

**DALLASTOWN-YOE WATER AUTHORITY
175 E. BROAD STREET
DALLASTOWN, PA 17313
JULY 9, 2014 – 7:00 PM
MEETING MINUTES**

CALL TO ORDER

The July 9th meeting of the Dallastown-Yoe Water Authority was called to order by Authority Chairman, Arthur Wertz, followed by the pledge of allegiance.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Arthur Wertz
Patricia Myers
Steve Malesker
Tana Bentzel
Patrick Callahan

ALSO PRESENT

Connie Stokes – Borough Manager
Dennis Sarpen – Holley & Associates - Engineer
Joe Joines - Maintenance

ABSENT

David Jones – Stock & Leader – Solicitor

ACTION ON THE 6/11/14 MEETING MINUTES

Motion: Ms. Bentzel moved and was seconded by Mr. Callahan to approve the 6/11/14 meeting minutes as presented.

Motion carried 5-0.

VISITORS

- Petru Stefan Bruciu – 90 W. Main Street, Apt. B – On June 20th, he paid over \$100.00 for his quarterly water bill. This was quite a bit higher than his normal quarterly bill. He spoke to the office staff concerning the high usage and maintenance was sent out to re-read the meter and check for any leaks. The re-reading was in line with the quarterly reading and they could find no evidence of leaks. He again spoke to the office staff who stated they were not able to adjust the billed amount and he was referred to the DYWA. He was told that the previous reading in February was estimated due to inclement weather and was most likely underestimated. The Authority also told him that the meter will be re-read, his prior history & records will be reviewed and it will be discussed again at next month’s meeting.
- George Holtzapple – 255 S. Pleasant Avenue – Mr. Holtzapple also had a complaint concerning high usage. Maintenance checked his meter twice and a meter reading was obtained each time. Mr. Joines stated that everything seemed to be functioning properly. The Authority ordered the meter be removed and sent for testing. They want every step in the process to be exhausted before making a decision. Findings will be reported at the August Water Authority meeting.
- Joe Groff – 116 Jonathan Way – Mr. Groff wanted to speak to the Authority concerning water quality. He told them he has been having problems with water quality off and on for quite a while. He had a video which he showed the Authority. He said he has to clean out his hot water heater every so often due to sludge which gathers on the bottom and a new faucet which was just recently put in their kitchen was destroyed per his plumber. He also stated that he spoke to the supervisor at the filter plant in Red Lion concerning the water quality and was told that Dallastown is incompetent and there is a battle for water rights. Mr. Wertz explained that DYWA does not treat the water and that treated bulk water is purchased from RLMA. The Authority asked Mr. Groff to forward the video to Ms. Stokes and bring a

sample from the hot water heater to the Borough Office prior to the joint meeting with Red Lion which is scheduled for July 23rd. Maintenance will also make arrangements to change out the meter at his home.

ENGINEER'S REPORT – Nothing new to report.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT – Absent

MANAGER'S REPORT

- Both vaults were installed at Fern & Broad. Met-Ed is holding up the process in running electric and no timeline has been given. Bluewater is installing the inserta valves.
- Keystone is scheduled to work on the valve at Sheetz early next week.
- There is a hearing scheduled at the District Justice Office for Amie Cole of 15 E. Broad Street for theft of services.
- The SCADA system is in need of an upgrade and the Keystone Engineering Group has provided a proposal. The proposal is for equipment, software, professional services and a 3 year warranty. The equipment includes an external modem and a complete HP workstation PC. The proposed cost for the upgrade is \$14,300.00.

Motion: Mr. Malesker moved and was seconded by Ms. Myers to approve the SCADA upgrade through Keystone Engineering Group at a cost of \$14,300.00.

Motion carried 5-0.

- The valves are in on S. Franklin Street and the new service is installed, however there is still work to do on the main next week with York Township.
- Nothing more has been heard from Mrs. Harnish at 83 E. King St concerning her high bill.
- There were 3 homes on Harvest Drive that experienced water damage due to blown water meters caused by a water leak at the corner of Oak & Walnut. The resident at 613 Harvest Drive asked if the Authority would cover their \$1,000.00 deductible. The Authority's insurance company refused to cover the damage, therefore Ms. Stokes feels that the Authority should pay the deductible.

Motion: Ms. Myers moved and was seconded by Mr. Malesker to either credit the water account or reimburse the \$1,000.00 deductible.

Motion carried 5-0.

- The Authority was invited to an Open House at the Cabin Creek Reservoir by the Red Lion Municipal Authority and Source Water Protection Committee on Saturday, July 26th from 10:00 am to noon.
- A wash down of the old Park Street tank was done 2 weeks ago and the new tank will be washed down in 2 weeks.
- The joint meeting between DYWA & RLMA is scheduled for Wednesday, July 23rd at 6:00 pm at the Dallastown Borough Office.

OTHER BUSINESS TO COME TO THE ATTENTION OF THE AUTHORITY – N/A

APPROVAL OF BILLS

Motion: Mr. Malesker moved and was seconded by Ms. Myers to approve the bills as presented.

Motion carried 5-0.

APPROVAL OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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

Motion carried 5-0.

ADJOURNMENT

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

Motion carried 5-0. 7:55 PM

Respectfully Submitted,

Susan A. Wertz