

**DALLASTOWN-YOE WATER AUTHORITY
175 E. BROAD STREET
DALLASTOWN, PA 17313
APRIL 11, 2018 – 7:00 PM
MEETING MINUTES**

CALL TO ORDER

The April 11th meeting of the Dallastown-Yoe Water Authority was called to order by Authority Chair, Patricia Myers, followed by the pledge of allegiance.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Patricia Myers
Steve Malesker
Pat Callahan
Susan Sprague
Michael McGonagle

ALSO PRESENT

Connie Stokes – Borough Manager
Peter Ruth – Stock & Leader – Solicitor
Chad Kehew – Holley & Assoc. – Engineer
Joe Joines – Borough Maintenance

VISITORS

Dave Hagan – Double Dog
Brian Edwards – 481 N. Pleasant Ave, Dallastown

ACTION ON THE 3/14/18 MEETING MINUTES

Motion: Mr. Callahan moved and was seconded by Mr. Malesker to approve the 3/14/18 meeting minutes as presented.

Motion carried 5-0.

VISITORS/PUBLIC COMMENT

- Brian Edwards of 481 N. Pleasant Avenue disagreed with the required upgrades. He understands that a backflow preventer is required by EPA but feels the homeowner should not be responsible for paying for it, due to its purpose of protecting the public service water. He thinks the Authority should have done something more cost effective when changing out the meters to include a backflow preventer. Ms. Stokes explained that the metering system that the Authority chose is more efficient and can be read from the vehicle by a computer. That function required this type of meter and everyone has the same. Attorney Ruth stated that the meters with the backflow preventer included are much more expensive and if the Authority would have chosen such a meter they could have required the homeowner to pay for the meter instead of the Authority taking care of the cost. Mr. Edwards then asked what he pays for with his water bill and Attorney Ruth told him he pays for his water provision and supply. Enough is collected to maintain the current infrastructure, maintenance for on-going projects and the purchase of water from Red Lion. Mr. Edwards was also concerned with the length of time (30 days) that he was given to have the work done. He stated that he has been in contact with the plumber, but getting the work done in that period of time is going to be difficult. He was told that as long as the Authority knows that he is in the process of working on getting the upgrades done, it can go over the 30 day time frame.

- Dave Hagen of Double Dog received approval this afternoon on the 3.65 frequency from ComSearch. As it turns out, his equipment was in the middle of 14 stations in this area, not 3 as originally thought. There are three owners of these 14 stations. Everything was approved and cleared and the next step will be to send letters to these stations in order to broadcast on that frequency. It will most likely take a few weeks for the letters to come back, and once that's done, the installation can be started. The equipment has already been ordered.

ENGINEER'S REPORT

- Continuing to progress on the tapping fee. Joe Joines helped Mr. Kehew today with the inventory of the system and answered a list of questions he had. They also looked at the interconnect points and the water tanks/pads in order to update him on the system and enable him to price out that sort of thing. Made quite a bit of progress today.
- Mr. Kehew, Mr. Malesker & Mr. Joines met with a tank maintenance company from Lancaster called I.K. Stoltzfus at the tanks today. They had a drone that was hooked up to a computer and was able to scan the tanks, taking picture as needed with a click of the computer. They seem very thorough, knowledgeable and experienced with tanks, as far as issues and maintenance. They actually had suggestions for some of the issues that the Authority is experiencing with the tanks. Mr. Malesker stated that just speaking with them made him feel like they would provide a better level of service than the Authority is receiving currently. Ms. Stokes said they will be coming back to the Authority with ideas on Denton & Park Street. They will also be sending rates to the Authority for review. York Water had recommended them plus they had brought along photos and examples of work they had done.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT

- Attorney Ruth had no action items.
- There was no update on the Emergency Connection Agreement as of this time.

MANAGER'S REPORT

- Tank Level Report
- Master Meter Reads

OTHER BUSINESS TO COME BEFORE THE AUTHORITY

There was no new business to come before the Authority.

APPROVAL OF BILLS

Motion: Mr. Callahan moved and was seconded by Mr. McGonagle to approve the bills as presented.

Motion carried 5-0.

APPROVAL OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Motion: Mr. McGonagle moved and was seconded by Mr. Malesker to approve the financial statements as presented.

Motion carried 5-0.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion: Mr. Malesker moved and was seconded by Mr. Callahan to adjourn the meeting.

Motion carried 5-0.

Respectfully Submitted,

Susan Wertz