

The regular meeting of the Monroe Township Municipal Authority was called to order by Chairperson Sunday. The Pledge of Allegiance was said.

ATTENDANCE

Sue Sunday, Vice Chairperson
Ron Eckerd, Secretary
Bill Beck, Treasurer
Andrew Clancy, Asst. Sec/Treas.

Chris Gleeson, Solicitor
Bill Rudy, Engineer
Karen Lowery, Recording Secretary

PUBLIC COMMENTS – None

AGENDA ADDITION – Ms. Sunday added item C-New Business--Joint meeting with the Board of Supervisors.

MINUTES

On the motion of Mr. Eckerd, and seconded by Mr. Clancy and by unanimous vote of the members it was duly RESOLVED to approve the minutes of the October 17, 2018 regular meeting.

OPERATIONS REPORT

On the motion of Mr. Eckerd, and seconded by Mr. Clancy, and by unanimous vote of the members it was duly RESOLVED to approve the Operations Reports for October.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Mr. Beck said there are a few items with SMTMA that are still up in the air.

On the motion of Mr. Clancy, and seconded by Mr. Eckerd, and by unanimous vote of the members it was duly RESOLVED to approve the Financial Report.

LIEN/DEBT REPORT

Mr. Eckerd questioned account 866. Mr. Gleeson said this is in the Supervisors hands to take action. He added that this may be an item to be discussed at the joint meeting that was mentioned.

Mr. Beck suggested that a policy be developed that once an account reaches \$3,000 to \$5,000 we start an investigation on options. Mr. Gleeson wasn't opposed to the idea. He said since they have taken over the soliciting position they have not been letting accounts get too out of hand.

Mr. Gleeson added that account 139-0 does not have a lot of equity. The homeowner's son recently was in the office and mentioned that they were going to look into getting a loan to pay off the lien.

On the motion of Mr. Clancy, and seconded by Mr. Beck, and by unanimous vote of the members it

was duly RESOLVED to approve the Lien/Debt Report.

CAPACITY REPORT

On the motion of Mr. Beck, and seconded by Mr. Clancy, and by unanimous vote of the members it was duly RESOLVED to accept the Capacity Report.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT

Mr. Gleeson said that he is making progress on lien collections as most are on payment plans. And he tries to check in with the owners if a payment is missed.

On the motion of Mr. Eckerd, and seconded by Mr. Clancy, and by unanimous vote of the members it was duly RESOLVED to accept the Solicitor's report.

ENGINEER'S REPORT

Mr. Rudy provided his engineer report dated November 11, 2018. He also provided a historical chart showing the flows and rain amounts.

Mr. Rudy obtained an updated quote from H.B. McClure with the same specs provided to PSI and the price came in even higher.

Mr. Rudy provided a bid schedule that would give the Authority and Supervisors time to review the bids. The work would start the end of March or early April and be done to meet the deadline for the Blossom Terrace paving.

On the motion of Mr. Clancy, and seconded by Mr. Eckerd, and by unanimous vote of the members it was duly RESOLVED to accept the Engineer's report.

OLD BUSINESS

SOUTHERN DISTRICT I&I – This is a reoccurring item that will be discussed monthly.

SUMP PUMP INSPECTION DISCUSSION

Ms. Sunday would like this to be part of the joint meeting with the Supervisors to plan.

2019 BUDGET DISCUSSION

Ms. Sunday said she attended the meeting. Paying down debt in the Northern district was approved, however the rate reductions were not approved. She added that some of the comments were that a plan needs to be developed for future projects since the northern system is 20+ years old. Save some funds instead of having to borrow in the future. And she mentioned there was no plan to deal with Rebert Acres and 5 to 10 year plans need made for the North and South. She felt that planning can't be done if the information isn't provided.

SANDY GERNATOR SLAB

The Board agreed to table this item. Mr. Clancy suggested refreshing the PSI quote since its a few months old.

NEW BUSINESS

2019 MEETING DATES

On the motion of Mr. Clancy, and seconded by Mr. Eckerd, and by unanimous vote of the members it was duly RESOLVED to approve the 2019 meeting dates as provided.

DANIEL PASCHE EDU REQUEST

On the motion of Mr. Clancy, and seconded by Mr. Eckerd, and by unanimous vote of the members it was duly RESOLVED to approve the single EDU requested for Lot 134 on Kuhn Road.

JOINT MEETING WITH SUPERVISORS

On the motion of Ms. Sunday, and seconded by Mr. Eckerd, and by unanimous vote of the members it was duly RESOLVED to request a joint meeting with the Board of Supervisors after January 1st to discuss issues and future planning.

Ms. Sunday would like to discuss the following items: a lien and debt policy, Account 866 which needs action taken, plan for future areas that may need sewer and the communications to notify the Authority, a 5 to 10 year plan for both districts, and the accumulating money in reserves. She feels a face to face meeting would be best since she is frustrated and would like to know how the Authority is to move forward.

Mr. Eckerd doesn't feel a large amount of money should be put back for future projects because we aren't a bank. He added that there isn't much faith or attention put into recommendations, so why do they exist.

Ms. Sunday added that when she first joined the Authority Board they read reports and went home. Now they understand better how things work and are involved, concerned and discuss issues. The Authority Board works well together and have put a lot in to making things better, but they are not getting the respect they deserve.

Mr. Rudy suggested that the sewer project could be discussed at the joint meeting. Mr. Clancy agreed it would be good to schedule the joint meeting when the project bids can be discussed. This matter could be part of the planning process.

The Board agreed to request the joint meeting for February to also be able to discuss the project.

STAFF COMMENTS

Mr. Eckerd mentioned the Authority magazine that everyone receives and the webinars and classes that are offered. Some of the recent topics would be helpful to the Authority. He feels the solicitor or a Supervisor should be attending. Mr. Beck suggested the township pay for the course and those interested in attending could meet at the township for the webinars.

ADJOURN

The meeting was adjourned at 7:40 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
Karen M. Lowery
Recording Secretary