

NORTH EAST TOWNSHIP WATER/SEWER AUTHORITY MEETING
May 28, 2015
9:00 A.M.

Meeting was called to order by Chairman Dave Montgomery at 9:23 a.m. In attendance were Teresa Sculley, Bob Brown, Bill Heald, Julia Gorniak, Attorney Robert Jeffery, Engineer Doug Sceiford, and Deb Miller.

There was no one in attendance from the public.

Chairman Montgomery asked for a motion to approve the minutes from the April 27, 2015 meeting. Bill Heald made the motion to accept the minutes with a second from Bob Brown. All in favor, motion passed.

At this time, Chairman Montgomery asked for a motion to approve bills as presented (see attached). Bill Heald made the motion to approve all bills, with the second from Bob Brown. All in favor, motion passed.

NEW BUSINESS:

Engineer Doug Sceiford is currently working on renewing the Township's Water Allocation Permit application. This allows the purchase of water from North East Borough. The current permit allows for 500,000 gals/day; however, expired in 2010. There is also a drought contingency plan associated with the permit application.

Engineer Sceiford has drafted a letter outlining the recommendation for maximum gallons/day demand over the next 20 year planning and permitting period. The Borough of North East has also remitted a letter, to Engineer Sceiford, informing him of what they are capable of selling on a daily basis.

Once all the details have been addressed, the permit application will be finalized and remitted.

OLD BUSINESS:

Chairman Montgomery stated that he had spoken with Dave Dunbar regarding a request to extend sewer to property, on Chase Road, owned by Mrs. Way. Chairman Montgomery advised Mr. Dunbar of the Board's decision; however, Mr. Dunbar believes that Mrs. Way will not proceed any further.

Chairman Montgomery re-capped the ongoing Greenland Construction restoration issues. The residents along the corner of Route 89 and East Law Road were already serviced by public sewer. The design for the construction of the new sewer consisted of going through these resident's back yards. Restoration has been attempted twice by Greenland Construction; however, unsatisfactorily to the homeowners.

Mr. Jim Moore on S. Washington Street is also experiencing water drainage issues pertaining to the bore drilling that was done.

Engineer Sceiford stated that the Township is holding \$12,000 until the restoration is restored. The hold back is the retainage for Contracts 2 and 4 and while the installation of the contracts is complete the performance aspect of the contract has not been done hence the hold back. The Township and Greenland Construction have been working toward some kind of agreement to rectify this situation. One idea was to hire a local company to do the work. In October 2014, Lawnworks remitted a quote to Engineer Sceiford who in turn sent it to Greenland Construction. The quote came in above \$10,000 and Bob Greenland felt that this was too high.

Mr. Moore spoke with Engineer Sceiford in April regarding his restoration. Engineer Sceiford in turn spoke to Greenland and it was then their intention to come back themselves and do the work; however, couldn't get here for one month to six weeks.

Lawnworks has revised their quote; which came in under \$10,000. This new quote was presented to and accepted by Tim Greenland. Upon Lawnworks given the go ahead to perform the restoration, he indicated that he could not carry this dollar amount to buy all the materials necessary for the job. Engineer Sceiford called Tim Greenland and asked if he could front \$5,000 to Lawnworks. Lawnworks is prepared to start the job next week if he receives the money. Greenland forwarded the money to Lawnworks, but inadvertently sent to the wrong address.

Engineer Sceiford asked the Board if it would be possible to release \$5,000 of the \$12,000 to Greenland upon verification that Lawnworks has received the money plus any other suggestions that the Board feels appropriate.

Julia Gorniak made a motion to send Greenland \$6,000 now, \$4,000 when the work is done or in the event Greenland pre-pays Lawnworks, and hold the \$2,000 until the restoration is growing. Bob Brown made the second. All in favor, motion passed.

With all business addressed, a motion to adjourn was made by Bob Brown with a second from Bill Heald. Meeting was adjourned at 10:01 a.m.