**POSSUM VALLEY MUNICIPAL AUTHORITY**

Meeting – January 7, 2021

Present:

Joseph Saum – Vice Chairman

Harry Melhorn – Secretary/Treasurer

Fred Hartman – Assistant Secretary

Chris Hartsock – Assistant Treasurer

Dan Schriver – Chairman – Via Tele-Conference

Others present: Plant Superintendent Stephen A. Russell, Office Manager Chad M. Smith, Office Assistant Jean A. Hawbaker

P.V.M.A. meeting called to order at 7:00 p.m.

Previous meeting minutes – After review of the December 3, 2020 Regular meeting minutes Fred Hartman moved, seconded by Harry Melhorn to accept the minutes as written. The motion carried unanimously.

**GUESTS**

National Water Specialties Company (NAWSC) - Lynn Herman and Brian Preski – Backflow is the undesirable reversal of the flow of water from its intended direction in any pipeline or plumbing system. Hydraulic conditions within the system may deviate from the normal conditions, causing the water to flow in opposite direction. Eventually, this will lead to the local public water supply, and create potentially hazardous “cross-connection”. NAWSC offers a complete start-to-finish outsourcing solution, from sending compliance notices to tracking final compliance results for water service providers who wish to maintain an effective Cross-Connection Control program for their system to protect their customers and water supply, but are not equipped to handle all aspects of the program cost-effectively. These services are provided at no cost to the authority for the entire period for which NAWSC administers the program. NAWSC generates its revenue from the testers that upload their test results into the proprietary and secure NAWSC system. Also provided are Ordinance/Policy Development with Public Education, Survey to Identify Cross-Connections, Compliance Notification Mailings, Tracking Technician Licensing and Test Equipment Calibration, Tracking Compliance Results and Reporting, Customer Service. Implementation of the program within three weeks of approval of the mailing.

Solicitor Appointment – Chris Hartsock made a motion to appoint Harry Eastman as the Authority Solicitor, seconded by Fred Hartman. Hourly rate $185.00. Motion carried unanimously.

NAWSC Program/Agreement – Harry Melhorn made a motion to enter into an agreement for the NAWSC Program, seconded by Fred Hartman. Motion carried unanimously.

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**SEWER DEPARTMENT OLD BUSINESS**

1) Executive Session from 11-5-20 – Retro Pay – Matter was discussed and no action will be taken.

2) 1495 Carlisle Road – Will consult the Solicitor on this issue.

3) PVMA Computer Back-ups – Have pricing on Carbonite. Will get pricing for Simplicity.

4) Director Pay – Menallen Township and Bendersville Borough approved this increase. Harry Melhorn made a motion to adopt Resolution #1-2021 setting the director’s pay at $100.00/meeting for new members/new terms, seconded by Chris Hartsock. Motion carried unanimously.

5) Authority Expiration – Menellan Township and Bendersville Borough both approved on renewing the authority for 50 years.

**SEWER DEPARTMENT NEW BUSINESS**

Superintendent Sewer Report

* No call-ins this past month.
* Removed pump station at 161 Liberty Lane.
* Found 132 Park Street tank. Has never been pumped.
* Found a defective blower. Will be ordering one at a cost of $3,417.00.
* Received proposals for tank pumping’s. Peck’s for 15,000 gallons hauled out is $1,080.00 and Kline’s is $2,100.00.
* Stripped and waxed the floors.
* Getting quotes to finish putting the fence up around the sewer plant.

**WATER DEPARTMENT OLD BUSINESS**

1) CDBG Updates – A separate report was provided on the progress of each CDBG funded project.

2) Fencing will start next Friday around the generator and building.

3) Rules and regulations need to be updated.

**WATER DEPARTMENT NEW BUSINESS**

Superintendent Water Report

* Hydro-Terra submitted our new well for permitting at 10 gallons/minute to DEP.
* Lost my water sanitarian. Would go to William King’s Supervisor, if needed.

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* Filter plant license needs to be hanging and alarms working.
* Previous month’s investigation into replacing the filter plant computer (getting quote), turned out to be more than was thought and will be postponed at this time.

**MONTHLY FINANCIAL BUSINESS**

1. Review of the delinquent account report for December 2020. The list dropped significantly.
2. Review of the profit/loss report for December 2020.
3. Retroactive checks review/approval December 21, 2020 – Fred Hartman moved to approve, seconded by Dan Schriver. Motion carried unanimously.
4. Current check review/approval January 7, 2021 – Chris Hartsock moved to approve, seconded by Fred Hartman. Motion carried unanimously.

Adjournment was at 8:29 p.m.

The next regularly scheduled meeting will be held on February 4, 2021, 7:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jean A. Hawbaker

Office Assistant

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