

Cecil Township Municipal Authority  
Monthly Meeting  
April 4, 2007

The Cecil Township Municipal Authority held its' regular monthly meeting on Wednesday, April 4, 2007 at the Cecil Township Municipal Building. Chairman Donald Gennuso called the meeting to order at 7:30 PM with Stephanie Lucchino, George Elish, Kenneth Heirendt and Blane Volovich present. Also present was Romel Nicholas, Gaitens, Tucceri and Nicholas; W. Scott Rusmiser, Gateway Engineers; Walter O'Shinski P.E. and Dennis Bell, Administrator.

WELCOME TO NEW BOARD MEMBER

Donald Gennuso extended a welcome to Mr. Blane Volovich, a new board member appointed by the Cecil Township Supervisors to fill the vacancy on the Board.

MINUTES OF MARCH 1, 2007

The Board on a unanimous vote on motion by Kenneth Heirendt and second by George Elish approved the minutes of the regular meeting of March 1, 2007.

RESIDENT COMMENTS

Michael Chauvet, 38 Klinger Road Canonsburg PA addressed the board on the Authority's plans for property restoration. He stated that restoration work was due to start on April 1, 2007 but that he has not seen much restoration in his area. He stated that contractors broke his underground electric dog fence twice with no offer to repair the fence. Scott Rusmiser stated that restoration work is weather dependent. He further stated driveway restoration and tree stump removal was started. Donald Gennuso stated that with the spring weather hopefully within 4 to 6 weeks everyone will see improvements to their properties.

Scott Rusmiser stated the contractor prepared a general restoration schedule and that the Elm and Klinger Road areas are scheduled for early restoration work. George Elish suggested the schedule be posted on the website.

DISCUSS LETTER FROM LEEANNE AND STEPHEN HINES – CREEDMORE RD

Mr. Stephen Hines discussed with the Board his requests stated in his March 1, 2007 letter. He thanked the engineers for helping with the well water issue. He stated that rain water runoff continues to be an issue. He stated his request for the Authority to consider purchasing his house due to the proximity of the treatment plant and his concern for odor issues.

Donald Gennuso commented that the Authority would continue to work to solve the water problems. He further stated the purchasing of his property may not be in the interest of the Authority.

## ENGINEER REPORT

### UPDATE ON MILLERS RUN PROJECT

Ed Kuenzig updated the Board on the line contracts. He stated a major gas line was damaged and required the closing of Millers Run Road for a period of time. He stated that both Merante and Sitarik provided him with restoration schedules based on weather conditions. Merante would begin restoration along old Millers Run Road and Creedmore Road. He stated that sixty (60) percent of the pipe has been installed.

Ed Kuenzig stated the contractors would like to work past the current construction hours of 7AM to 6PM. He stated it is customary for workers to work a four (4) ten hour day schedules but in the summer most municipalities extend the hours. Kenneth Heirendt stated perhaps the schedule for the restoration work could be extended even later into the day, as the restoration work is weather dependent. Ed Kuenzig will write a letter to the township requesting consideration for extending the construction work hours.

Kevin Hoffman addressed the Board on construction activities at the treatment plant site. He stated the mine grouting has been completed and testing will be scheduled. He requested the Board authorize Change Order # 1 to GeoMechanics Inc. for the additional grout material required to complete the mine stabilization in accordance with the geotechnical engineer's requirements, recommendations and review. Kevin Hoffman stated that Gateway Engineers, GeoMechanics, Inc. and Walter O'Shinski reviewed and agreed to the requirement for the additional grout material. The change order is for \$64,500.00

The Board on unanimous vote on motion by Kenneth Heirendt and seconded by George Elish authorized payment for Change Order # 1 in the amount of \$64,500.00.

Kevin Hoffman stated Kranick Environmental has requested a fifteen (15) day extension to the contract completion date due to the inclement weather. He suggested the Board take into consideration granting the time extension at the end of the construction period based on status of the construction at that time.

Kevin Hoffman requesting the Board give a conditional approval to Change Order # 2 for constructing a water service line from the PA-American Water Company line to the treatment plant operations building. The amount of the change order will not exceed \$42,901.00.

## PA-AMERICAN WATER COMPANY AGREEMENT - CREEDMORE WATERLINE

The Board on unanimous vote on motion by Stephanie Lucchino and second by Kenneth Heirendt authorized signing of the agreement with PA-American Water Company to extend the public water line on Creedmore Road to the Authority property site at an estimated construction cost of \$162,322.00 with a payment of \$76,858.00 as the Authority's contribution for the water line.

The Board on unanimous vote on motion by Stephanie Lucchino and second by Kenneth Heirendt authorized a conditional approval for Change Order # 2 for the construction of a service line from the PA-American Water Company line to the wastewater treatment plant operations building at a cost not to exceed \$42,901.00 to Kranick Environmental.

## AUTHORIZE SIGNING THE U.S. EPA MBE/WBE UTILIZATION REPORT

The Board on unanimous vote on motion by George Elish and second by Stephanie Lucchino approved the signing of the MBE/WBE utilization report based on information provided by the contractor to the consulting engineer.

Scott Rusmisl advised the Board that Columbia Gas Company would be replacing the gas line along S.R. 50 and that PA-American Water Company would be replacing the waterline on Wilson Avenue and Mawhinney Road during the upcoming summer season. He stated residents should expect delays in the construction areas.

Scott Rusmisl discussed with the Board the letter regarding the paving restoration for the Millers Run project. He stated that in the short term and until the laterals are installed by the residents in the spring of 2008, the trench repaving specifications could be modified by eliminating the wearing course and only placing a 3" binder course. The contractors made an adjustment in the price quoted in the contract and the savings for the modification to the specification would be provided to the township for putting a seal coat application. The amount of the credit is \$139,800.00. Scott Rusmisl stated a change order would be required in the contracts.

The Board on unanimous vote on motion by George Elish and second by Kenneth Heirendt authorized a change order in the paving contract conditioned on the satisfaction by Gateway Engineers that the bonding currently in place will cover the change.

The Board on unanimous vote on motion by Stephanie Lucchino and second by Kenneth Heirendt authorized applying the credit of \$139,800.00 to the township for the shot and chip of the roadway with the understanding that the road areas in the Millers Run project area affected by the project would be repaved by the end of 2009.

## AUTHORIZE MILLERS RUN PROJECT PAYMENT ESTIMATES

The Board on unanimous vote on motion by Kenneth Heirendt and second by George Elish authorized the payments on the following contracts –

Pay Request # 6 to Edward T. Sitarik Contracting Inc. totaling \$113,693.72 for work completed on the interceptor contract.

Pay Request # 6 to Edward T. Sitarik Contracting Inc. totaling \$369,089.13 for work completed on the southeast contract.

Pay Request # 5 to A. Merante Contracting totaling \$197,551.99 for work completed on the north contract.

Pay Request # 4 to Edward T. Sitarik Contracting, Inc. totaling \$131,754.99 for work completed on the southwest contract.

Pay Request # 6 to Kranick Environmental totaling \$157,681.80 for work completed on the treatment plant.

## ACCEPTANCE OF SANITARY SEWER LINES - SOUTHPOINTE II PROJECT

The Board on unanimous vote on motion by Stephanie Lucchino and second by Blane Volovich authorized accepting the sanitary sewers in Southpointe II where the easements have been received and recorded.

## ACCEPTANCE OF SANITARY SEWER LINES – SIMPSON SEWER LINE EXTENSION

Walter O'Shinski stated a restoration issue between the builder/developer and the property owner who provided easement exists. The acceptance of the sewer line is tabled until the property owners resolve the issues.

## MAPLE RIDGE PROJECT – LYNN FOLTZ

Mr. Lynn Foltz addressed the Board on the status of providing treatment through North Strabane. He stated he met with officials of North Strabane Township and the North Strabane Municipal Authority to discuss issues for a sulfide limit and that he received a written guarantee from Siemens on the effectiveness for maintaining the 0.2 milligrams per liter of sulfide. He further stated that the escrow funds have been eliminated in the proposed agreement. He stated that North Strabane removed from the agreement the language related to restrictions in the downstream sanitary lines.

Walter O'Shinski stated that three issues remain regarding the dissolved oxygen, transportation charges and monetary penalty for not meeting the established standards. He stated that the two Authorities must agree to the revised inter-municipal agreement.

Romel Nicholas suggested all action be deferred until the agreement is finalized.

#### CHERRYBROOK NPDES PERMIT RENEWAL APPLICATION

The Board on unanimous vote on motion by George Elish and second by Kenneth Heirendt authorized signing the NPDES Permit Renewal Application for the Cherrybrook STP and the payment of a \$500.00 fee.

#### SOLICITOR REPORT

Romel Nicholas presented his monthly report to the Board. He stated he would have additional comments during the Executive Session.

#### BUSINESS MANAGERS REPORT

#### DISCUSS CHANGE TO RIGHT TO KNOW REQUEST POLICY

The Board on unanimous vote on motion by George Elish and second by Blane Volovich authorized the re-writing of the policy document related to the Right To Know Request Law.

#### DISCUSS FEBRUARY 2007 FINANCIAL REPORT

Dennis Bell discussed the financials for February 2007. The total customers billed were 1845. The user fees billed were \$78,647.24 on usage consumption of 9,330,300 gallons. Collections totaled \$80,791.83. The expenses for February 2007 were \$87,637.81. The extraordinary income on the February 2007 financial statement included interest income of \$368.42 and interest income on the construction funds totaled \$63,345.46. EPA Grant funds received totaled \$604,100.00. Expenses were under budget through February 2007 except in three accounts - treatment charges over budget by \$1,797.59; maintenance and repairs over budget by \$3700.00 and supplies and tools over budget by \$873.34. The income accounts with variances in February 2007 were user fees under budget by \$10,451.54; interest income under budget by \$26,552.11; tap-in fees over budget by \$31,229.15; misc. income over budget by \$400.00.

#### CORRESPONDENCE

George Elish commented on the Observer-Reporter article entitled Millers Run Sewage Project Blamed For Cecil Township 'War Zone'. He stated the article misrepresented the entire project. He stated there are issues when workers do not clean up and leave soda and snuff cans and food containers which require an easy fix.

Kenneth Heirendt commented on a letter received from St. Mary's Church. He suggested the letter be answered providing specific answers to the comments stated in the pastor's letter.

The correspondence was reviewed for filing.

#### PAYING OF EXPENSES/TRANSFER OF FUNDS ETC.

A unanimous vote on motion by George Elish and second by Stephanie Lucchino the Board authorized payment of expenses and transfers as follows.

Brush Run Expense/Transfer MM to Checking  
Teodori Expenses/Transfer MM to Checking  
Southpointe Expenses/Transfer MM to Checking  
CherryBrook Expenses/Transfer MM to Checking  
Gilmore Expenses/ACH Debit and PNC Requisition  
Employee Time Reports/Payroll  
941 E Tax Deposit  
Payment of Invoices  
Discharge Monitoring Reports were approved for submission to the PA DEP

#### COMMENTS FROM THE FLOOR

Dominick Dimatteo stated it was good that the board now has five members and he welcomed Blane Volovich to the board.

#### EXECUTIVE SESSION

The board entered into an executive session at 9:50 PM on motion by Kenneth Heirendt and second by Stephanie Lucchino.

The board discussed an issue regarding certified payrolls as stated in the construction documents. General issues regarding property restoration were discussed in an effort to establish a policy.

Stephanie Lucchino requested a letter be prepared and mailed to Stephen and Leeanne Hines as a follow-up to their letter dated March 1, 2007.

The well water serving Silver Creek nursery needs to be investigated.

The Board returned to the general session at 10:50 PM.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no other business by unanimous vote on motion by George Elish and second by Stephanie Lucchino the meeting was adjourned at 10:52 PM. The next regular meeting is scheduled for Thursday, May 3, 2007 at 7:30 PM.

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Secretary