

**Dallastown-Yoe Water Authority**  
**175 E. Broad Street**  
**Dallastown, PA 17313**  
**March 13, 2013 – 7:00 PM**

**CALL TO ORDER**

The March 13<sup>th</sup> 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 – Chairman  
Steve Malesker  
Eric Stambaugh  
Tana Bentzel

**ABSENT**

Patricia Myers – Vice President

**ALSO PRESENT**

David Jones – Stock & Leader - Solicitor  
Dennis Sarpen – Holley & Assoc. - Engineer  
Connie Stokes – Borough Manager  
Nate Taggart – Acting Borough Manager  
Chris Stokes - Maintenance

**ACTION ON THE 2/13/13 MEETING MINUTES**

**Motion:** Mr. Malesker moved and was seconded by Ms. Bentzel to approve the 2/13/13 meeting minutes as presented.

**Motion carried 4-0.**

**VISITORS**

Samuel Lee - Jacobs /AT&T – 200 N. Warner Rd., King of Prussia, PA  
Karen Hoyt-Stewart – 301 S. Walnut St., Dallastown, PA  
Andy Miller – RLMA Solicitor – 139 E. Philadelphia St., York, PA  
Keith Kahwajy – RLMA – Red Lion, PA  
Edwin Queitzsch – 619 Green Meadows Dr., Dallastown, PA

- Samuel Lee, representative from AT&T, asked DYWA’s consent to change 6 antennas on the Park Street tank. They are replacing 6 old ones with 6 new ones. The information was reviewed by Mr. Taggart and Ms. Stokes prior to the meeting and appears satisfactory.

**Motion:** Mr. Malesker moved and was seconded by Mr. Stambaugh to approve the 6 antenna change out by AT&T at the Park Street tank, based on Mr. Taggart’s and Ms. Stokes’ review.

**Motion carried 4-0.**

- Edwin Queitzsch previously lived in the Orchard Glen Apartment Complex at 282 W. Walnut Street in Yoe, renting from Village Realty. He had been living there for 10 years, but over the last 2 years there were high water bill issues. He went from \$20 bills to a \$500 bill. He kept paying the bills, going to the landlord to discuss; they would send out a maintenance man to check it and would tell him to wait to see what the next quarter looks like. This process was on going until finally he didn’t pay the bill and his water was shut off. The meter was changed out in October 2012 and the bill immediately went down from \$200 to \$40. Mr. Queitzsch stated that it was obvious to him that the meter was bad. However,

he was told that the meter was tested and that it was working properly. Somewhere there was an issue, either the meter was bad or there was a leak that the maintenance man repaired and didn't report. He also felt that his readings were estimated after he received the large bill, but was told by the Authority that the meters are read every quarter. Mr. Queitzsch would like to see where he stands and who was at fault. Mr. Wertz told him that the Authority will go thru the records in order to make some kind of judgment at the next meeting in April. Mr. Queitzsch asked for their findings in writing.

- Karen Hoyt-Stewart, who is a Borough Councilwoman, also wanted to discuss a high usage bill that a resident had spoken to her about. The Authority will go thru those records also in order to make a judgment by the April meeting.

**\*\*EXECUTIVE SESSION\*\***

**(7:16-7:42 PM)**

- Attorney Andy Miller and Keith Kahwajy were present from Red Lion Municipal Authority to discuss the water agreement draft. Attorney Jones and the Authority went thru the draft that RLMA submitted. Attorney Jones also conferred with Joe Joines concerning the pressure issue and it's workable and makes sense. Term still needs to be discussed, but Attorney Jones feels it is something that can be worked thru. The main issue is the water quality. RLMA only wants objective standards, but DYWA also wants subjective standards as far as taste, odor & color in addition to the objective standards. DYWA would like the ability to walk away unilaterally if RLMA does not meet those standards. Attorney Jones suggested that the subjective standards be put in the agreement, but if an issue arises, it would go before a panel of 3 experts. The 3 experts would be chosen as an arbitration panel: 1 by RLMA, 1 by DYWA and 1 by both. Before it gets to that point, RLMA would have a chance to address the issue and correct the problem. Dallastown is not holding the existing plant to these standards, only the new plant. DYWA was also willing to add that there would need to be issues at least 3 separate times before DYWA would be able to walk away. Attorney Miller thought that was more acceptable. Exact wording would need to be worked out. Attorney Jones told them that DYWA would be willing to work on term if RLMA is willing to work on standards. Attorney Jones will make the changes that were discussed and get it to Attorney Miller in time for him to take the draft to RLMA for their review and comments at their next meeting.

**ENGINEER'S REPORT**

- Mr. Sarpen has been working on the tapping fee. The fee cannot include anything that was paid by others, so he had to review all the information on past approved plans. He did not find anything that he could not use. He also took into consideration cost information on some materials that were purchased plus a recent bid for installation materials. All this information is used in the fee calculation. He handed out information to all Authority members showing his progress. He still needs the capacity of the system, how many EDU's and people served, plus he needs some clarification on some of the costs to determine whether or not they can be included. These items also enter into the tapping fee.

**SOLICITOR'S REPORT**

- The only thing Attorney Jones had to discuss was concerning the Agreement with Red Lion Municipal Authority which was already discussed earlier in the meeting.

**MANAGER'S REPORT**

- An update was given on the security for the front office. The Borough Council has already approved the installation of the camera, safe and panic button. Council asked if DYWA would be willing to contribute to the cost of the glass & wall. The material used to enforce the wall is still up for debate.

**Motion:** Mr. Malesker moved and was seconded by Mr. Stambaugh to work with Council on the installation of the security glass & wall, paying ½ of the cost.

**Motion carried 4-0.**

- There were some problems with the Kinsley bill for the work they did on George Street near the square in Yoe. The problems were with the time it took to complete the work and the amount of laborers they had on the job. Kinsley was open to doing some adjustments to the bill. Update to follow.
- Tank Level Report
- Master Meter Reads
- Maintenance Log

**OTHER BUSINESS TO COME TO THE ATTENTION OF THE AUTHORITY** - N/A

**APPROVAL OF BILLS**

**Motion:** Mr. Stambaugh moved and was seconded by Ms. Bentzel to approve the bills as presented.

**Motion carried 4-0.**

**APPROVAL OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

**Motion:** Mr. Stambaugh moved and was seconded by Mr. Malesker to approve the Financial Statement as presented.

**Motion carried 4-0.**

**ADJOURNMENT**

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

**Motion carried 4-0.      8:37 PM**

Respectfully Submitted,

Susan A. Wertz