

The regular meeting of the Upper Pottsgrove Township Sewer & Water Committee meeting was held on Tuesday, May 1, 2018 at 6:00 p.m. Committee members in attendance were Chairman John Bealer and Don Read, Township Manager Carol R. Lewis and Township Engineer Christopher Pelka.

**Pledge of Allegiance** – Those in attendance pledged allegiance to the flag.

**Public Comment** – Robert Smale, 2249 Bruce Drive, was present to question when sewer would be available to Bruce Drive. C. Lewis advised she would see if we have an electronic copy of the Act 537 schedule for sewer and forward him a copy. Otherwise, she advised Mr. Smale that he could stop by the township office and look at it. Mr. Smale also expressed concern about the site distance problem at the intersection of Bruce Drive and Moyer Road. C. Lewis agreed to speak with Chief of Police to see if their department would be some speed detail in this area.

**Approval of Minutes** – Motion by D. Read second by J. Bealer and unanimously carried to approve the minutes of April 3, 2018. The minutes of March 6, 2018 were tabled.

**Engineer's Report** – C. Pelka presented the engineer's report.

**Flow Report** – Flows have been OK – March was 471,804 gpd. Limit is 602,600. 20 EDUs to be purchased soon changing limit to 608,600. Those present discussed the BCM report. It was noted that 4 roads are scheduled for sanitary sewer installation for 2021.

**Poplar Meter** – PBA was notified in February that there is a problem on their end. C. Lewis agreed to raise the concern at the next joint sewer meeting.

**Regal Oaks and Pine Ford Pump Stations** – Currently no method to measure flows outside of run time at max gpm. ROPS cannot use an SD Card; therefore, more extensive upgrade would be necessary. John Laidly to provide estimate which we are still waiting for.

**Regal Oaks I&I** – Mr. Rehab has been contacted – waiting for return call to schedule one (1) day worth of work (4 manholes). C. Pelka will get this scheduled as soon as possible.

**Sprogel's Run (Mingey development)** – Testing of sewer lines and manholes has been mostly completed. The sewer lateral for the farmette will be installed after successful testing. Phase 1 sanitary sewer installation has been completed.

**DVDC Development (old Crossroads)** – Sanitary sewer installed and connected to existing sewer. Air test failed between MH 3 and 4 (existing).

**2018 Small Sewer and Water Grant** – Application submitted. Announcements expected at May 22 CFS Board Meeting.

**89 W. Moyer Road** – Dedication of Sprogel's offsite sanitary sewer necessary to connect to. Property is 3 houses from Gilbertsville Road – most of the length of the Ming/Moyer Project. It was noted that grinder pumps would be required for everyone in this area. Those present discussed the Act 537 Plan schedule and DEP. Manhole 6 was installed deep enough to go by gravity. It was noted we would need to get dedication, and they would ask for compensation. Some on the back of Ming Drive would need grinder pumps regardless. The construction standards would not differ. D. Reed advised that we would need to standardize the response given to residents in this area regarding public sewer service. He also advised that the Board of Commissioners need to know that the needs in this area are for sewer. C. Pelka advised that a comprehensive study was done in 2008/09. He further advised this is similar to the request for sewer to 1925 Farmington Avenue where the **89**

**W. Moyer Road (cont.d.)** - project would be too expensive per connection for those few homes. D. Reed questioned whether we would request sewer service from New Hanover for the homes on Mock Road. C. Lewis noted they were asked but got no response. C. Pelka noted again that sewer would not be close and it would be a very expensive project. J. Bealer questioned if we have any idea of cost to do Ming Drive/Moyer Road with grinder pumps. C. Pelka advised that it would be \$200,000 for grinder pumps and around and probably around \$500,000 for project. It was suggested that another round of grants would be helpful. It was suggested doing a cost analysis of rates to determine if we would need to be borrowing. J. Bealer questioned purchase capacity. C. Pelka advised that we have already purchased; however, flows will go up. We could discuss extra contributions from residents to bump up the schedule. D. Reed asked if there were ways to help homeowners finance costs, and C. Lewis advised there is a State program. Information will be available in the near future.

**Board Comment** – D. Reed questioned if there were additional costs for the dryer, and it was noted that the cost increased by 1.2 million.

C. Pelka advised that Exeter is selling their sewer system to PA America Water. They stopped taking sludge but PA America Water may reinstitute.

**Adjournment** – The Board adjourned the meeting at 6:51 p.m. by unanimous consent of those present.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Carol R. Lewis, Manager/Treasurer