

The regular meeting of the Pennsville Sewerage Authority was held virtually and called to order by Chairman Bernard Sennstrom, II, at 6:30 p.m. on Thursday, March 11, 2021. Chairman Sennstrom read the Open Public Meetings Act Statement.

Authority members present in addition to Chairman Bernard Sennstrom, II, were Mary Lou Chollis, Scott Hourigan, William Masten, and Robert McDade. Other attendees included Alternate Member John Smith, Alternate Member Dan Neu, ETS Project Manager Tom Gant, Authority Solicitor Walter Ray, Authority Engineer David Palgutta, and Authority Clerk Kimberly Lockwood.

Chairman Sennstrom asked the Board if they had reviewed the monthly budget report.

**Resolution No. 21-35-SA APPROVING PAYMENT OF BILLS PROPERLY AUDITED**

Member McDade moved for adoption of Resolution No. 21-35-SA and Member Chollis seconded. Roll call vote as follows: Chollis – yes; Hourigan – yes; McDade – yes; Sennstrom – yes; Smith – yes. Resolution No. 21-35-SA is approved.

**Resolution No. 21-36-SA APPROVING MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE PENNSVILLE SEWERAGE AUTHORITY WHICH TOOK PLACE ON FEBRUARY 11, 2021**

Member McDade moved for adoption of Resolution No. 21-36-SA and Member Chollis seconded. Roll call vote as follows: Chollis – yes; Hourigan – yes; Masten – yes; McDade – yes; Sennstrom – yes. Resolution No. 21-36-SA is approved.

**Resolution No. 21-37-SA APPROVING A ONE YEAR EXTENSION OF THE AUTHORITY'S CONTRACT WITH STANDARD PIPE SERVICES WITH A COST OF THE EXTENDED CONTRACT NOT TO EXCEED \$250,000**

Member McDade moved for adoption of Resolution No. 21-37-SA and Member Chollis seconded. Roll call vote as follows: Chollis – yes; Hourigan – yes; Masten – yes; McDade – yes; Sennstrom – yes. Resolution No. 21-37-SA is approved.

**Resolution No. 21-38-SA AUTHORIZING THE AUTHORITY CLERK TO ADJUST RECORDS TO REFLECT (DELETE) INTEREST CHARGES IN NOMINAL AMOUNTS OF 119 ACCOUNTS WHICH INTEREST RESULTED FROM A COMPUTER SOFTWARE ERROR**

Member McDade moved for adoption of Resolution No. 21-38-SA and Member Chollis seconded. Roll call vote as follows: Chollis – yes; Hourigan – yes; Masten – yes; McDade – yes; Sennstrom – yes. Resolution No. 21-38-SA is approved.

**Resolution No. 21-39-SA AUTHORIZING THE AUTHORITY CHAIRMAN TO SIGN AN ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF RECEIPT OF A COPY OF THE "TEAMSTERS HEALTH AND WELFARE FUND AGREEMENT AND DECLARATION OF TRUST" AND COPY OF A TEAMSTERS RESOLUTION REGARDING CONTRIBUTION METHODOLOGY FOR BARGAINING UNITS IN EXCESS OF 150 EMPLOYEES AND PARTICIPATION BY NON-BARGAINING UNION EMPLOYEES**

Member McDade moved for adoption of Resolution No. 21-39-SA and Member Chollis seconded. Roll call vote as follows: Chollis – yes; Hourigan – yes; Masten – yes; McDade – yes; Sennstrom – yes. Resolution No. 21-39-SA is approved.

Next on the agenda is the Engineer's report. Engineer Palgutta reported:

- Warehouse application is still in the applicant's hands. Assume they have submitted their package to the DEP to receive their TWA permit. Waiting for their final plans and TWA permit before the Authority can grant them final approval.
- Tufts Rd Water Quality Management Plan site amendment. Township adopted a resolution in support. Reached out to DEP to find out status of review.
- Had the opportunity to meet with Tom and Mark regarding the wastewater treatment plant improvements. Discussed RBC's. Discussed electrical improvements. Need to make scope adjustments in documents and make technical submission to DEP so they can continue their review. They currently have the environmental planning document they are reviewing now. Submitting the plans for the other part of the team to review.
- Pumping Station Number 3. Close contact with the DOT as well as the contractor. DOT had provided comments with a note indicating once they receive revised plans they will continue their review. Upon speaking with the DOT, once notes are added to those plans they do not have much of a further review. Must add flowable fill to plans. Will be an additional cost.

There was some discussion regarding the cost of the work needed for flowable fill. The Authority Engineer was given permission to go ahead with adding the flowable fill note to the plans as required.

- Received and returned a lot of submittals. Contractor mentioned lead times for piping. His suppliers are telling him 2-3 weeks from the time submittals have been approved is when piping could be available. Once the permit is in, will reach out to contractor to find out when he will mobilize and be on site.

Next is ETS Project Manager Tom Gant's report. Tom Gant reported:

- Trickling filter effluent number 1 pump has been repaired and was installed Friday, March 5.
- Trickling filter influent pump was installed Thursday, March 11.
- Met with representatives from Penn Valley Pump and Sherwood-Logan to discuss replacing the sludge thickener lobe pump. Experiencing maintenance issues for a bit. Other maintenance issues associated with the clearance of the lobes for pumping efficiency. Penn Valley Pump and Sherwood-Logan offered a double disk pump that is very low maintenance, very reliable, and can feed at a lower constant rate which would help with the gravity thickener at the wastewater plant. Trial program available for 3-6

months. Representatives measured the pump station for the thickener, in the process of creating specs to formulate a cost for the replacement.

- Scheduled to meet Gorman-Rupp representative to discuss replacement of the influent pump station to the thickener. Discussing possibility of installing an above ground pump station similar to what is already present at the collection system.
- Still in discussion with Standard Pipe Services to inspect the manholes that are being looked at for rehabilitation for groundwater infiltration.
- Sanitary Sewer forcemain break at pumping station number 3. Discovered break in the afternoon, repairs were complete that evening. Break located near 370 S Broadway.
- As a result of recent rainfalls, higher flows than in the past. Currently waiting for lab results to determine the efficiency of the plant during that time.

Member McDade had a question regarding the rainfall increasing the flow at the plant. ETS Project Manager Tom Gant explained this increase comes from sump pumps as well as groundwater infiltration in the lines or manholes. Chairman Sennstrom mentioned the possibility of CIPP lining in the future. There was some discussion regarding the DEP requirements for various testing.

The meeting was opened to the public. No public comment.

Resolution No. 21-40-SA AUTHORIZING A CLOSED SESSION IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT

A matter which, if disclosed, would violate an individual's right to privacy. A matter involving the employment relationship between the Pennsville Sewerage Authority and an Authority employee. (Mark Kuhns)

Member McDade moved for adoption of Resolution No. 21-40-SA and Member Chollis seconded. Roll call vote as follows: Chollis – yes; Hourigan – yes; Masten – yes; McDade – yes; Sennstrom – yes. Resolution No. 21-40-SA is approved.

Closed session minutes on a separate document.

The meeting was opened back up to the public.

Chairman Sennstrom entertained a motion to adjourn. Member McDade so moved and Member Chollis seconded. All "aye", motion approved. Meeting adjourned at 8:03 p.m.

Taped by Kimberly A. Lockwood

Transcribed by Stevie-Nicole R. Tinklepaugh

Official tape and approved resolutions on file in the Sewerage Authority Office.

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Scott Hourigan, Secretary