

Athens Township Authority
October 17, 2011

Chairman, Patrick Musto at 5:30 p.m., called meeting to order. Members present were Terry Cockcroft, Bob Blauvelt, Jack Walter, and Terry Depew. Also attending was Solicitor Mark Smith and Secretary Valorie Huckabee. Guest was Mark Lundquist and Brian Huckabee.

There were no citizens to be heard

Motion by Cockcroft, seconded by Walter to approve the payment of the September 29, 2011 meeting as presented. Motion was unanimous.

FINANCIAL

Mark Lundquist presented the bank loan figures for the \$20 million dollar loan from for the Valley Joint Sewer Authority plant construction. Lundquist explained this loan is a drawdown line of credit, so the final figure of the loan will be based on how much has been used. There will be 3 yearly notes. ATA 22% shares will be \$4.4 million. Discussion followed about obtaining additional capacity from other municipalities. For every 1%, ATA would have to pay additional \$12,358.27. The Township Supervisors will have to guarantee the loan and ATA should have them guarantee for higher percentage of capacity, even if we do not use it. Motion by Walter, seconded by Blauvelt to accept the report and forward to the Township Supervisors for ordinance adoption for 27% capacity. Motion was unanimous.

Lundquist stated interest rates have dropped significantly in the last 6 months and he has spoken with the bank and has asked them to modify the current loans. This would be completely by a letter agreement and not a refinance. Motions by Walter, seconded by Depew, to have the appropriate officers sign the letter of agreement to lower the interest rate on our current loan with 1st Citizens. Motion was unanimous. This could save appropriately \$50,000 to \$75,000 on the loan.

The following bills were reviewed for approve for payment. Motion by Cockcroft, seconded by Walter to approve the payment of the presented bills that total \$8,292.04. Motion was unanimous.

Aqua Pa. Water	\$43.00
Athens Borough Council	\$2,564.10
Gannon Associates	\$403.00
J & R Electric	\$1,614.84
Niemiec, Smith & Pellingier	\$390.00
Pa. 1 Call	\$22.80
Penelec	\$1,457.90
PennDot	\$280.00
Purchase Power – Pitney Bowes	\$265.00
Secretary of Commonwealth	\$168.00
The Morning Times	\$17.80
Valley Energy	\$25.60
Valley Joint Sewer Authority	<u>\$1,040.00</u>
TOTAL	\$8,292.04

A service agreement was received was received from Kinsley Power Systems for CVS pump station. Secretary Huckabee questioned why we got it to begin with as this not ATA's station. Blauvelt stated when they came last week to do the bi-yearly service on our pump stations; there had not been an agreement to include this pump station. The boards stated to have Blauvelt notify Kinsley that this agreement and any charges need to be bills to CVS and not ATA.

Brian Huckabee from T & M Associates presented an agreement for services by T & M for any services needed by ATA for engineering, plan reviews, inspections, and any on the call items or anything needed by ATA. Motion by Cockcroft, seconded by Blauvelt to approve the T & M Associates contract as presented. Motion was unanimous.

MAINTENANCE

Blauvelt stated on October 7, 2011, Athens Borough's televised Main Street from Edward Street to Public Street and there are some problems. He believes this was televised for FEMA reason and not for our agreement with Athens Borough. There still has not been an agreement change for the pump stations.

Blauvelt contact Triple V electric for prices for services. They will charge \$42 an hour for services and \$75 an hour for emergency type call outs. Blauvelt stated that it would take them about 20 minutes if called out on emergency type basis. Cockcroft asked that we write Triple V and ask them for qualification for the items we would need them to do for us. Triple V stated that they service Athens and Sayre Borough.

Austin's has fixed the manhole in Hickory Heights. In addition, Blauvelt received a call from Township regarding sinkhole on Vista Drive and it is not ATA problem, Cockcroft stated it is Water Company.

LEGAL

Attorney Smith stated that we would have deed in a couple weeks for the Bunt house. He spoke with insurance company to obtain some insurance on house and Gannon's would like to have pictures of inside also. ATA got 2 estimates to clean up the property landscaping wise when were able to get on the property. Randy's Greenhouse estimate was \$1,865 and Nick's landscaping is \$1,500. Motions by Depew, seconded by Blauvelt to have Nick's do the landscaping work as soon as were able to get on property. Motion was unanimous. We will also check the condition of items in house and see if anything needs to be done to get it on the market to get it sold. Locks will be changed as soon as we can get in house after Mr. Bunt leaves.

Smith stated he wrote Navarrow & Wright regarding the charges they charged ATA that ATA does not agree with, as they were not the fee's per our agreement with them. Smith stated Mr. Wright said he had authorization for all the charges and Smith stated to him to send his authorization for the charges.

OTHER BUSINESS

Blauvelt stated that there are campers in a few areas that seem to be living in and wanted to know if has permission to question if they are connected to the sewer line. There is

one down behind the diner in Greenes Landing and 1 behind the Rosh's ice cream store. Blauvelt stated yes he needs to check these out.

FEMA is getting a conditional use permission to put HUD trailers on Austin's property on the Wilawana Road. Discussion followed about who is responsible. For trailer court, the landowner is responsible for all fees. After further discussion, ATA will not waive any fees and they will have to abide by our Rules & Regulations, as any other developer would do.

Discussion followed about changing firms for big sewer projects for ATA. Dr. Musto stated that since CET is the Valley Joint's engineer he feels they could do jobs also for ATA. Cockcroft stated he is employed by CET and would abstain from any votes involving CET. If ATA has any projects in the future, we will ask for proposals.

No further business, meeting adjourned at 7:16 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Valorie L. Huckabee

Secretary