

NORTH HUNTINGDON TOWNSHIP MUNICIPAL AUTHORITY
 WORK SESSION, APRIL 8, 2015, 5:30 P.M.
 YOUGHIOGHENY WATER POLLUTION CONTROL PLANT
 4222 TURNER VALLEY ROAD, NORTH HUNTINGDON, PA 15642

Roll Call:

Jeffrey Fisher	- Present	Michael Branthoover, General Manager	- Present
Todd M. Fry	- Present	Charles J. Gilbert, System Supt.	- Present
Timothy J. Hondal	- Absent	Christy J. Raspotnik, Finance Director	- Present
Joseph M. Korenic, Jr.	- Present	Christopher Sanner, Asst. System Supt.	- Present
William H. Miller	- Present	Daniel J. Hewitt, Solicitor	- Present
		David A. Coldren, KLH Engineers	- Present

Citizen's Input

There were no citizens present.

Manager's Report

Employee Michael Wilcox is still on Short Term Disability and has been off since February 24, 2015.

This year we are not going to request summer workers.

The Property and Liability insurance is up July 15, 2015. Proposals are being solicited by our broker, HDH.

The developers agreement for Tuscan Hills has been received and approval will be requested at the meeting.

Solicitor's Report

The items were covered in Executive Session.

Engineer's Report

There were 19 plan holders and 13 submitted bids for Penn's Woods Phase 2. The low bidder is Advanced Contracting. They did Country Hills Phases 2 and 3. The estimate was \$1.1 million. It will be recommended Contract 2014-5 be awarded to Advanced Contracting. They are

currently working in Carnegie for the next two to three weeks then will be mobilizing in North Huntingdon to address punch list items in Country Hills. Then he will hopefully fall right into Penn's Woods Phase 2. The only issue is the NPDES permit has not been received. The date of application was November 10. It was considered administratively complete November 17. DEP's program is 107 days or you get your money back. We should've had the permit by March 4. The County Conservation District has recommended the permit for approval but because we're in a high quality watershed, it has to go to DEP. There was much discussion how to proceed.

There were four bids on the Lateral Phase 6 Project. Mазzie from Allison Park was the low bidder at \$153,270 although he didn't acknowledge an addendum. BZ was the second low bidder at \$153,500. They were all above the grant amount of \$132,000. They are recommending the bids be thrown out and the bid be re-advertised. They are also going to review all the tapes of the laterals to bring the cost of the project down.

Abeck Electrical is doing Contract 2014-4 Pump Station Controls Relocation Project. We want them to add a local pump switch at each of the stations. The proposal is \$4,850. This will be recommended for approval.

Financial Director's Report

MuniLink converted our data and the training starts tomorrow. We should be up and running before the end of the month.

We would like to request a donation to Rescue 8 for our bi-annual CPR and AED Training. We usually give them \$200 and it's every two years.

System Superintendent's Report

Dan sent a letter to Uhaul and they are working on the repairs.

We need to decide what we are going to do regarding in-house inspectors. Our inspectors won't be around much longer, maybe a few years. It will cost more for the engineer to do it. We'd have to see if any employees are interested.

The union contract says we will not replace the inspectors position and it will disappear by attrition. We may be able to talk to labor counsel and train someone. There was further discussion weighing the pros and cons.

Assistant System Superintendent's Report

There was a break in the Larimer line. Kevin Fisher contacted Mike on Wednesday and expressed some concerns about having higher flows from a flow meter they use to monitor our line. Chuck and Chris spoke with Kevin and showed them about 4:00 am the flows went from 100,000 gallons to running well over 1 million gallons. They started searching and found an area of Brush Creek had washed away some of bank, exposed our line and pulled the joint apart. John Brentzel was called immediately to get the repair started. Chris contacted Katie Boon with the PA DEP which is our local representation. Chris met with her. The incident report was forwarded to the Greenburg and Pittsburgh offices. Brentzel finished the repairs around 5:00 on Thursday afternoon. He returned on Monday, put in more rip-rap and concrete to secure it.

Adjournment

The Work Session adjourned at 6:20 PM.



William H. Miller, Secretary