# The Municipal Authority of the Borough of Lemoyne

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Lemoyne Municipal Authority Regular Business Meeting Minutes – Tuesday July 13, 2021

Present were, John Carroll Chairman, Pete Shuntich Vice Chairman, Will Hesse Treasurer, Steve Spangler Secretary, Dennis McGee Board Member, Bob Oakes Plant Superintendent, Mike Knouse Engineer, Lisa Coyne Solicitor and Borough Council Members Gene Koontz and Sue Yenchko.

- 1. Meeting was called to order at 6:02 pm.
- 2. Approval of minutes, motion and 2<sup>nd</sup>, passed
- 3. Citizens and visitors; Gene: probably two months ago Bob brought a proposal to council to change our ordinances. The change would be, right now the borough is responsible for the lateral line from curb to the main. The house connection comes essentially to the curb line roughly or anything that's in the street is the borough's responsibility. He proposes to change that ordinance to something that's now more commonly where the the property owner is responsible for the entire house connection and the sewer lateral right to the sewer pipe so that they're responsible for repair and maintenance or replacement of the entire lateral from the house to the sewer main in the streets.

Bob explained that it is unknown how many breaks the borough will have to assume repairs for and he did list about 20 other local municipalities who now have ordinances that require the owner to repair the lateral out past the property line, to the sewer main. He said he had one last year and three the year before.

Dennis commented that lateral insurance covers \$8500.00 per occurrence and some home owners' policies cover only to the property line and others cover the entire project.

There was discussion on how this will effect a homeowner who is not expecting a bill for past the property or curb line, out to the sewer main which may run over \$10,000.

Several Authority members voiced an opinion. Gene mentioned that the Sewer Committee will meet tomorrow night at the Borough office, if anyone wanted to be there and voice an opinion.

Sue mentioned that she is just here to see everyone in person and was glad to hear the spirited discussion.

4. Operators Report Bob: We're running good. We are doing well with the changes that we made for nutrient removal. Tomorrow before the sewer meeting we are interviewing a candidate for our open position and hopefully we can get a full staff here for once. There was discussion on the diffusers clogging and replacing them. The last page of your report talks about the digester diffusers continue to clog. We would like to replace with a non clog diffuser. We found that the velocity and the flow isn't enough to keep everything moving through there so it settles earlier than normal. It does settle but a lot of it builds up on top and we had between 6 and 8000 gallons of grit that we had to take out of there that had to be

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solidified and picked out with the pumper truck. Mike said that u we're at that point where your MTV has permit is due December 2nd of this year nfortunately at this point it's an operational issue that requires manpower is probably the simplest solution. I think it would be helpful to get some sort of estimate of what might be involved to correct this problem. A new system is what's required to correct how much of it is geometry based of the tank size and the velocity. There was a way to retrofit it the way the tank is shaped and its oversized you could almost pull the whole equipment out and drop a smaller unit in the same spot

### 5. Engineer's Report

We're at that point where your MTV has permit is due December 2nd of this year. Also need authorization to prepare the NPDS but we also need decisions on the derating essentially. A motion was made to approve the derating of the system, approved.

A motion was made to begin the preliminary design and permitting for UV system at the lower flow rate. Approved

I did not have anything so as far as construction costs that's something you'd want to budget for next year realistically final design and specs and all that would happen next year.

### 6. Treasurer's Report

I report the bank balance at the end of June was one million 100 and \$92,671.99. A motion to receive the treasurers report as submitted, Approved

We had received a contract from Trout CPA. We had done our audits through Greenawalt the company before Trout CPA absorbed Greenawalt so the same people that worked on our audits are now employees of trout so we they sent over contract which I had sent around so I'd like to get an action to approve those contracts. I'm late in the 2019 audit which is why they're doing both we had budgeted 14 \$1000 total for the audits so we're there but their fees are is under our budget so I have they sent two contracts the one to do the annual report of our financial statements which gets sent to the Pennsylvania department community and economic development and the second audit is our summary of financial information which looks at all of our bank accounts and expenses and income so. I would like to make a motion to approve the two audits trial yes that Trout CPA or a total of seven \$13,000 plus expenses. Approved.

#### 8. Payment of Bills

Penn vest \$38,802.22 monocracy valley electric partner Walton compensation AFP number three \$4479.80. IWork which is the management software that Boro uses this was an agreement that we had with the borrower that we would pay for this they have sent their invoice yearly invoice of \$2500. Trout CPA their audit progress payment \$4000. Rettew for general consulting \$878.50 of that a bulk of it was from the grit system analysis and communication. \$3724.23 Clark and Walton pump station \$314.00 and meeting attendance \$154.00 for a total amount \$54,852.75. Motion to approve expenditures. Approved.

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#### 9. Solicitor's Report;

Updated us on the Governor's signing of the changes to the Sunshine Act. More to follow. Motion to move the date to open bids to September 8<sup>th</sup> with John and Pete at the Borough Office. Approved.

We received invoices from a Railroad Management Company that is not responding to requests for information. Invoice numbers from the railroad management company invoice number 442314 and 442313 dated June one with the due date of October 12 2021 has been given to our solicitor.

- 10. New Business
- 11. Old Business
- 12. Executive Session (as needed)
- 13. Adjournment adjourned at 7:35

Respectfully submitted, Steve Spangler Secretary