

ANTRIM TOWNSHIP MUNICIPAL AUTHORITY
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES FOR
February 26, 2024

The Antrim Township Municipal Authority met Monday, February 26, 2024 at 7:00 pm in the Antrim Township Municipal Building located at 10655 Antrim Church Road with the following members in attendance: Michael Smith, Chairman, John Alleman and Tim Kershner. Also in attendance were Roger Nowell, Public Works Director, Linus Fenicle, Solicitor and Crystal Mummert, Recording Secretary. Board member Rodney Rose arrived at 7:05 pm. Board member Chad Murray was not in attendance.

Chairman Michael Smith called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm. And announced that the meeting was being audio recorded.

There was no public comment.

An Alleman/Kershner motion passed 3-0 to approve the minutes of the January 29, 2023 meeting as written.

An Alleman/Kershner motion passed 3-0 to approve payment of the bills for Funds 06,97,98 and 99 as presented. It was noted that the transfer of Sewer tap fees for Q2, Q3 and Q4 of 2023 from the 08 Fund to the 97 Fund was completed.

There were no visitors.

An Alleman/Kershner motion passed 3-0 to table the following sewer plans due to still being under review:

- A. Century Industrial Development, Land Development, Molly Pitcher Hwy**
- B. Heritage Estates West – Phases 2 & 3, 111 Lot Subdivision, Delanie Drive**
- C. ACBP Conservancy Lane, Land Development, Molly Pitcher Highway**
- D. ACBP Lot 7R & Conservancy Lane, Land Development, Molly Pitcher Highway**
- E. Antrim 16 Developers LLC, Land Development, Buchanan Trail East**

An Alleman/Kershner motion passed 3-0 to approve the following sewer plan:

- A. Grove U.S. Paint Building, Land Development, Buchanan Trail East**

An Alleman/Kershner motion passed 3-0 to table the following sewer and water plans due to still being under review:

- A. Keystone Crossing, 120-unit subdivision, South Young Road**
- B. US Cold Storage, Land Development, Hykes Road**
- C. CORE5 at Mason Dixon, LLC, Land Development, Greenmount Road**

An Alleman/Kershner motion passed 3-0 to approve the sewer and water plan for **Chloe Court Partnership, 4-lot Subdivision, Hykes Road.**

An Alleman/Kershner motion passed 3-0 to recognize the **Evan & Kelsey Martin, Lot addition, Clay Hill Road/Horst Road plan.**

An Alleman/Kershner motion passed 3-0 to approve **Evan & Kelsey Martin, Request for Planning Waiver and Non-Building Declaration, Clay Hill Road/Horst Road.**

Roger held a brief conversation with the board regarding the Utilities Rate Increase and his plan to possibly expand the rate fees for different users such as residential, commercial business and industrial businesses as the treatment needs vary for each user. Nowell stated that he has been working on a plan and would like to have something put together for the board to review at the next meeting.

A discussion ensued regarding the Act 537 plan which was last completed in 1997. A proposal was submitted by Glace with rate fees. Nowell asked the board for approval to allow Glace to start the process. Nowell reported that Glace would meet with himself and Sylvia House to discuss future development within the Township and then go to DEP to review and get guidance for the ACT 537 plan. Alleman asked if Glace could give us a cost of what it will cost to get us to the scoping phase of the plan. Nowell reported that Glace could not give us a total cost and stated that this would be a Capital Project expense and would come from the 97 Fund and not the operating budget. An Alleman/Rose motion passed 4-0 to proceed with Glace as proposed and authorized chairman to sign once the proposal from Glace is approved by Solicitor Fenicle. As per Nowell, different tap fees can be set for different districts.

Nowell reported that he would have a discussion with the Administrator and Board of Supervisors regarding the Landfill Sewage Treatment Agreement before he meets with John Wardzinski of Waste Management. Nowell received information from GHD that the cost of the UV system if implemented at the time of construction would have been around 274,000.00 less than the one we ultimately put in. If something does go wrong regarding the surcharge agreement, we have the ability to recoup the loss in the rate we charge.

Nowell reported that he is still waiting on the Agreement to maintain ownership of the sewer lines from Dave Janda at 679 Hykes Road.

Nowell reported findings on the Bulk water fill stations. He presented photos of simple fill stations however the manufacturer had not given him a cost and only said approximately 80,000.00 for a pre-built station that comes with multiple options. Nowell is still exploring options. Direction was given from the Board for Nowell to get cost estimates to pour a concrete pad having the system placed and possibly have a 6x6 station built around it that would match the water plant.

Nowell reported Solicitor Fenicle had sent a letter to Darrell Martin to make him aware that we do have a well head protection area on the Shook property that he plans to farm and that there should be no farming done in that area. If Martin does any farming in the easement area, he should be aware that it is at his own risk-we are not responsible for crop damage if we need to access the well head protection area. Alleman expressed concern regarding FPR in other areas of the Township and farming in the easement area and asked that Martin maintain proper farming practices to protect the well.

Nowell reported on Exit 3 Public Water and stated that he received an inquiry from Bowman asking what the status was. He replied that we were waiting on them, and they asked how long we had to use the grant funds that were awarded and Nowell stated that we have until the end of 2026. Grant funds were only intended to go from Rte 11 back Pensinger Rd and then developer would bring water line out to Route 11 serving his property. He received another email stating that they were waiting on us and that their expectation was that we would put the bore under Rte 81 and they would help with right of way and demolition of housing if needed. The biggest users of this water line would be Shangri La and the hotel but Nowell did not think they had any interest in contributing to the cost. Alleman asked what the amount would be over the grant funds and Nowell stated probably a couple hundred thousand but this was intended only from Rte 11 back and does not include the Bowman development. Discussed Right of Way cost, bore costs and what amount Bowman would ask for in forgiveness toward the tap fee. Nowell stated that the last cost analysis received on the bore under Rte 81 was about 350,000.00 - would probably be more now. Direction was given to Nowell to get current pricing on the bore under Rte 81 minus the grant monies to see what it would cost the Board and to file an extension on the PennDot permit if necessary.

Nowell reported that there were 3 sewer main leaks repaired on Willowdale. Camera work on Coseytown Road showed leaks and damaged pipes. Awaiting report and proposals for repairs – tributary to pump station 12.

Pump stations 17 and 24 Building repairs – Nothing back from Triad, PSI is working on it.

Buchanan Flats project was granted a 180 day extension from the Board of Supervisors, developers are waiting on funding.

Nowell stated that he has heard nothing on South-Antrim Well 3, he has had requests for more information from DEP 3 times. Project is moving along and he expects to hear something soon.

Nowell stated that there was nothing new to report on North-Antrim Well, Rochester Place or the Murray Well.

Nowell reported that the materials are in for the Water System Fire Hydrants. He is meeting with Tom Moore Wednesday for planning. Plans are to begin with 4 fire hydrants on Hykes Road East and Cedarbrook Drive the first week of March 2024.

Chapter 94 Report is due March 31 and data will be complete this week.

Wastewater Treatment plant operations are going well. TN as of the end of January 2024 ADF for Nitrogen year is 0.77 MGD and TN for Nitrogen year 2023-2024, projected is 7,809 lbs with January total at 1140 lbs (14,109 lbs under the limit). Total TP as of the end of January 2024 ADF for Phosphorus year is 0.77 MGD and TP for Phosphorus year 2023-2024 projected is 1,947 lbs with January total at 232 lbs (975 lbs under the limit). One of our operators was at a training class last week and heard that both Chambersburg and Shippensburg were able to sell credits last year. The question was asked as to when and where we would be able to advertise credits for sale. Nowell reported that we have to wait until the Chesapeake Bay Spreadsheet is completed and that is after September 30th. With the new lab turn-a-round we should be in good shape to sell credits this year.

Nowell reported under Collections and/or Conveyance that he is still waiting on 1 vendor for proposals for the pump retrofit on pump stations 9, 12 and 14. Xyzlem, Envirorep and one other have given proposals. Williamson Pumps is a vendor for Keene pumps, they are out of Reading, Pa. These are all Co-Stars vendors.

Pump station flows are normal. While replacing pumps a crack was discovered in the discharge piping, at pump station 20 - discharge pipe replacement completed.

Water Treatment Plant operations are going well. Chapter 110 AWR is ready for submittal – due March 31st. Drought status None. Glace is beginning work on the permit application for filter media replacement and SCADA. Both projects would be on the same permit and the permit is good for 2 years.

Service line inventory due October 16, 2024. 304 service lines have been checked to date looking for lead or galvanized. A service lateral leak was repaired by a customer at 14898 Cedarbrook Drive.

Normal Pretreatment administrative activity reported. Annual report is due March 31st.

Kershner asked what is happening with water on the North End. Steve at Read has it on his desk to work on the air study, however has not been pushing it. APX is still wanting water as they can not grow anymore without a water supply.

With nothing further on the agenda, a Rose/Alleman motion passed to adjourn 4-0 at 8:04 pm.

A work session is scheduled for Monday, March 11, 2024 at 7:00 pm (if needed) and the next regular meeting is scheduled for Monday, March 25, 2024 at 7:00 pm.

Respectfully Submitted

Crystal D. Mummert
Recording Secretary