

CHALFONT-NEW BRITAIN TOWNSHIP JOINT SEWAGE AUTHORITY

BOARD MEETING MINUTES

August 27, 2013

The semi-monthly meeting of the Chalfont-New Britain Township Joint Sewage Authority was held on Tuesday, August 27, 2013, in the Authority's meeting room.

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

The Chairman called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

PUBLIC COMMENT

No members of the public were present.

REPORTS OF OFFICERS

There were no reports from officers.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

There were no Committee reports presented.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT – Thomas Hauser

Mr. Hauser reported that the treatment plant operations were improved in comparison to the month of June. Work on the silo continued as well as the system contractors with the Phase II construction.

Precipitation: 4.65 inches
Average daily flow: 3.85 MGD
Peak day flow: 6.99 MG

Suspended solids were high but within limits. The geometric mean for fecal coliforms demonstrates that the UV System is working. Plant staff emptied the circular clarifier for inspection. It is hoped to be put back in operation by next week. The plant was required to switch over to the generator for 4 or 5 hours under the PECO off-line program. Authority personnel managed the aerators for C&T while work proceeded on the orbal ditch.

A question was asked about how regularly the electrical generator is exercised. Mr. Hauser responded that it is operated each week, usually on a Tuesday.

A question was asked about where the multi-day televising job for Doli ontractors took place. Mr. Hauser responded that it was in Montgomery County.

A question was asked about the Thomas Controls issue with the main pump station wires. Mr. Hauser reported that Thomas Controls was pulling wires up and laid them on the ground and on a deck. The installation of the wires was fouled because Thomas Controls personnel stepped on the wires. Later, plywood was put down under the wires so as not to touch grating with the

wires. Upon further questioning, it was explained that the wires were low voltage. Mr. Cameron asked if CKS speaks to the contractor about safety. Mr. Schmidt reported that they did “if needed”. Mr. Cameron stated that CKS should sit down with Thomas Controls and let them know that there was a “near miss”.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR’S REPORT – John E. Schmidt

Mr. Schmidt indicated that Chalfont Borough wishes to meet with its representatives at the Borough’s public meeting on September 10.

The PFM proposal for refinancing was distributed to the Board at the meeting. Jamie Schlesinger from PFM will be at the Authority’s September 10 meeting to explain the proposal.

Mr. Schmidt reported that the annual audit is almost complete. The auditor will be present at the September 24 Authority meeting.

In response to a question, Mr. Schmidt stated that he had met with Mr. Jones of BCWSA. Mr. Jones had been provided with the report which breaks down the respective costs between the Authorities for Phases I through III of the Upgrade and Expansion Project. Mr. Jones was informed that it is necessary for the Authority to know if BCWSA has problems with any of the numbers in the report.

The Board recessed into Executive Session at approximately 7:50 p.m. to discuss the potential acquisition of real estate.

The Board returned to its Regular Session at approximately 8:00 p.m.

Mr. Schmidt inquired if there were any suggested revisions to the August 13 meeting minutes. No suggestions were made.

SOLICITOR’S REPORT – Joseph M. Bagley, Esquire

Mr. Bagley had nothing to report.

SEPTEMBER 10 AGENDA

The Chairman reviewed items for the September 10 meeting including the upcoming meeting with the Borough and PFM’s presentation at the meeting.

Mr. Schmidt further reported that roof construction on the digester building is proceeding.

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 8:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Joseph M. Bagley, Solicitor

William T. Evans, Secretary