

# Towanda Municipal Authority

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May 20, 2019

The May meeting of the Towanda Municipal Authority was called to order by Mr. Walsh at 5:00 p.m.

**PRESENT:** Michael Walsh, Paul Sweitzer, Ellen Lacek, Paul DeWitt, Charlotte Sullivan, Carmen Venezia, William Shaw, Abraham Brandt, Robert Williams-WTMA Chairman,

**ABSENT:**

**OTHERS:** Kyle Lane, Manager; Chad Strickland, Superintendent; Coy Goble, the Daily Review

**Visitors:** None

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None

**Minutes:**

The April 15, 2019 meeting minutes were approved as written on a motion made by Ms. Lacek and seconded by Mr. Sweitzer, approved.

**Bills:**

The April bills were approved on a motion made by Mr. Venezia, and seconded by Mr. Shaw, approved.

**Water Project:**

Mr. Lane informed the Board that the Penn Vest settlement date has been moved to June 4<sup>th</sup> due to having to be able to satisfy the appeal period for the eminent domain case.

Stiffler McGraw is wrapping up getting the contract documents, they have obtained all but one; this will not postpone the settlement date.

North Towanda Township Zoning Board approved the height of our tank.

Mr. Lane stated we will be issuing the notice to proceed to the contractors on the 10<sup>th</sup> of June if the settlement is completed on the 4<sup>th</sup>.

**2018 Flood:**

Mr. Lane stated that they visited 6 sites today with FEMA, showing what has been repaired and what needs to be completed. Pump station 9 is the only damage that has currently been submitted to FEMA for reimbursement.

**Spring:**

Mr. Lane explained that he met with Mr. Casselbury, Mr. Cassanave and Mr. Strickland on the application of the Spring to SRBC and went over the scenario of what may or may not happen with the application. They decided to contact the program director he responded back for them to get in contact with him in a month. The Board discussed issues that may arise with the Spring application.

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## **NPDES:**

Stiffler McGraw is working on our NPDES permit for the WWTP.

## **Service Line Replacement Program:**

Mr. Lane submitted a draft of a Service Line Replacement Program to Mr. Pruyne to review.

Mr. DeWitt made a motion to put in place a Service Line Replacement loan program, Ms. Lacek seconded, approved.

Mr. DeWitt asked if we were going to advertise the program, Mr. Lane stated he will put something in the paper similar to the Borough's sidewalk loan program.

## **Ulster Township:**

Mr. Lane stated he has not heard from Ulster Township.

## **Lost Water:**

Mr. Lane stated that the water crew and Mr. Strickland have identified and repaired some water leaks and he can see a significant change in the Scada; we are making progress in fixing our water leaks.

## **Pickup Truck:**

Mr. Lane stated they purchased a new truck for Mr. Tabor; it should be arriving this week. The truck cost approximately \$30,000.00 and we will have to install a lift gate which will cost approximately \$2500.00.

## **Stiffler McGraw:**

Mr. Lane stated we got Towanda Borough GIS mapped through a grant; we need to have the other areas mapped. FEMA even requested coordinates to the damage, which we were unable to provide. Stiffler McGraw stated they can GIS map Towanda Township and Monroe Borough for \$1000.00; Mr. Sweitzer made a motion to have Stiffler McGraw GIS map, Mr. Venezia seconded, approved.

## **Satterlee Hollow:**

Mr. Lane stated we received an extension on our gas lease for the Satterlee Hollow property.

The Board entered executive session at 6:04 p.m. remained in session until 6:19 p.m. in regards to legal matters in regards to Satterlee Hollow property.

## **Resolution 2019-7 Amended:**

Mr. Lane stated we need to revise resolution 2019-5 Rate Resolution we put the proposed rate amounts and Mr. Pruyne had us add the verbiage "" and increased rates for the water system to be implemented at the appropriate time". Mr. Sweitzer made a motion to approve the amended Rate Resolution, seconded by Ms. Lacek, approved.

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## Adjournment

As there was nothing further to discuss, a motion to adjourn was made by Mr. Sweitzer at 6:35 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,  
*April Maynard*  
Recording Secretary