"The little town that has it all!"

Sewer Committee

Minutes for the Meeting Held on September 17, 2015 at 7:30 PM

1. Call to order

A meeting of the Sewer Committee of the Lemoyne Borough Council was held on Thursday, September 17, 2105 at Lemoyne Borough Hall, 510 Herman Avenue, Lemoyne, PA. Meeting was called to order at 7:48 PM by Chairperson Stacy Gromlich.

2. Roll Call

Committee Member Suzanne Yenchko was present; Dennis McGee was absent. Staff present was Robert Ihlein, Borough Manager, Tim Travitz, Sewer Plant Manager, and Charles Moll, Plant Operator and Karen Unger, Executive Assistant.

3. Public Comments

There were no comments.

4. Review of the minutes from the previous meeting on August 20, 2015

Ms. Yenchko made a motion to approve the minutes from the August 20, 2015 meeting as amended. Motion was seconded and unanimously approved.

- 5. Unfinished Business
 - A. Sewer Fund Budget and Financial Administration
 - 1. Review of Sewer Fund Revenues/Expenditures

Mr. Ihlein distributed a report for review. The report did not show any revenue for the month of August. This will be investigated with Caselle and a corrected report will be resubmitted on September 18, 2015.

2. Report on Accounts Receivable and Delinquent Account Collections/Water Shut Offs

Mr. Ihlein distributed a report of progress for the month of August. There are several large accounts still outstanding. The Borough Solicitor is taking some accounts through tax lien sales.

3. Department Personnel – Verbal Update

There was no report.

B. Sewage Facilities

 Verbal Report on Collection System and Pump Station Operations – Tim Travitz

Regarding sewerage backups, a suggestion was made for a newsletter article to be written describing what to do and who to contact for sewer backups. It was also recommended that residents consider acquiring sewer back up insurance as part of a homeowner's policy. Mr. Travitz gave a verbal report on recent operations. He reported a blockage on the 800 block of Hummel Avenue. During that investigation it was discovered that the new flusher truck was no working properly. The truck has been repaired under warranty. All pump stations are operating properly.

2. Verbal Report on Treatment Plant Upgrade Project – Tim Travitz

Mr. Travitz and Mr. Moll gave verbal reports on current status of the construction. The plant is 98% completed. Third shift can be eliminated shortly; second shift will have to remain for the time being.

3. DEP Review

It was reported that the sewer plant missed a fecal coliform test last month. A fine of %350 was assessed. Mr. Moll has started a new system to keep on top of these tests for going forward.

4. Situation with Dillsburg Excavating and Septic Company

Mr. Ihlein reported that they are catching up with their bills, but monies are still outstanding.

- C. Lemoyne Municipal Authority
 - 1. Verbal report from meeting held on September 8, 2015.

Will Hess received Council's letter about the possible sale/lease of the sewer plant. Will Hesse and Dr. John Judson are looking into this are are looking for Council members to be on a subcommittee. Mr. Ihlein reported that the New Cumberland sewer plant was approached by Pennsylvania American Water Company for possible sale of their plant. There is no actual construction completion date yet. A change order for \$600,000.00 was submitted to the LMA with no backup documentation. This was sent back to the contractor.

6. New Business

510 Herman Avenue, Lemoyne, PA 17043

A. Update Sewer Ordinance – want to required air testing for the new sewer laterals and grease trap clean out requirement – Annville – update from attorney

There was no report from the solicitor at Salzman-Hughes

B. Increase revenue by accepting outside sewerage – goal to add new vendor each month

Mr. Moll stated that Walters Septic Service has doubled their deliveries to the plant.

C. Optional average for sewer bill customer – update from discussion with billing vendor

Mr. Ihlein check with Diversified and there was no report available at this time. There was a request on whether or not the bill could be customized

D. Lowther Street and possible other customers with septic tanks

Mr. Ihlein reported this issue was discussed at the last Lemoyne Municipal Authority meeting. The estimated cost for hook up to a Lowther Street sewer line for each owner would be about \$10,000. Costs to the Borough to install lines would be \$250,000. A right of way would be needed from PennDOT. An additional pump station might also be needed. Will Hesse wanted to know the LMA's responsibility on this matter and he will review the ACT 537 plan.

E. Clarifying the effective date of the new sewer rates

Per Mr. Ihlein and Ms. Gromlich, the projected date will take place on the November 2015 billing cycle.

- F. Mr. Ihlein submitted a report from Artis's sewer facilities planning module.
- 7. Announcements/Next Meeting October 15, 2015 at 7:30PM
- 8. Adjournment

Seeing no further business, Ms. Gromlich motioned to adjourn the meeting at 9:19PM.

Minutes submitted taken by Robert Ihlein, Borough Manager, transcribed Karen Unger, Executive Assistant.