

RICHLAND TOWNSHIP WATER AUTHORITY
MINUTES
March 10, 2016

The meeting was called to order by Ken Mitchell, Chairman, at 7:00 p.m. Other Board members present were Bill Rosson, Bruce Jones, and Zane Stauffer. Chris Vanelli was 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 **Zane Stauffer made a motion to approve the minutes from the meeting on February 11, 2016. Bill Rosson seconded the motion. All agreed.**

PRESENTATION OF BILLS

Motion **Bruce Jones made a motion to approve the February bills. Bill Rosson seconded the motion. All agreed.**

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Richlandtown Borough

The proposed agreement was sent to Borough Council and their solicitor is reviewing it. The agreement states who is responsible for certain items (ex: if the operator notifies the owner of a problem with the system, and the owner doesn't take any action to fix the problem, the owner is responsible).

Tim A stated that our insurance coverage premium would increase slightly.

Tim A is planning to meet with the secretary and borough council on a regular basis.

Bill suggested that the RTWA document everything pertaining to the Borough.

Tim A said he would report on their activity each month.

Ford Explorer

The truck was sold to East Rockhill Township for \$3,000.00. Richland's public works department was able to use the light bar and radio from the truck.

Updates on Pump Stations

Sweetbriar: a check valve was replaced. Tim is still painting.

There was no work done at the other three stations.

Sampling

The monthly coliform samples were taken in February. January's samples were compliant.

The VOC/SOC samples from Richland Court, taken in February, need to be retested.

Miscellaneous

Tim G worked the following dates plowing and/or salting with the road crew:

- February 9 3:30 am – 7:30 am; 7 pm - 9:30 pm
- February 10 5 am - 7:30 am
- February 15 1 pm - 4 pm; 7 pm – 9:30 pm
- March 4 4:30 am - 7:30 am

Tim A is meeting with Noah Fitzgerald of the DEP tomorrow to discuss our total revised coliform siting plan.

A hydrant was damaged in a hit & run accident.

Meter readings started on March 7.

Pennsylvania Rural Water Association Conference

Tim A and Tim G will be attending this conference from March 29 to April 1. A report on the classes that they attend will be presented at the next meeting.

ENGINEER'S REPORT

No report.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT

No report.

OPERATIONS REPORT

We pumped a bit less water than in January. Usage should start to increase as the weather gets warmer.

Richland Court will be run less due to the chlorine residuals dropping at Sweetbriar and Walnut Bank Farm. These two pump stations need to be run more often.

Customer Care Calls:

1. 1130 Bridle Path Drive – brown water. Tim G received the call, but by the time he arrived at the home, the brown water was gone. He told the owner to call right away if it should happen again.
2. Shelly's – no water. They discovered a frozen pipe. Once it had thawed, the water flow was fine.
3. Shelly's – sulphur smell. Tim A and Tim G flushed the hydrant and visited the business. They explained that the water sits in the line too long, and that they should try to run the water more often.
4. 8 Wagon Wheel Road – leak under the condo. The leak may have been caused by the snow melting and the rain. It is the owner's responsibility.

Motion **Bill Rosson made a motion to adjourn at 7:25 p.m. Bruce Jones seconded the motion. All agreed.**

Respectfully submitted,
Dianne McLane
Recording Secretary