

THE MINUTES OF THE CORNWALL BOROUGH, LEBANON COUNTY  
MUNICIPAL AUTHORITY MEETING HELD  
MONDAY, MAY 17, 2010 AT 7:30 P.M.  
IN THE CORNWALL BOROUGH OFFICE

Chairperson Bruce Conrad called the meeting to order at 7:31 P.M.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Bruce Conrad, Craig Cook, Jeff Marley, Kathleen Schaeffer, and Donald Bemederfer were present. Solicitor Weiss, Engineer Jonathan Beers; Water/Sewer Superintendent Michael Rider and Administrator Barbara Henry were also present.

PUBLIC INPUT

Mr. Tom Long, the Public Works Director for North Cornwall Township and Mr. Bob Schaeffer, from Gannett Fleming, the engineering firm representing the Township were present at this meeting. North Cornwall Township and Township Authority would like to improve communications and the working relationship with the Cornwall Authority. The letter regarding North Cornwall's sewer lines was discussed in detail. The Authority requested that North Cornwall submit a letter detailing the work the Township is looking at having completed as well as the shared cost for the work on both the township line as well as the Cornwall line.

Mr. Rob Koehler, liaison from Cornwall Borough Council was present.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes from the April 19, 2010 regular meeting were approved as submitted by common consent. The minutes from the April 29, 2010 special meeting were approved by common consent as submitted.

CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED

A letter was received from North Cornwall Township regarding the sewer rehabilitation project. This letter was reviewed as part of public input.

TREASURERS' REPORTS

The Authority accepted the treasurer's water and sewer reports for April 2010 by common consent.

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

A motion was made by Jeff Marley and seconded by Don Bemederfer to approve the disbursements as follows: water fund disbursements for the period of April 20, 2010 – May 17, 2010 totaling \$ 38,037.81; sewer fund disbursements for the period of April 20, 2010 – May 17, 2010 totaling \$ 72,273.74. MOTION passed.

Mrs. Henry told the Authority that Stoner Electric had requested final payment. It was there for their approval but would not be mailed until the manuals were received. She also told them that Dueck had requested final payment that was not processed until the door and retention basin issues were resolved.

ADMINISTRATORS' REPORT

The Administrator's report was accepted by common consent.

Harris Computers has asked Barb Henry to beta-test their utility billing software upgrades. In return for her time Harris will not increase the price of billing support to the Authority for one year. The Authority by common consent agreed to the offer from Harris Computers.

SAMUEL G. WEISS, JR. SOLICITOR

Solicitor Weiss suggested to the Authority that the Blue Bird Inn be sent a shut-off notice since the Inn has

failed to purchase the required sewer EDU's. The Authority told the Administrator to send the notice with the water shut off to occur on May 28, 2010.

#### AUTHORITY ENGINEER

Jon Beers reviewed the as-built legal descriptions for water and sewer lines in Alden Place phases 1, 1A and 2A, 2B and Northgate. Don Bemederfer made a motion, seconded by Kathleen Schaeffer, to accept the legal description of the as-builts for Alden Place phases 1, 1A, 2A, 2B and Northgate. MOTION passed.

#### MIKE RIDER - WATER/SEWER SUPERINTENDENT

After some discussion, the Authority accepted the water and sewer report for the month of April by common consent.

A motion was made by Don Bemederfer seconded by Kathleen Schaeffer to award Hoffer Paving Inc. the paving job at the Cold Springs site for \$6,550.00. MOTION passed.

A motion was made by Don Bemederfer seconded by Jeff Marley to accept Dourte Electric's proposal for lighting the flagpole in the amount of \$450.00. MOTION passed.

Mr. Rider explained that a sinkhole has opened on the property of Jeff Starry, 99 N. Cornwall Road. The sewer line located approximately 5' from the sinkhole was televised. The televising revealed that the sewer main is intact and shows no signs of damage, leaking or mis-alignment.

The Authority made the determination to institute a sinkhole policy. The policy specifies that if after televising the interior of a water or sewer line, the line shows no leaks or other defects that would contribute to a sinkhole, the Authority will assume no responsibility to repair or replace the sinkhole and surrounding area. Furthermore, if the sink hole is allowed to grow and then impacts the integrity of the Authority line, the owner of the area in which the sinkhole is located will be liable for the cost of repair. Mr. Bruce Conrad is of the formal minority opinion and wants it noted that he is not in agreement with the policy but he is in agreement with sending out a letter to the homeowner of 99 North Cornwall Road at this time.

Other items discussed were the Goosetown water services, new projects list, and monthly water flow totals. The Authority tabled the lining of the sewer main in Minersville.

#### EXECUTIVE SESSION

The Authority adjourned into executive session at 9:48 P.M. This session was held to discuss personnel issues.

#### ADJOURNMENT

The Authority adjourned the meeting by common consent at 10:30 P.M.

Sincerely,

Barbara L Henry  
Recording Secretary

