

Union City Municipal Authority (UCMA)
29 South Main St. Union City, Pa
September 9, 2010
Regular Monthly Meeting

The regular monthly meeting of the Union City Municipal Authority was called to order at 5:04, on Thursday September 9, 2010. Those in attendance were Board Members: Thelma Morgan, Mike Wienczkowski, Louie Johnson and Dustin Kolaja. Solicitor-Tim Wachter, Engineer-Gus Maas, Manager-Terry ShROUT and Administrative Assistant-Laurie Galinsky. Guests: Troy Reynolds, Nancy Brumagin, Judy Lewis and Brian Maynard.

Mike Wienczkowski made the motion to approve the minutes from the August 12, 2010 meeting, Dustin Kolaja seconded and Louie Johnson abstained.

The floor was opened for public comments. Troy Reynolds from Putnam St. stated that he had received a letter from the borough (sic) about the overflow drains in his back yard. Terry offered to discuss the situation with him after the Board meeting.

Board went into executive session at 5:10 and returned at 5:46.

MANAGER'S REPORT:

Terry now has a signed copy of our lease with the Ubers and a copy of their insurance. He still has concerns about the snow removal and will follow up with Tim Wachter at some point.

We started testing with sodium permanganate at the water plant on August 26th and we will continue with the trial for approximately 4 weeks. We will continue with trial as long as we are encouraged by the test results.

Putnam Warden Street update: Contractors are winding up the job. Terry has a couple of concerns; one is the paving to be done on Warden Street, and the other one is the grass restoration at Caflish Park (Bridge Street project). He is to meet with McLallen to go over finalizing these projects. Warden & Putnam Streets project went very well, addressed a lot of I& I issues.

Terry should have a quote next week on a price to drill a test well at the Water Plant. We have 2 opportunities and location for potential well sites, the one at our water plant and another one off Hoyt Rd.

Smoke and Dye testing finished last week. We will need to review these reports and perform additional testing ourselves. The smoke testing indicated that we have quite a few storm sewers tied into the sanitary sewers. However, the follow-up dye testing was not very informative. We need to do additional dye testing during high water flows and follow that with camera testing. We will need to determine exactly where there are direct

connections between the storm and sanitary sewers before we request that repairs be made; these repairs are likely to be expensive.

Terry read a letter from Karen Lesik requesting that she be granted sick leave.

ENGINEER'S REPORT:

Our Consent Order "evaluation report" must be completed by this December 31. We were not able to eliminate the pre-chlorination as we had last year because of water quality issues. Gus feels that we really need to push the search for wells.

They will be reviewing the smoke & dye reports to see how best to proceed.

They are working on the H2O project design this fall and will begin the bidding process after the first of the year.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT:

Tim Wachter had nothing to report.

Bills were reviewed and Louie Johnson made the motion to approve, Mike Wienczkowski seconded. Dustin Kolaja opposed.

NEW BUSINESS:

Open records officer needs to have temporary fill in while Karen is gone. Laurie is to fill in.

Louie Johnson made the motion to approve Karen Lesik's leave of absence. Mike Wienczkowski seconded. All in favor, motion carried.

Mike Wienczkowski made the motion to authorize the signature and execution of the release and settlement agreement in the two matters of Brumagin V. Union City Municipal Authority. Dustin Kolaja seconded, all in favor, motion carried.

Louie Johnson asked about setting a fine for tampering with meters. He feels that if the seal is broken the customer should be fined. Tim Wachter is going to review the Rules & Regulations regarding these types of penalties.

Louie Johnson also mentioned that he feels that the board members should attend the Thursday employee meetings when possible.

Louie Johnson also questioned the gate closing at the reservoir.

Louie Johnson suggested abolishing the executive committee. He feels that everyone is in place and the committee is no longer needed. Thelma Morgan agreed and dissolved the executive committee.

Louie Johnson brought up the expenses for repairs are exceeding the budget line items. He feels we need to proceed with repairs. Terry explained that he was not seeking approval from the Board when he brought up those expenses; he is going ahead with the repairs because they are necessary. He just wanted to inform the Board because the number and cost of the repairs needed was substantial.

Dustin Kolaja made a motion to adjourn, Mike Wienczkowski seconded, all in favor. Meeting adjourned at 6:20.

Chairperson

Secretary