

MINUTES
HEALTH & SANITATION COMMITTEE
NOVEMBER 1, 2022

The Penn Township Health and Sanitation Committee convened on Tuesday, November 1, 2022, at 7:36 p.m. following the Finance Committee meeting. Present were Chairman Berlingo, Commissioners Allison, Brown, Elksnis and Heiland. Also present were Township Manager Rodgers, WWTP Superintendent Lank and Township Secretary Sweeney. The following items were discussed:

ANNOUNCEMENTS: There were none.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES: The minutes of the October 4, 2022, Health and Sanitation Committee meeting were approved as submitted.

CITIZEN'S COMMENTS: There were none.

OAK HILL HERSHEY / HEIGHTS SEWER PROJECT: WWTP Superintendent Lank reported both areas are having punch list work done which includes yard restoration and general clean up. The notice to proceed has been issued for the demolition of the house located at 841 Hershey Heights Road, and the pump station construction. The Sewer crew has capped off the water line in preparation of the demolition.

JANET STREET AND BREEZEWOOD DRIVE SEWER PROJECTS: WWTP Superintendent Lank reported the easements are being finalized for both areas. The sewer crew is prepared to start the work associated with the Janet Street station. A list of supplies is being generated for the items need for the Breezewood Drive project. Manager Rodgers reported that she received notice from Attorney Mullin the Township can proceed with the Janet Street project, the appeal process ended last Friday, therefore we have the right-of-way. The right-of-way agreement for the Breezewood Drive was received today, executed, and forwarded to Attorney Mullin to be recorded. Manager Rodgers reported that the Township should be ready to move forward with both projects.

SHREDDING EVENT: WWTP Superintendent Lank reported the shredding event was held on Saturday, October 22, 2022, with 189 vehicles coming through. Commissioners Brown, Elksnis, Berlingo and Heiland were on hand to help with the event. There were three township employees working, one community service person and York County Probation brought a young adult. There was a total of twenty-seven bins filled which weighed approximately 300 pounds each for a total of 4 tons of material. There were no vehicles turned away due to being non-residents of Penn Township. Superintendent Lank asked the Committee's approval for scheduling the next event for April 22, 2023, and if they would like to also hold the annual food drive at this time. The Committee recommended scheduling both events.

OTHER MATTERS: WWTP Superintendent Lank reported the Township's nutrient credits have been verified with DEP. The township has 3,788 nitrogen credits and 1,306 phosphorus credits. He recently received interest to purchase an unknown amount, however with the deadline involved, the sale would have to take place prior to the approval at the next Board of Commissioner meeting on November 21, 2022. After some discussion, the Committee decided to pass on the sale of the credits this year.

WWTP Superintendent Lank reported the fence quote that was previously authorized to pursue is not a costars vendor, therefore it would have to be bid. The lower quote is a vendor previously used by the township and is lower mostly due to not including the electrical work, which the Township employees can do. He was informed that the higher priced quote included heavier duty operators, but it turns out that they are going to be phased out by the manufacturer in a couple of years and be harder to get parts for. The lower quote is a costars member, so no need to go to bid. He asked the Committee how to proceed. The Committee was in favor of moving forward and completing the electrical work in house.

CITIZEN'S QUESTIONS TO THE COMMITTEE: There were several residents in attendance to discuss the Oak Hills/Hershey Heights Sewer installation project. Those with questions included Mr. Bill Bowman, 123 Oak Hill Drive, Ms. Cindy Staley, 865 Hershey Heights Road, Mr. Terry Altland, 2221 Broadway, and Mr. Jack Corriere, 114 Oak Hill Drive.

Mr. Bowman also stated that the streetlamp at the corner of Beaver Creek and Oak Hill Drive that previously had a strobe effect, has been fixed; however, it is now shining very brightly into their home. Manager Rodgers stated that she will have the Township Engineer address the situation.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Donna M. Sweeney,
Township Secretary