

**Mt. Holly Springs Borough Authority  
200 Harman Street  
Mt. Holly Springs, PA 17065**

**Regular Meeting Minutes  
June 13, 2019**

**CALL TO ORDER**

Authority Chairman Mike Gwozdecki called the June 13, 2019 meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. Authority members stood and recited the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.

**MEMBERS PRESENT**

Mike Gwozdecki, Ed Kendall, Marlin Stoner, Brian Robertson, and Solicitor Mark Allshouse present at 6:34 p.m.

**BOROUGH** Chief/Borough Manager Tom Day and Council President Jim Collins

**MEMBERS ABSENT** Judy Russell, Jim Williams and GHD Representative Nancy Adams

**RECOGNITION OF VISITORS** No visitors

**REVIEW OF REGULAR MEETING MINUTES-MAY 9, 2019**

Brian Robertson made a motion to approve the Authority meeting minutes of May 9, 2019. The motion was seconded by Marlin Stoner. Motion passed.

**BILLS FOR APPROVAL-MAY 2019**

Ed Kendall asked what the baking soda and the three padlocks were used for. In the absence of Jim Williams Mike would discuss the matter with him.

Ed Kendall made a motion to approve payment of the water and sewer bills for May 2019. The motion was seconded by Brian Robertson. Motion passed.

**ENGINEER'S REPORT**

In the absence of Nancy Adams, Mike Gwozdecki read Doug DeClerk Hill Street Tank inspection report as follows: The interior surfaces should not require reconditioning for 7-10 years; the estimated cost for interior reconditioning in 7-10 years is \$200,000 per tank- reconditioning will involve full removal of all coating and reapplication of new coating system; the exterior surfaces should not need reconditioning for 7-10 years with an estimated cost of \$85,000 per tank; the estimated costs does not include engineering, bidding or QA inspection; recommend performing a follow up inspection in 5 years.

## **SOLICITOR'S REPORT** No report

## **OLD BUSINESS**

Tom Day would be talking to Terry Rickert pertaining to the removal of the pipe across Mountain Creek and the submission of his plans for water hook up.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

**Treasurer's Report**-Brain Robertson made a motion to approve the Treasurer's Report for May 2019 as submitted. The motion was seconded by Marlin Stoner. Motion passed.

**Borough Report**-Tom Day reported the financial report was completed and there were no findings.

Mr. Day asked the Authority if there was anything discussed on running the water lines past the Deer Lodge and service the entire Borough. Mr. Day asked if looking for grants could be done. There is one well that caved in on Independence Drive. Mike stated he could email Nancy and see if they have any record of it being investigated and how much it cost to put a budget figure together.

Jim Collins indicated when they redid the water system, it was to redo the existing system and there was never any water across the creek. The one thing that the Authority should look at is having another source of water. It may be financially responsible to find a piece of property in the Borough on the south side of creek to drill another well and maybe a pumping station. Mr. Day indicated there is a 19 acre tract of land that is for sale and is \$225,000 on Maple Street. Mike Gwozdecki will asked Nancy if GHD has anything in there archives on the matter. Mr. Gwozdecki asked Tom if he had time to investigate any grants available.

Mr. Day reported he was contacted by Lisa Daniels who is from DEP who indicated the Borough was selected to test the water for polyfluoralkyl (PFAS). They are chemicals widely used in the making of firefighting foam, textiles, paper and packaging, non-stick cookware and personal care products. The test would be done on June 18<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 a.m. Mr. Day invited all Authority members to the testing.

Ed Kendall reported the manhole on Hill and S. Baltimore has been ratified. Mr. Kendall stated a couple of years ago there was discussion on the manholes around the Borough that were sticking up that should be flush with the road. Mr. Day stated he would discuss the matter with Jim Hoerner.

Mr. Kendall stated he was sent a letter on his meter replacement and does not condone the letter because of the content. The letter stated they tried to contact him on multiple occasions. Mr. Kendall indicated that was not true and should not have been put in the initial letter. Mike Gwozdecki will ask Mr. Williams if the list given to Pat was a list of people that been at least contacted twice. Mr. Day stated he was told they knock on the door and left a note behind with no response. Mr. Allshouse also indicated there was a big difference between a fee may

be assessed against you and a fee will be assessed against you. It was only a persuasive language letter. Mr. Gwozdecki would look into the matter with Mr. Williams.

Mr. Allshouse reported he was at a municipal solicitor's symposium and one thing they brought up was making sure the Borough has a cyber insurance policy because if someone hacks the Authority system and gets names, addresses or personal information the Borough would be liable for it.

Mr. Allshouse reported on MS4 which would affect the Borough before it would the Authority. Under MS4 there are multiple ways in which to collect money. One is a tax and the other is a fee. Mr. Allshouse stated MS4 is a State mandate that the stormwater is as clean when it runs in a stream as it was when it dropped out of the sky. The Borough would eventually start implementing a project that cleans the water before it goes out. The Borough has the right to collect a fee instead of a tax which could be tacked onto the water bills. In other words, the Authority would become the collection agency for the Borough. Mr. Allshouse suggested if the Authority sees MS4 in any article to read it. Mr. Day states another possibility is to run the stormwater through the sewer plant.

## **ADJOURN**

Mike Gwozdecki adjourned the June 14, 2019 Authority meeting at 7:24 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Pat Fisher  
Utility Billing Clerk