

**CHALFONT-NEW BRITAIN TOWNSHIP JOINT SEWAGE AUTHORITY**

**BOARD MEETING MINUTES**

**May 22, 2018**

The semi-monthly meeting of the Chalfont-New Britain Township Joint Sewage Authority was held on Tuesday, May 22, 2018, in the Authority's meeting room.

**Present:** Joseph Bonner, Chairman; Donald Cameron, Vice Chairman; Timothy Hagey, Assistant Treasurer; Gustave Haun, Treasurer; Lawrence Nuesch, Assistant Secretary. Also present were: John Schmidt, Executive Director; Joseph Nolan, P.E., Authority Engineer; Joseph Bagley, Authority Solicitor; and Thomas Hauser, Superintendent. William Evans, Secretary, was absent.

The Chairman called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

No members of the public were present.

**REPORTS OF OFFICERS**

No reports of officers were presented.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

No Committee reports were presented.

**SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT – Thomas Hauser**

Mr. Hauser reported that Plant operations for April were mostly normal. There were high flows on April 16. In one four (4) hour period 20,000,000 GPD passed in and out of the treatment plant. There was an inconsistent ferrous feed which resulted in a monthly average of 1.02 mg/L which just made the required 1.0 mg/L limit.

Precipitation: 5.1 inches

Average Daily Flow: 5.18 MGD

Peak Day Flow: 12.79 MG

Routine maintenance was performed in the Plant as scheduled. Personnel installed a newly fabricated pump mast and a new grit pump in the grit and grease tank. On April 5 the first overnight dryer run was attempted.

In the collection system multiple manhole leaks were fixed and lateral measurements were finalized for the Rolling Ridge force main project. The staff prepared information for the Authority's meeting with SWERP, Inc., a Lower Bucks sewer main rehabilitation contractor.

**EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT – John E. Schmidt**

Mr. Schmidt presented the Deed of Dedication for sanitary sewer main for the Rolling Ridge project. The sewer lines were inspected and Mr. Schmidt advised that two residents outside of the project are waiting to tie into the new sewer main once the Authority accepts dedication.

In response to questions, Mr. Nolan and Mr. Schmidt explained that the lines leaving the homeowner's grinder pump are 1¼", and the lines in the street being offered for dedication are 2" and 3" diameter low pressure force mains. All of the conveyance of sewage in the Rolling

Ridge project is by low pressure force main. In response to a question, Mr. Schmidt explained that the entire Rolling Ridge project is a grinder pump project. There was an extensive discussion among the staff and the Board regarding grinder pumps and their operation.

**MOTION:** It was moved by Mr. Hagey and **SECONDED** by Mr. Nuesch to accept the Deed of Dedication for Rolling Ridge sanitary sewer main and appurtenances. The Motion was unanimously adopted.

Mr. Schmidt reported that the final expenses for the dryer fire were paid. The total amounted to 1.15 million dollars. Mr. Schmidt discussed the breakdown of various costs of the fire including \$240,000 for off-site sludge disposal.

Mr. Schmidt inquired whether there were any changes to the May 8 minutes. No changes were suggested.

Mr. Schmidt reported that the Authority truck will be participating in the Fourth of July Parade.

Mr. Schmidt reported on his contact with the owners of 48 West Hillcrest in regards to a broken sewer lateral. Mr. Schmidt requested additional information both on the phone and in written form. Mr. Schmidt specifically asked for a detail of the bill and evidence of the absence of insurance coverage or home warranty coverage for the costs involved.

In response to a question from the Board, Mr. Schmidt explained that he had received no further information from the fire company regarding the firefighters involved in the May 2017 fire.

**ENGINEER’S REPORT – Joseph Nolan, P.E.**

Mr. Nolan explained that the Phase III work was completed and a punch list was sent out to the contractor. The list includes some equipment that needs to be replaced. Mr. Nolan is working on preparing contract documents for the paving contract. CKS is also working on the Pump Station No. 4 design which should be completed by next week.

**SOLICITOR’S REPORT – Joseph Bagley, Esquire**

Mr. Bagley had nothing to report.

The President called for items for the June 12 Agenda. Mr. Cameron explained that he will not be present for the June 12 meeting. Mr. Nuesch explained that he will be absent for both meetings in June.

**MOTION:** It was moved by Mr. Haun and **SECONDED** by Mr. Hagey to adjourn the meeting. The Motion was unanimously adopted.

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 5:19 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Joseph Bagley, Solicitor  
and Recording Secretary