

Athens Township Authority
September 29, 2011

Chairman Dr. Pat Musto called meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. Members also present were Bob Blauvelt, Terry Cockcroft, and Jack Walter. Authority Attorney Mark Smith was also present.

Motion by Walter, seconded by Blauvelt to approve the minutes of the July 18, 2011 minutes as written. Motion was unanimous.

Dr. Musto reported the bids were received for the Valley Joint Sewer Authority project and is a lot higher than expected. Financing will be for \$20,000,000. ATA should still be okay rate wise at \$130 a quarter, as the bond will be for 22 ½ years instead of 20 years. Dr. Musto stated he believes ATA will be able to acquire 3% to 5% capacity and still be okay with their sewer fees. Cockcroft stated it is fine to have capacity as long as we have capacity in the lines. Musto stated that our share of the bond would be \$66,000 a quarter. The Township supervisors have to guarantee for ATA and ATA wants them to approve guarantee for the additional capacity. If we do not acquire it, at least what we have is guaranteed. Discussion followed about future rates and that if ATA is going to raise rates, now is the time to do this. Dr. Musto had to leave meeting for another commitment and turned the meeting over to Vice Chairman, Terry Cockcroft.

CITIZENS

Brian Huckabee introduces himself and the company he represents is T & M Associates. It is an engineering firm based in New Jersey. They have been in business for over 45 years and have over 300 employees to do everything needed in the engineering field. He stated they have six offices throughout New Jersey and Pennsylvania and just opened an office in Bradford County. He stated due to the flooding, they have temporary renting an area at the South Waverly Borough building. Mr. Huckabee stated that he would like to entertain a proposal for on call services, plan reviews, onsite inspection and any other services, reports, etc. needed when needed. Cockcroft said he would like to see a proposal and board agreed.

FINANCIAL

The following bills were reviewed. Cockcroft asked what J & R Electric bill and Austin's bill were for. Austin's was for pumping the pump station by Camco during the April rain period and pumping Queen Esther recently. J & R was for pump station #1 and looking at #3. Jeff Paul's bill was for the repair of a pipe in QEE pump station, but Blauvelt said when J & R was up to station, what Jeff Paul did is not working, or it is believed to be not working. Blauvelt said he is not sure if Paul did anything to the check valve in the bottom of pit, where Paul replaced the pipe. Tripe V Electric will be contacted by Blauvelt to have them look at it and to give us a proposal for on call work instead of calling J & R in Vestal. Motion by Walter, seconded by Blauvelt, to approve the payment of the following bills. Motion was unanimous.

Amrex	\$800.00
Aqua Pa. Water	\$551.36
Athens Township Supervisors	\$60.00
Austin's Excavating	\$5,577.00
Comercial Maintenance Chemical Corp.	\$131.16
Coyne Textile Service	\$60.00
EFP Rotenberg, LLP	\$3,000.00
Gannon Associates	\$1,652.00
Horn's True Value	\$27.05
J & R Electric	\$881.00
Jeff Paul Plumbing and Heating	\$872.00
Line Systems	\$912.45
Niemiec, Smith & Pellinger	\$328.50
Penelec	\$3,091.50
Pitney Bowes	\$1,103.22
Pitney Bowes Purchase Power	\$600.00
Quill	\$176.46
South Waverly Borough	\$9,182.70

Sweetland Engineering	\$2,608.15
The UPS Store	\$27.96
Time Warner Cable	\$120.17
USA Bluebook	\$16.92
Valley Energy	\$446.09
Valley joint Sewer Authority	<u>\$2,320.00</u>
TOTAL	\$34,545.69

MAINTENANCE

Bob Blauvelt reported that he called Joe Rosati regarding an alarm that was received at pump station #1 this morning. He stated 2 of Rosati's men came to station and checked the electric panel and said it was from a power surge. Blauvelt then asked about what we should do about the valves in pump station #3 since they are not moving right. Cockcroft spoke to Blauvelt about the valves.

LEGAL

Attorney Smith reported that there was a sheriff's sale held on the 28th, the Bunt property located on Wilawana Road for non-connection of sewer was auctioned off, and ATA is the proud owners for about \$2,000.00. Smith stated ATA can acquire insurance and Smith will contact Gannon's and approximately 1 month, we will have deed and we can change locks etc. Smith said someone needs to take picture of the property right now to show what it looks like now. Smith stated a letter like the resolution we passed for the reimbursement for the Road C work was requested and Smith had Dr. Musto sign the letter. Foster was contacted about the Athens Borough contract and the lines need televised first.

Meeting recessed into executive session at 6:55 p.m. for legal reason. Meeting reconvened at 7:15 and adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,
 Valorie L. Huckabee
 Secretary