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DICKINSON TOWNSHIP MUNICIPAL AUTHORITY
July 23, 2024

PRESENT:

DOUGLAS CAMPBELL, HAROLD COONEY JR., THOMAS SMITH, NATHAN MERKEL (arrived late) members; Glenn Kelso Jr, Public Works Director, Max Stoner, Engineer, Laci Hockenberry, Receptionist/Asst Secretary/Asst Treasurer

ABSENT: Robert Line III

VISITORS: None

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Thomas Smith called the meeting to order at 5:00 P.M. Those in attendance stated the pledge of allegiance.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

A motion was made by Douglas Campbell and seconded by Harold Cooney and unanimously passed to approve the agenda.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

A motion was made by Douglas Campbell and seconded by Harold Cooney and unanimously passed to approve the January 23, 2024, organization meeting minutes. Thomas Smith abstained.

A motion was made by Douglas Campbell and seconded by Harold Cooney and passed by majority vote to approve the January 23, 2024, regular meeting minutes. Thomas Smith abstained.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT: He believed since we hadn't met in six months it would be best to meet for a meeting.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

The board reviewed the Balance sheets and Profit and Loss Detail Reports for February through July. **A motion was made by Douglas Campbell and seconded Harold Cooney and unanimously passed to approve and ratify the bills containing check numbers 941 through 955.**

The board reviewed the Balance sheet & Profit and Loss Detail Report for July. Harold Cooney noted that one of the residents had not paid the bill. How long do we let the invoice remain open. Asst. Secretary/Treasurer Hockenberry will check with Asst. Manager Bear to see if any additional notice has been sent out and report back.

Thomas Smith motioned to approve the July bills containing check numbers 956 through 960. Douglas Campbell seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

ENGINEERS REPORT: Engineer Stoner explained that they received plans on the Bosniaks Islamic Cultural center located at 648 Alexander Spring Rd. The plan is to add a 2,667 sq ft addition to the back of the existing facility. They are requested to install a 4-inch fire service line and 1 ½ inch domestic line. Public Works Director Kelso explained that the plan went through the Land Development process and was approved by the Board of Supervisors. When designing it they realized that due to the Uniform Construction Code sprinklers would need to be installed so they submitted a request for the upgrade.

Engineer Stoner stated that they had some concerns about the sewer and questioned if the Bosniaks Islamic Cultural center would be adding additional occupancy and if the sand mound could handle additional flows. Public Works Director Kelso explained that there is no plan for them to increase in occupancy at this time. They are currently crowded and would like to provide more space on that basis. During the initial discussion the SEO was ok with the current sand mound since the Bosniaks Islamic Cultural center is not requesting additional flows. If at any point that would change the Sewage Enforcement Officer would be contacted.

Engineer Stoner also addressed the request for a 4-inch fire service line, which they believe is way oversized. The addition of a larger line will require them to put in a separate connection. The increase in size of the domestic line might change them to a more commercial property which will come with an increase in rates. They recommend something like what South Middleton uses and have a bypass around it in case there is a problem. Douglas Campbell questioned what the impact of installing a 4-inch fire service line over a 3-inch would be on the Township? Engineer Stoner explained that it would bring in more money on a quarterly basis. The main impact would be on the Bosniaks spending more than may be necessary. Public Works Director Kelso received an email from the architect during the meeting addressing the concerns presented by JHA Companies. Engineer Stoner explained that if the board is ok with utilizing South Middleton's specifications for an underground vault for a split domestic and fire service system that is what they would recommend proposing for the plan. Public Works Director Kelso will forward the email he received from the architect to JHA Companies to review. Engineer Stoner will review and get back to the board with an update.

Engineer Stoner noted that Glace Associates has merged with JHA Companies, and they are planning to retain all employees from Glace Associates and things seem to be going well.

Public Works Director Kelso questioned the board if there was an issue with the system is there an emergency contractor designated? He explained staff maintains it regularly, but we do not have the capabilities to repair lines if an emergency arises. Chairman Smith stated that he believes we do have a contact in place. Engineer Stoner recommended checking with John Gleim.

Nathan Merkel questioned what the authority is doing for the lead and copper rule that is due in October for the inventory? Public Works Director Kelso explained that staff submitted the plans to our operator Jasper from Susquehanna Environmental. He will follow up with Susquehanna Environmental to be sure everything has been done and report back.

SOLICITOR REPORT: Nothing to Report

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Delegate for the PMCAA

September 15th, through the 18th. They provide education and training for Municipal Authority members. The board opted not to send a delegate at this time.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Act 537 Update

No new updates currently.

ADJOURNMENT: A motion was made by Harold Cooney and seconded by Douglas Campbell and unanimously passed to adjourn the meeting at 5:28 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

July 23, 2024

Laci Hockenberry,
Receptionist/Asst. Secretary/Asst. Treasurer