

Athens Township Authority
July 18, 2011

Chairman, Patrick Musto at 5:33 p.m., called meeting to order. All members were present.

There were no citizens to be heard.

Motion by Cockcroft, seconded by Blauvelt to approve the minutes of the June 20, 2011 meeting as written. Motion was unanimous.

FINANCIAL

Motion by Depew, seconded by Walter to approve the payment of the presented bills totaling \$58,182.70. Motion was unanimous. Depew asked about Coyne and if they were the uniforms. Huckabee stated they were Bob's, but he was supposed to return them last year. Bob said he would bring them to office in morning.

Aqua Pa. Water	\$150.99
Athens Borough	\$2,044.83
Coyne	\$140.00
EFP Rotenberg, LLP	\$1,900.00
Gannon Associates, Inc.	\$1,254.00
Horn's True Value	\$78.81
J & R Electric	\$214.00
Johnson & McEwen	\$240.00
Line Systems	\$301.22
Niemiec, Smith & Pellingier	\$470.00
Pa. 1 Call	\$15.20
Penelec	\$1,300.92
Pitney Bowes	\$376.86
Quill	\$295.54
The Daily Review	\$157.55
The UPS Store	\$8.69
Time Warner Cable	\$42.53
Valley Energy	\$128.18
Valley Joint Sewer Authority	\$49,063.38
TOTAL	\$58,182.70

The 2010 audits were received. There is a comment about having a material weakness. Musto spoke with auditors because the VJSA also had the comment and what it means is that since we do not have an accountant on staff, we need their services. The audit shows no findings.

We received a quote from 1st Energy for a guarantee 7.42 cents per Kilowatt for our pump stations. Motion by Depew, seconded by Walter to approve contracting with 1st Energy at the rate of 7.42. Motion was unanimous.

MAINTENANCE

Blauvelt reported that the floors in the sheds that needed replace have been replaced. The roof on #6 has been repaired. The metal doors have been painted. The chlorine has been delivered and is working. The crane has been installed and helps him a lot to pull the trash baskets. He is taking the tires to be fixed on the trash pump and Dave Walter is going to take pump and look it over. Blauvelt asked if there were any color choice for staining the sheds and he was told to pick a color.

Manholes in the township roadways were discussed. Walter stated that a manhole on Center Street needs raised because they are paving. Huckabee stated that Randy from road crew stated Westbrook Street and needed to be raised about 4". Discussed continued on who is responsible. Motion by Cockcroft, seconded by Blauvelt to have Austin's raises the manholes in question for the Township. Motion was unanimous. Walters stated we need a policy on who is going to do what, because his road crew does not know what to do, and we are unable. Cockcroft stated he would like a copy of the Township's Street opening permit to review, because these utilities open the roads and are some of the problem we have with our ditches sinking.

LEGAL

Attorney Smith stated the sheriff's sale for David Bunt is July 25, 2011 and with the fine for him not being connected since when he purchased tap in permit in November, we could file for about \$30,000. Smith stated he wrote him but he has never answer the letter. He also has not contacted our office with any word on connecting. Motion by Cockcroft to agree to a \$10,000 settlement prior to the sale and we hire contractor to connect or allow Attorney Smith to charge the \$100 a day to bid on day of sale. Motion was unanimous.

Smith asked if we had heard anything from Mr. Teeter and nothing as of yet.

Smith contacted Attorney Jonathan Foster regarding the Athens Borough agreement. Smith asked if Main Street had been televised yet and as far as ATA knows, it has not.

The additional funds from the tax free loan have been authorized by the bond council to use on our grinder system project at pump station #1.

The resolution passed on June 20, 2011 for reimbursement of funds for Road C was signed.

PROJECTS

Sweetland sent review comments regarding Fine Line Homes. We will forward a copy of the comments to Larsen for the changes to be made.

Keystone Consulting & Associates, LLC submitted a module card for the Hurley property located on Elmira Street for a proposed Microtel Hotel. EDU count will be 44 EDU's. Motion by Walter, seconded by Depew to approve the module contingent upon review of our capacity in this area. Motion was unanimous.

A letter was received from CEI wanting a letter to serve for a new Super Wal-Mart. Increase would be about 10 to 20 EDU's. Motion by Walter, seconded by Depew to authorize the letter to serve for Wal-Mart. Motion was unanimous.

OTHER BUSINESS

Dr. Musto reported that the Valley Joint Sewer Authority does not want the trailer for the camera system and stated that they could purchase the same camera system for about \$2,000 less, so they are offering to purchase the system for what the cost is right now. Motion by Cockcroft, seconded by Walter to sell the camera system for the today's cost to the Valley Joint Sewer Authority. Blauvelt said the fire department might be interested in the trailer and if not we will put a for sale sign on it and put in parking lot for sale.

Dr. Musto stated that Sayre Borough lost an employee, so they would not be interested in submitting a proposal for pump station maintenance. Also, Craig Allis had a concern using his license for our operator, so his father Dave Allis agreed to allow ATA to use his license. Motion by Walter, second by Dr. Musto to approve ATA to use Dave Allis license for our operator. Motion was unanimous.

Musto stated that the VJSA project should go out to bid in early August with opening in September. Bond closing about October. He talked to Sayre about acquiring additional capacity. Sayre will be discussing this and Dr. Musto hopes that we would be allow an additional member on board, as we would be paying more O & M than Athens Borough. Right now is the best opportunity for Sayre and Athens Borough both to give us some of their capacity.

Meeting recessed into executive session for personnel contract issues at 7:10 p.m. Per Musto - The Board came out of executive session at 7:32PM. Walters made a motion to approve the Employment Agreement as amended, Cockcroft seconded the motion, and the motion was approve 4 Yea and 1 abstention Mr. Blauvelt. Walters made a motion to hire Robert Blauvelt per the terms of the Employment Agreement, seconded by Depew, and approved 4 Yea and 1 abstention Mr. Blauvelt.

Mr. Walters made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Mr. Depew, and passed 5-0. The meeting was adjourned at 7:47PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Valerie Huckabee

Secretary