Ustaszewski presented the Superintendent's Report.

1. The DMRs were included in the packet. All results are within the limitations set forth on the NPDES Permit. On May 21, 2009, Pat Bowen of the DEP, performed a NPDES Compliance Inspection. All test results were within permit requirements. A brief explanation followed.

2. Mr. Waldman made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Staron to have M. J. Reider provide the necessary laboratory testing for the NPDES Permit Renewal. **Motion passed.**

3. The first round of the Effluent Toxicity Testing (WET) is completed. The survival rate was 100%.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT:

Mr. Boland, Esq. presented the Solicitor's Report.

1. There is nothing new regarding the mobile home park.

2. Stokesay Castle has been sold. AVMA should be receiving payment.

3. Mr. Ustaszewski stated that he dropped information off at Mr. Boland's office dealing with the ownership of collection system lines in Exeter Township. A brief explanation followed.

OFFICE MANAGER'S REPORT:

Ms. Shipe presented the Monthly Office Manager's Report

1. A letter was included in the packet from de paul realty regarding the Antietam Arms Apartment Complex. They would like to remove the pool and bathhouse which contains two water closets, one urinal, two lavatories and two showers and construct a new 2100 SF Leasing Office/Fitness Center with one water closet, one lavatory and one kitchen sink. They would like to tie-in the new building to the existing sanitary lateral which currently services the bathhouse.

Motion was made by Mrs. Staron, seconded by Mr. Waldman to allow the conversion from pool to Leasing Office/Fitness Center with no additional EDU's. **Motion passed.**

2. Commerce Bank is changing to Metro Bank.

3. A letter was received from Black & Veatch regarding the City of Reading WWTP, Notice of Application for Permits. A short discussion followed.

4. Motion was made by Mrs. Staron, seconded by Mr. Waldman, to pass a Resolution to join the Berks County Cooperative Purchasing Council and appoint Elaine Bildstein as our representative to be part of a Joint Cooperative Purchasing Council and sign and pass the Energy Services Council Pre-Approval. **Motion passed.**

5. The sewer application and money has been received from Mr. Manzella.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

There being no further business a motion was made by Mrs. Staron, seconded by Mr. Waldman to adjourn the meeting. Motion passed and the meeting adjourned at 8:30 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Loretta L. Shipe,
Assistant Secretary