

RICHLAND TOWNSHIP WATER AUTHORITY
MINUTES
August 11, 2016

The meeting was called to order by Ken Mitchell, Chairman, at 7:00 p.m. Other Board members present were Bill Rosson and Zane Stauffer. Chris Vanelli and Bruce Jones were absent. Also present were Tim Arnold, Executive Director/Operator; Steve Shelly, Solicitor; and Tim Gluck. Mark Bahnick, Van Cleef Engineering, did not attend.

MINUTES

Motion **Bill Rosson made a motion to approve the minutes from the meeting on July 14, 2016. Ken Mitchell seconded the motion. All agreed.**

PRESENTATION OF BILLS

Motion **Ken Mitchell made a motion to approve the July bills. Bill Rosson seconded the motion. All agreed.**

The Township treasurer had made some revisions to the financial reports for the second quarter. It appears that spending is on track according to the budgeted amount.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Richlandtown Borough

We continue to visit the pump stations twice a day for chlorine monitoring. Tim has been working on their Lead and Copper Site Plan. Sampling for coliform has been completed this month.

Ahlum Tract

A copy of the Letter of Intent for this project was given to the Board.

Updates on Pump Stations

Walnut Bank Farm: Other than normal daily operations and maintenance, no specific work was done at this station.

Sweetbriar: Other than normal daily operations and maintenance, no specific work was done at this station.

Richland Court: Other than normal daily operations and maintenance, no specific work was done at this station.

Paletown Road well: Other than normal daily operations and maintenance, no specific work was done at this station. Tim will meet with the contractor shortly.

Sampling

The monthly coliform samples were taken in July.

BCWSA/Quakertown Interceptor Project

Quakertown and Bucks County Water & Sewer Authority have agreed to replace some sewer lines in the Borough. The plans show some of these new lines are near our water lines. Tim mentioned that there could be three areas of conflict.

ENGINEER'S REPORT

No report.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT

No report.

OPERATIONS REPORT

Because of the dry weather, more water is being used. The amount each well pumps is adjusted on a regular basis to stay within the docket.

A problem with an impeller was discovered at Walnut Bank Farms. Since this well was running less, Sweetbriar has been running more.

Customer Care Calls:

1. 474 Heller Road – this property had very high use in March. A leak was discovered and had been fixed in April. The June bill was also high. The amount used was the amount between the discovery of the leak and when it was fixed.
2. 2238 Claymont Drive – low pressure. It was determined that the problem was the meter, which was replaced.
3. 1033 Glen Manor Drive – low pressure. It was determined that the problem was internal and the owner was advised to call a plumber. The meter was replaced.
4. 1433 Cobblestone Way – they had black sediment coming out of the tub faucet. There is no water softener. House had been vacant for five years, so Tim A proposed that the sediment was iron/manganese that had crusted in the copper lines.
5. 3112 Dovecote Drive – the meter was making a clicking sound. The meter was replaced and the owner was advised to adjust the PRV.
6. 1126 Creekside Lane - low pressure. It was determined that the problem was the PRV.
7. 2290 Richland Terrace - low pressure. It was determined that the problem was the water softener.
8. 3248 Dovecote Drive – low pressure. The meter was jammed so it was replaced.
9. 1147 Pheasant Run – pressure was high. Owner was advised to get a PRV.
10. 1122 Creekside Lane - low pressure. It was determined that the problem was the PRV. The meter was replaced.
11. 2238 Claymont Drive – after the meter was replaced, the pressure was fine. After they got back from vacation, there was very little water pressure. The owner was advised to replace the PRV.

Motion **Bill Rosson made a motion to adjourn at 7:45 p.m. Ken Mitchell seconded the motion. All agreed.**

Respectfully submitted,
Dianne McLane
Recording Secretary