

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

**BOARD MEETING MINUTES**

**July 24, 2018**

The semi-monthly meeting of the Chalfont-New Britain Township Joint Sewage Authority was held on Tuesday, July 24, 2018, in the Authority's meeting room.

**Present:** Joseph Bonner, Chairman; Donald Cameron, Vice Chairman; Gustave Haun, Treasurer; Timothy Hagey, Assistant Treasurer and William Evans, Secretary. Also present were: John Schmidt, Executive Director; Joseph Nolan, P.E., Authority Engineer; Joseph Bagley, Authority Solicitor; and Thomas Hauser, Superintendent. Lawrence Nuesch, Assistant 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 were considered normal during the month of June. The Authority continues to haul de-watered sludge cake to the composting facility because the dryer is still experiencing operational problems.

Precipitation: 5.7 inches

Average Daily Flow: 4.26 MGD

Peak Day Flow: 6.81 MG

Mr. Hauser reported that process performance was all within limits.

Personnel continued to manually skim the grit and grease chamber because the bridge is still not working in automatic mode. There were repairs performed on glitches in the dryer controls but they appear to be straightened out. There was work on a mechanical issue at the dryer--a problem getting steam out. There was a problem with the silo conveyor controls. A blown fuse was addressed by Authority personnel but when problems persisted BSI was brought in. The No. 2 Pump at the main pump station was brought back on line after experiencing a problem with the VFD. There was general work on office wiring, and emergency lighting.

In the collection system, there were two check valves replaced at Pump Station No. 7. Personnel raised manholes for paving projects. The Vactor truck was detailed for the 4th of July parade. Mains and laterals were televised for infiltration.

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

Mr. Schmidt reported that a newly-hired operator, Jarred Rush, began work last week. A full-time electrician/operator is still needed.

Mr. Schmidt inquired whether there were any changes to the minutes. Mr. Hagey made several changes to the minutes regarding the Engineer's report.

Mr. Schmidt reported that the Authority has once again been invited to bring the Vactor truck to the Fall Festival.

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

Mr. Nolan reported that the paving contract went out to bid. There will be a site meeting with potential bidders. Prior to undertaking the paving work, several areas have been identified by Mr. Hauser and Mr. Schmidt to replace existing pavement with concrete. The locations include the area where the grit and grease dumpster is located, and a small piece of sidewalk. Mr. Nolan designed the concrete pads and requested a price from contractor LB. The Contractor has proposed a change order of \$60,000 which involves demolition work, regrading work, a trench system and metal reinforcement. It is Mr. Nolan's intention that this work take place before the paving begins. The Board asked several questions. There was a consensus reached to allow CKS to proceed to prepare and submit the change order.

Mr. Nolan reported that blacktopping will be undertaken in late August or September. There are currently various cracks in pavement around the plant site.

Mr. Nolan reported that he is working on a report to replace Pump Station No. 4 and the report will be issued shortly. He has undertaken a preliminary design to determine the feasibility of relocating the pump station while still maintaining the flow. The presentation of the report will be put on a future agenda.

After a discussion, there was an agreement that the Facilities Committee will pay a visit to Pump Station No. 4.

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

The Board recessed into Executive Session at approximately 5:15 p.m. to discuss a complaint filed by the Authority today at District Court.

The Board returned to its Regular Section at approximately 5:18 p.m.

**OTHER BUSINESS**

The next meeting of the Board will be August 14, 2018.

**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 5:18 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Joseph Bagley, Solicitor  
and Recording Secretary