

The regular meeting of the Upper Pottsgrove Township Sewer & Water Committee meeting was held on Thursday, January 3, 2019 at 6:05 p.m. Committee members in attendance were Chairman John Bealer, Dave Crock and Don Read. Also present was Township Engineer Christopher Pelka.

**Audience of Residents from Regal Oaks Development:** Nancy Baker, Tracey Weber, Marcela & Ovideo Benavidez, Rob Maurer, Carol & Robert Miller, Matt & Ruth Santangelo, Gene Lennox, Dan Yearly, Sharon Malone, Michele & Chris Birch, Joshua & Ashley Moyer and Bradley & Jacqueline Madsen.

**Connor & Faye Read, 610 Mock Road,** were also in attendance.

**PUBLIC COMMENT** – There was no public comment.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES** – Motion by D. Crock second by D Read and unanimously carried to approve the minutes of December 4, 2018 as presented.

**ENGINEER’S REPORT** – C. Pelka presented the engineer’s report.

Flow Reports – Limit is 608,600 gpd. November flow was 613,554. Inform PBA of overage and contest numbers from Poplar?

Poplar Meter – PBA was notified of sag in February 2018. PBA was reminded of sag at 11/15/18 Pottsgrove’s Meeting.

Regal Oaks PS and Pine Ford PS – Currently no method to measure flows outside of run time at max gpm. Authorization given in June to purchase volumetric flowmeter software at \$1500 each. Product is no longer available. Latest quote is for \$4422 each. John Laidley now recommends a mag meter.

Sprogel’s Run (Mingey/Keystone development) – Punch list items still remain.

DVDC Development (old Crossroads) – Punch list items still remain.

2018 CFA Small Sewer and Water Grant Program – Survey of Gilbertsville Road completed. Need sewer easements, HOP permit, and property disturbance permission. Advertise anyway?

MH Repairs – Mr. Rehab provided same quote as first time – \$400/hr (min 4 hours). Only 2 MHs currently identified with problems. Smoke testing schedule?

84 Maple Leaf – Video of main indicates I/I from lateral. No cleanout is visible/evident, so location of water source not determined. If water source is within 10’ of curb, it is UPT’s responsibility, otherwise it is property owner’s.

709 Evans Road – Received plans; will review tomorrow. Connection via grinder pump.

Douglas Township Capacity Request – Not recommended for multiple reasons.

1. Preliminary review of proposed plan shows gravity flow into UPT – will not work. Only possible configuration would require replacement of UPT’s low pressure line to east of Farmington on Evans and potential Evans Road PS upgrade.

2. Request references UPT's max monthly flow of 382,000 gpd in 2017. 2018's max monthly flow was 613,554 gpd.

UPT's Connection Management Plan (August 2008) derived the 776,000 gpd ultimate build-out capacity needed and thus the current allocation at the WWTP. Some developments could be removed.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

**COMMITTEE REVIEW OF REQUEST FOR TIME EXTENSION TO COMPLETE SANITARY SEWER CONNECTION AT 2038 MIMOSA LANE** – Committee recommends final connection be required by October 31<sup>st</sup> of 2019.

**DOUGLASS TOWNSHIP REQUEST FOR SEWER CAPACITY PURCHASE FROM UPPER POTTS GROVE ALLOCATION** – Committee does not recommend sale of Upper Pottsgrove's purchased capacity at Pottstown Treatment Plant at this time.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

**REGAK OAKS PHASE IIA SEWER PROJECT** – Several residents raised questions concerning connection of their respective properties to public sanitary sewer:

- a. Asking for waiver of \$50.00 application fee and also waiver of \$79.00 inspection fee. Sewer Committee will communicate this request to Board of Commissioners for decision.
- b. Request for documentation from Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection requiring connection of properties in Regal Oaks.
- c. Asking Upper Pottsgrove Township to investigate possible grant funding or financial help to property owners to offset connection fees to connection to public sewer service.
- d. Questioning the possibility of receiving public water service to Regal Oaks Development.

Chairman Bealer stated the township would investigate their requests. The township may be able to email information to them as it becomes available.

**Connor Read, 610 Mock Road**, presented the Committee with information on his Aerial Drone Photography services.

**BOARD COMMENTS** – None to note.

**ADJOURNMENT** – The Committee adjourned the meeting at 7:30 p.m. by unanimous consent of those present.

Respectfully Submitted,

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John Bealer, Chairman, Sewer & Water Committee