

**UPPER POTTS GROVE TOWNSHIP
SEWER & WATER COMMITTEE MEETING
JANUARY 23, 2012**

Committee Members in attendance were Chairman John Bealer, Vice Chairman David Crock, Michael HENZES and Ed O'Brien. Jeffrey Nason was absent. Also in attendance were J.R. Kennedy, Charles Garner, Township Solicitor and Jack Layne, Township Manager.

I. Call to Order

Chairman Bealer called the meeting to order at 5:06 P.M.

II. Approval of Minutes [September 26, 2011]

Mr. HENZES moved that the September 26, 2011 meeting minutes be approved as submitted. Chairman Bealer seconded this motion. The motion was approved.

III. Reports

A. Engineer's Report

The Committee reviewed and discussed the Engineer's Report that had been provided by Chris Hannum. His report provided an update on the status of the proposed Corrective Action Plan (CAP) that the Township had submitted to the Borough Authority, a CAP schedule, the Act 537 Implementation Schedule and the status of construction restoration efforts.

It was noted that the Township Public Works Department were making a diligent effort to identify I&I and manhole problems. Mr. Garner stated that the new meters were providing readings on real time, while the old meters were often down and in need of recalibration. Mr. O'Brien added that the old meters never have been reliable. Mr. Garner further stated that last year the meter readings showed no correlation with past years. He added that the Township is attempting to work with the Borough regarding this matter.

IV. Public Comment

There was no public comment.

V. Updates

No updates were provided.

VI. Old Business

A. Review approved 2012 Budget

A copy of the proposed 2012 Sewer Budget was distributed to the Committee.

B. Flow Report – Corrective Action Plan (CAP)

The Flow Report and CAP were discussed in the Engineer's Report

C. Review Act 537 future timelines

The Act 537 future timelines were discussed in the Engineer's Report.

VII. New Business

A. Discussion regarding what the Township pays to the Borough of Pottstown

Following a brief discussion on this matter, Mr. O'Brien recommended that the Township investigate if the Township is paying the Borough Authority for replacement as opposed to new items

B. Bruce Drive public sewer

Mr. Kennedy, who resides at 247 Bruce Drive, inquired as to when public sewer might be provided on his street. The response was January 31, 2021 per the Act 537 Plan unless the Township is able to obtain adequate funding at an earlier date to install public sewer in his area. Chairman Bealer noted that efforts to install public sewer in the Township began in 1993. He further added that the Township had met with the Berks/Mont Municipal Authority in order to expedite efforts to provide public sewer in Mr. Kennedy's area.

VIII. Adjournment

Mr. O'Brien moved that the meeting be adjourned at 5:46 P.M. Vice Chairman Crock seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned.

Submitted by Jack Layne, Township Manager

**The next Sewer & Water Committee meeting is scheduled for 5:00 P.M.
Monday, March 26, 2012**