

**Mercersburg Sewer Authority
Borough Hall, Mercersburg PA
December 9, 2021
MINUTES**

Attending: Chairman Dan Chayes, Jim Malone, Lena Eckstine, Plant Operator Jon Piper, Borough Manager Derek Stoy, Secretary/Treasurer Stacey Golden

Absent: Gene Headley

Guest(s) / Press: None

Chairman Dan Chayes called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

No public comments.

MOTION: To approve the Treasurer's Report & Bills Payable for month ending October 31, 2021 & November 30, 2021 was made by Jim Malone, second by Lena Eckstine. All ayes, motion carried.

The Authority accepted the October 14, 2021 minutes as written.

No Engineer or Solicitor Report.

Authority moved into the Borough Manager's Report.

Manager Derek Stoy reported that the camera/flusher was received and that they have also been trained on how to use it. Stoy said he feels it will be a great asset to the public works department. The sensaphone alarm system has been installed. The composite sampler has been reprogrammed and is now compliant with DEP's request on the new sample protocol. Stoy said the 2022 budget will need approved. Control Systems 21 has provided a price to furnish and install a new pump controller at the reed bed transfer station and is under new business for review. Manager Stoy said the pipe locator is old and that the salesman who trained them on the camera said they do not service this unit anymore. Stoy said they were showed a new one with a price of \$4,696 and recommended the purchase be approved only if the water authority agrees to pay half. Two proposals were received in response to the engineering RFP, Lance Hoover and Manager Stoy will be interviewing both parties on December 14th and 16th. Stoy encouraged any authority members to attend who wished to. A motion will be needed for the sewer meeting schedule for 2022, the second Thursday of every month at 7 PM.

MOTION: To approve paying share of pipe locator from Pow-R Mole Sales LLC in the amount of \$4,346.00 if the Water Authority also approves was made by Jim Malone, second by Lena Eckstine. All ayes, motion carried.

Dan Chayes commented that he was willing to stay on the authority for another term.

Authority moved into the Plant Manager's Report.

Plant Operator Jon Piper reported that for the fifth month in a row there were no violations. Piper stated that the extra monthly required additional UV system sampling and monitoring continues to be

compliant. Piper reported that SBR #2 is experiencing higher than normal filament style bacteria growth inhibiting normal/optimum setting. Piper said the issue is being treated with “vigorous biological additives and treatment”. Piper continued saying SBR #1 is starting to have minor filament bacteria issues which is also being treated with biological additives. Operator Piper said the plant went into storm operation once in the reporting period and “somewhat reset on its own”. There were two alarm calls for the reporting period, one was for PLC communication error and one for highwater in one digester which was scheduled to be switched the following day.

No Old Business.

Authority moved into New Business.

MOTION: To approve the purchase of a pump controller from Control Systems 21 in the amount of \$4,613.13 was made by Jim Malone, second by Lena Eckstine. All ayes, motion carried.

MOTION: To approve the sewer credit at 115 Loudon Road for a pool fill up in the amount of \$73.01 was made by Jim Malone, second by Lena Eckstine. All ayes, motion carried.

MOTION: To approve the sewer meeting dates, second Thursday each month at 7 PM, was made by Jim Malone, second by Lena Eckstine. All ayes, motion carried.

MOTION: To adopt the 2022 budget as proposed with no rate increase was made by Jim Malone, second by Lena Eckstine. All ayes, motion carried.

MOTION: To adjourn at 7:25 PM was made by Jim Malone, second by Lena Eckstine. All ayes, motion carried.

These meeting minutes have been transcribed and respectfully submitted for approval by Stacey Golden with the use of her meeting notes and audio recording.

Date approved: _____