

**MINUTES OF THE HANOVER BOROUGH COUNCIL
WATER & SEWER COMMITTEE MEETING**

February 15, 2017

Chairman Reichart called the meeting of the Hanover Borough Council Water & Sewer Committee to order at 3:00 PM, Wednesday, February 15, 2017 in the Hanover Municipal Building, 44 Frederick Street, Hanover, Pennsylvania.

Attendance: In attendance were Hanover Borough Council Water & Sewer Committee Members Noble, Reichart and Roth; Staff Members Ault, Mayers, Miller, Morningstar, Neiderer, O'Rourke, Sherman, Steckler, Sterner & Thomas; Mehaffey from Gannett Fleming Engineering.

MS4 Update: Mr. Steckler noted that last month the Finance & Personnel Committee began the discussion of the implementation of the MS4 program. By participating in the County's Chesapeake Bay Reduction plan it will save the Borough expenses. It is prudent to move forward with the baseline loading calculations for the permit application. Ms. Morningstar will be meeting with the York County Conservation District and is proposing their Memorandum of Understanding to allow the District to review all Erosion and Sedimentation Control plans from 5,000 SF to 9.99 acres. This effort will assist with the MS4 process.

Proposed Environmental Club: Mr. Mehaffey stated Camp Hill has developed an environmental club that provides various MS4 training seminars for the public which provides credits for the MS4 permit. The cost to the Borough would be minimal and is a good community educational effort. Ms. Morningstar contacted Architect Jill Rohrbaugh, as she has contacts who may be interested in assisting to spearhead the formation of the club. She is currently a member of the Hanover Borough Shade Tree Commission. Other organizations could be tied in within the community such as the Boy Scouts or Friends of Codorus, etc.

Additional Water Sources: Mr. Noble stated that alternate water sources need to be investigated even if Council approves the improvements to Sheppard Myers Dam. Mr. Mehaffey stated that water demand projections exceed the supply available from current water sources during drought conditions. Mr. Mehaffey stated the approval on the DEP 2013 water allocation permit needs to be finalized in order to calculate our allocation and safe yield. DEP does not consider Slagle's Run a reliable water source as it is contingent on the operation of the quarry. Mr. O'Rourke asked Mr. Mehaffey about the previous well-drilling efforts by the Borough to locate potential water sources. The wells were drilled on the north side adjacent the mines and the Conewago Creek. The project was abandoned due to sink holes on the nearby land and in the creek. Mr. O'Rourke questioned the viability of urban aquifers, i.e., the springs below the library and the area on Poplar Street. The Committee discussed developing an agreement with Vulcan Mines

for allocation of the water from Slagle's Run. The Committee discussed the possibility of using our own effluent water, but DEP has rejected this request in the past.

Mr. Noble stated it would be beneficial to connect Kitzmiller to Long Arm.

Mr. Mayers noted that the governor announced that York and Adams counties are now off the Drought Watch; but water levels are still below the average for this time of year.

Temporary Waiver - Larry Spangler, 11 Allegheny Avenue: Finance Director Miller noted this property has water service, but no sewer connection. This property is a business and has a sink with no connection to the sewer. The Committee approved the agreement to be placed on the Council agenda which would waive the connection fee to the sewer system.

NEW BUSINESS:

Chesapeake Bay Watershed Grant: Ms. Morningstar reviewed the Chesapeake Bay Watershed Grant that involves rehabilitation of the stormwater swale along the south side of Eisenhower Drive near Wal-Mart. The property owner, Mr. Monahan is in favor of partnering with The Borough to receive the grant. The continuous deflective separation (CDS) units can be cleaned with equipment on our I & I truck.

Mr. Mehaffey added that this grant covers all costs and would allow the Borough to gain pollution reduction credits toward the requirements of the MS4 permit. A maintenance agreement needs to be in place between the owner, Mr. Monahan and the Borough so that Mr. Monahan could be charged for the Borough to clean the CDS units.

OLD BUSINESS:

Water Treatment Plant Project Update: Mr. Mehaffey stated the contractor, Wickersham has begun work on Phase II.

Wastewater Treatment Plant Update:: Mr. Mehaffey is working with Mr. Mayers to finalize the Industrial Pretreatment Audit Response for EPA, and he is also working on the reevaluation of local limits as required by DEP, and the Chapter 94 Report.

Collection System Update: Mr. Mehaffey is working with Ms. Morningstar to get the information generated by the I & I Crew onto the map. Discussed I & I issues and grease trap inspections of non-residential establishments; Mr. O'Rourke noted an ordinance could be written if necessary to make the grease trap inspections mandatory.

Hanover Borough Commons Storm Sewer Project (see attached plan): The Project is funded by a Community Development Block Grant for the Commons consisting of

Railroad Street, Gail Street and Chestnut Street; there is a sewer line in the alley in need of replacement with a new line installed at an approximate cost of \$10,000.00. The Committee approved same.

Dams - Update: Mr. Roth asked about the status of the Game Commission managing the watershed area. Mr. O'Rourke and Mr. Ault met with representatives from the Game Commission. If the Game Commission manages the area, they will allow hunting and manage wildlife areas. If the land is leased to the Game Commission, they will make improvements as necessary; with no lease they will not pay to install improvements.

Manager O'Rourke also inquired if the County would manage the watershed area as a County park, but has not had a good response.

Mr. Ault pointed out there is still a need for the caretakers to maintain the Borough owned land at the dams.

Chairman Reichart would like to have the Game Commission speak to the Water and Sewer Committee. The next meeting of the Water & Sewer Committee would be Wednesday, May 17th at 3:00 PM.

Commonwealth Financing Agency Grant: Mr. Noble asked for the status of the grant to do the water mainlining and cleaning on Route 94 since PennDOT is planning to pave. The entire paving project is Route 94 from Elm Avenue to Granger Street. An estimate for water mainlining and cleaning was submitted for the area north of the square, as a partial alternative due to high interest from other entities competing to obtain these grant funds. Carlisle Street from Elm Avenue to the Square is scheduled for paving in 2018. The grant awards should be announced in the next few weeks. Mr. Mehaffey stressed the importance of coordination and communication with PennDOT with the water main project.

Public Comment: None was presented.

Adjournment: It was moved by Mr. Noble, seconded by Mr. Roth to adjourn the meeting at 4:35 PM. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,


Dorothy Neiderer
Borough Secretary