

The regular meeting of the Upper Pottsgrove Township Sewer & Water Committee meeting was held on Tuesday, May 7, 2019 at 6:00 p.m. Committee members in attendance were Chairman John Bealer and Don Read. Also present was Township Engineer Christopher Pelka and Township Manager Michelle Reddick.

PUBLIC COMMENT – There was no public comment.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – Motion by D. Read, second by J Bealer and unanimously carried to approve the minutes of March 5, 2019 as presented.

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

Flow Reports – Limit is 608,600 gpd. February flow was 428,701. March flow was 460,075.

Meter Calibration – All 6 meters checked on April 23, but no adjustments were made.

Poplar Meter – Due to site conditions, neither a 2nd meter nor a velocity meter could be utilized to verify flow. Will review water meter records to look for abnormalities. The downstream sag is scheduled for repair in 2019 by the Borough. Still recommend lateral TV and sump pump inquiry. D. Read questioned if sag downstream can affect flow and C. Pelka said that it would.

Sprogel's Run (Mingey/Keystone development) – Phase 2 sanitary mostly complete.

DVDC Development (old Crossroads) – Only televising needed.

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. Need to contact property owner. D. Read questioned if we could televise and if cleanout was required. C. Pelka said we televised manhole to manhole and cleanout was required.

1676 Gilbertsville Road – Connection via grinder pump to be installed soon.

1560 Gilbertsville Road – 2 Connections via gravity requested.

Regal Oaks IIA – Need sewer easements and property disturbance permission for Gilbertsville Road portion. We also need grinder pump agreements.

OLD BUSINESS

REGAL OAKS PHASE IIA SEWER PROJECT - J. Bealer said letters went out informing residents that Gilbertsville Road was not to be included in the Project but the Board of Commissioners were made to be convinced to include these in the bid.

Cindy Montague, 2161 Hollyberry Court, confirmed she would have not grinder pump.

All the work would be done by the Township for the grinder pump.

Kathy Kitchen, 241 Rose Valley Road, confirmed she needed a grinder pump.

Matt Dailey, 215 Rose Valley Road, is not in favor of grinder pumps.

Michael Dekleva, 209 Rose Valley Road, already has an easement behind his house and asked if he will need an additional easement. The answer was yes.

Chris Dailey, Oaks, PA, asked if the property owners could pay the engineer to look at a gravity line plan. D. Read asked if it would be less expensive to run the line in the back of owner's houses. C. Pelka said that it would be more expensive for the owners for they would have to pay a plumber to do the work.

Michael Dekleva, 209 Rose Valley Road, expressed concern about the on-going costs for grinder pumps.

D. Read said that we are trying to do what is best for all the rate payers.

Matt Dailey, 215 Rose Valley Road, is not opposed to the sewer but does not want to pump into a pressurized main.

Lynn Dekleva, 209 Rose Valley Road, asked what maintenance is typical for a grinder pump. C. Pelka explained that it would need to be cleaned out with a hose once a month. He also explained that it would turn on and off less frequently than a well pump.

Michelle Birch, 173 Rose Valley Road, asked if this has gone out to bid. C. Pelka said that once everything is ready we will send this out to bid and that we are looking at a fall timeframe and the final paving in the spring.

Edward Bell, 185 Rose Valley Road, asked about the paving and the tapping fee. C. Pelka that paving would be an eight-foot wide path; the tapping and connection fee is \$ 5,447.52.

Motion by D. Read, second by J Bealer and unanimously carried to recommend to the Board of Commissioners to authorize the preparation and advertisement for bids for the Regal Oaks Phase IIA Sewer Project.

NEW BUSINESS

REVIEW AGREEMENT OF SMALL FLOW WASTEWATER TREATMENT FACILITY – The Committee agreed to recommend to the Board of Commissioners that they authorize the solicitor to review this agreement.

PFM – SEWER VALUATION – Information was provided to the Sewer and Water Committee.

COMMITTEE COMMENTS – None to note.

ADJOURNMENT – Motion by D. Read, second by J. Bealer and unanimously carried to adjourn the meeting at 7:20 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

John Bealer, Chairman, Sewer & Water Committee