

January 20, 2009

**POTTSTOWN BOROUGH AUTHORITY
SEWER**

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Downie called the meeting to order at 8:47 p.m. Present were Ronald Downie, Don Read, Aram Ecker, Tom Carroll and Doug Dilliplane. Also in attendance were Authority Manager Raymond Lopez, Public Works Director Doug Yerger, Solicitor David Garner, Tom Weld, BCM Engineers, Utilities Director Robert Maul, Wastewater Treatment Plant Superintendent Brent Wagner and Grants Assistant Erica Weekley.

OLD BUSINESS

MINUTES

Chairman Downie asked for additions or corrections to the minutes of the December 16, 2008 meeting. Hearing none, the minutes stood approved.

**UPPER POTTS GROVE'S REQUEST FOR ADDITIONAL CAPACITY – YORK STREET
COST SHARING**

Mr. Weld referred to the Engineer's report. He advised that Upper Pottsgrove's 537 Plan has been received and is under review. Mr. Weld added that grant applications are being prepared for the sewer projects and resolutions will come before the Board in a timely manner and requested authorization to proceed with advertising the York Street project.

Mr. Dilliplane moved to authorize the Engineer to proceed with advertising the York Street project. Mr. Carroll seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Solicitor Garner added that the cost sharing agreement is under review and discussion with Upper Pottsgrove Township. He requested authorization to have the Agreement executed to expedite the project.

Mr. Carroll moved to authorize execution of the Cost Sharing Agreement with Upper Pottsgrove Township subject to approval by the Solicitor and by Upper Pottsgrove Township. Mr. Ecker seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

WASTE MANAGEMENT: MEETING NO. 3

Mr. Weld advised that a meeting is scheduled for January 21st to review the not-to-exceed limits.

DEWATERED SLUDGE CONVEYOR

Mr. Wagner noted that the dewatered sludge conveyer is scheduled to start in two weeks.

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GUZENSKI'S - 243 JEFFERSON AVENUE

Solicitor Garner advised that an agreement has been reached between the Authority and the Guzenski's for a sewer credit for the property at 243 Jefferson Avenue. He added that Mr. Yerger is working to resolve the sewer line at 351 North Charlotte Street to be in compliance with the Borough ordinance and the policy of the Authority. The Solicitor requested authorization for the Authority to enter into this Agreement.

Mr. Ecker moved to enter into an Agreement and authorize execution of an Agreement with Dennis Guzenski and Jeanne Petrosky to allow for a credit in the amount of \$2,207 in the sewer charges for the property located at 243 Jefferson Avenue. Mr. Dillilane seconded the motion.

Ms. Petrosky commented on the timing to get the process resolved and questioned the length of time it may take to have 351 North Charlotte Street to come into compliance.

Mr. Downie responded that the Agreement will help to have this matter legally resolved.

Mr. Yerger advised that the property owner is awaiting a quote for costs from a contractor and should be resolved within a week. If this is not achieved, legal action would be necessary.

Solicitor Garner suggested setting a deadline for the property owner, prior to taking legal action.

Chairman Downie requested that Solicitor Garner and Mr. Yerger prepare and forward a legally binding notice to the property owner.

The motion passed unanimously.

HAULERS

Mr. Wagner provided a brief update on the payment procedure for back debt of the haulers noting that the payment process has been successful, with a decrease in balances of \$20,727.40.

NEW BUSINESS

None.

SEWER LINES

OLD BUSINESS

CLEANING INDUSTRIAL HIGHWAY INTERCEPTOR

Mr. Yerger reported that the contractors have completed the work and are finalizing paperwork and he will have a report for the next meeting.

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NEW BUSINESS

None.

FINANCE

Mr. Lopez advised that reports will be provided for next month's meeting. He also advised that a short list of applicants is being reviewed for the Finance Director position.

ANNOUNCEMENT

Mr. Ecker read a letter from the Guzinski's in appreciation for the Board's efforts to resolve the matter regarding the property at 243 Jefferson Avenue.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 9:16 p.m. on motion by Mr. Ecker.

Submitted by Virginia Takach, Borough Secretary for
Don Read, Secretary