

MINUTES REGULAR MEETING AUGUST 13, 2007

CALL TO ORDER - Chairman David Monn called the Regular meeting of August 13, 2007 of the Mont Alto Municipal Authority to order at 6:32 p.m.

ROLL CALL - Staat Stymiest, David Monn, Tommy Gilbert, Sidney Miller and Gary Eigenbrode present.

MONT ALTO MUNICIPAL AUTHORITY STAFF - Maurice Gossert Nassaux-Hemsley, Inc., Tim Misner Solicitor, Patti Strite Treasurer, Gary L. Calimer, Jr. Maintenance Supervisor and Patricia Kocek Recording Secretary

INVOCATION - Staat Stymiest

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

VISITORS

Tyler Miller The Record Herald Re: Vanguard Development, Inc. and water rate increases

Dennis Monn Mont Alto Borough Council

John Lisko Quincy Township Solicitor, Wilbur Sanders Quincy Township Supervisor and Richard Gsell - Quincy Township's request for bulk water from the M A Municipal Authority Candy and Eugene Kauffman - Water on Furnace Road

Chairman D. Monn recognized the gentlemen in attendance in regards to the request from Quincy Township for bulk water. W. Sanders said they are in attendance this evening to get an update on the water situation and to find out whether or not the Municipal Authority is willing to provide bulk water to Quincy Township.

Chairman D. Monn explained the status of the water system (Well #1, Well #3, 12" Furnace Road water project, piezometers/schedule for testing/PSU water shed) as of this date. Providing water to Quincy Township depends on all of the items that Chairman D. Monn discussed during this time. There are two additional requirements for the water system.

1. Weir - The weir monitors the water coming down the stream. A certain amount must go over the weir and into the stream and if it does not all the water sources except the wells must be turned off immediately
2. Overflow from the weir - There is an overflow from Tarburner that is not metered, which comes in below the weir so the MAMA does not get any credit for this water

Chairman D. Monn said that the engineers have tried to get Penn State to help us convince DEP that we should be given credit for that water, added to what is going over the weir for a grand total to meet the minimum number of gallons that has to go over the weir. This could have a big impact during times of drought.

Chairman D. Monn told the representatives from Quincy Township that they could possibly help obtain this additional water coming from Tarburner.

Chairman D. Monn has instructed the Authority engineers to work on a cost to supply water to Quincy Township and also determine the amount of water that the Authority could supply to Quincy. D. Monn directed the engineers not to

include any springs in their calculations; they are to do the calculations using the well sources only.

A lengthy discussion followed on various aspects of providing bulk water to Quincy Township.

Several members of the Authority expressed their concern about the lack of history for Well #3.

M. Gossert will provide the needed information to J. Lisko, Quincy Township Solicitor, so that Quincy Township can send a letter to DEP requesting that the overflow of water from Tarburner be allocated to the Mont Alto Municipal Authority.

M. Gossert stated that he could probably provide the rates and gallonage to provide bulk water to Quincy Township in a few weeks time.

Short discussion on the possible interconnection between Guilford Township and the Mont Alto Municipal Authority. Dennis Monn pointed out that the interconnection would be for emergencies only.

Chairperson D. Monn told W. Sanders and J. Lisko that the Municipal Authority wants to share, they just don't want to give more than they can handle in the future. He feels there will probably be an agreement between Mont Alto and Quincy for the sale of bulk water. The question would be the amount of bulk water that could be supplied to Quincy Township if the agreement takes place.

W. Sanders said that he is satisfied with what he has heard here this evening because M. Gossert is working on the price of bulk water and the amount of bulk water that could possibly be supplied to Quincy Township. They came this evening looking for an update and we received what we were looking for.

He also said that Quincy needs to try to help the Authority with the Tarburner problem. M. Gossert will fax some letters he has drafted over the years to J. Lisko concerning DEP and Tarburner.

Discussion about Penn State University and water concerns. Chairman D. Monn recognized Robert Gsell. R. Gsell had no comments.

Chairman D. Monn recognized Candy & Eugene Kauffman.

The Kauffman's are concerned about a water line going further down Furnace Road and that they would be required to hook to the water system. The Kauffman's stated that they installed a new well and it would not be fair if they had to hook to the water system.

Chairman D. Monn told the Kauffman's that this would be a question for Quincy Township.

W. Sanders told the Kauffman's that Quincy Township is looking into this matter.

Chairman D. Monn recognized Tyler Miller of The Record Herald.

T. Miller asked about the infrastructure to sell bulk water to Quincy Township. Chairman D. Monn explained that the Authority installed a 12" water line on part of Furnace Road, but that is not a line to serve bulk water to Quincy Township. If an agreement to sell bulk water is reached

between Quincy and the MAMA, Quincy Township would be responsible for installing all of the infrastructure. T. Miller asked if Vanguard Corporation is still planning to build the forty townhouses Slabtown Road? Chairman D. Monn told T. Miller that the Municipal Authority directed them back to Quincy Township because the Authority had absolutely nothing to do with their proposed plan.

W. Sanders stated that the Township couldn't do much for them either until they figure out a loop. Short discussion.

T. Miller asked for specific reasons for the increase in the water rates and who would be affected by the increase? Chairman D. Monn told T. Miller that anyone that is hooked to the Mont Alto Water System will be affected by the increase. Everyone received the same amount of increase. Chairman D. Monn gave the following reasons for the increase:

1. Expenses to run the water system have increased
2. The expense to install Well #3
3. The difference between the Grant money and the actual cost of the 12" water line (Furnace Road Project)

W. Sanders, J. Lisko, R. Gsell and the Kauffman's left the meeting at this time.

ACCEPTANCE OF FINANCIAL REPORT

Chairman D. Monn said that P. Strite provided a revised Page 2 of the Financial Report. There was also enough money to squeeze by for July.

T. Lowson arrived at 7:18 p.m.

July 31, 2007 - G. Eigenbrode made a motion to accept the July 31, 2007 Financial Report as presented, S. Stymiest seconded, any further questions, hearing none is there any objection to the motion as it was made and seconded, hearing none the motion carries.

SEWER

Payment of Invoices

\$8,090.50 Nassaux-Hemsley, Inc. (Upgrade Sewer Plant)

M. Gossert reported that he has Plans for J. Bakner to review.

S. Stymiest made a motion to approve payment of the above invoice, T. Gilbert seconded, any further discussion, any objection to the motion as it was made and seconded, hearing none the motion carries.

WATER

Payment of Invoices - Projects

\$ 3,562.50 Timothy Misner Furnace Road Project
\$ 425.00 Quincy Township Inspection Furnace Rd. Project
\$ 8,751.00 Nassaux-Hemsley, Inc. Furnace Rd. Project
\$263,925.46 Marks Contracting, LTD Furnace Road Project
\$ 30,000.00 PSI Pumping, Inc. Well #3 Project
\$ 2,054.00 Nassaux-Hemsley, Inc. Well #3 Project
\$308,717.96 Total

Chairman D. Monn noted that P. Strite has the paperwork from T. Misner to pay invoices out of the two Lines of Credit.

S. Stymiest made a motion to authorize payment of the invoices, T. Gilbert seconded, any further discussion any objections to the motion as it was made and seconded, hearing none the motion carries.

G. Eigenbrode made a motion for a Resolution to make drafts against the Lines of Credit at 1st National Bank of Greencastle, T. Gilbert seconded, any further discussion, hearing none is there any objection to the motion as it was made and seconded, hearing none the motion carries.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Minutes Special Meeting June 21, 2007

July 9, 2007 - Page 2 5th Paragraph Line 1 Change "Council" to "the Mont Alto Municipal Authority"

Chairperson D. Monn stated the Minutes of the Special Meeting of June 21, 2007 and the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of July 9, 2007 stand approved as corrected.

MONT ALTO MUNICIPAL AUTHORITY - GENERAL

OLD BUSINESS

Digitized Sewer and Water Drawings - M. Gossert told the members he brought the drawings along this evening. He also brought a list of the equipment at the Sewer Plant with him this evening.

M. Gossert brought them along so J. Bakner can review the map and look at the list of equipment.

Chairman D. Monn instructed M. Gossert to give G. Calimer, Jr. the map and list. G. Calimer, Jr. can touch base with the Council Committee and J. Bakner to review the list and map.

M. Gossert told the members that the list is not totally complete at this point.

Black pipe - S. Stymiest asked if all of the old black pipe up above the old weir has been gathered up?

This project has not been completed. Discussion on when to do the project. Chairman D. Monn told G. Calimer, Jr. to do the work in October. If anyone complains and it has to be done earlier, then it will have to be completed.

MONT ALTO MUNICIPAL AUTHORITY - GENERAL

NEW BUSINESS - Nothing

OLD BUSINESS

SEWER

Guilford Township/MAMA Sewer Connection - Nothing new at this time.

Memo Re: PSU I & I - For Your Information

NEW BUSINESS SEWER

Letter from T. Misner and Quincy Township Sewer Authority - Chairman D. Monn stated that this item will be discussed when T. Misner is in attendance.

Operations Report

G. Calimer, Jr. presented a verbal Operations Report.

1. Operations satisfactory for the past month
2. All tests are within limitation
3. Average flow 78,000 gallons
4. Maximum flow for the month was 88,800 gallons

G. Calimer, Jr. reported the following rain event data:

8-2-07 1.02" 86,200

8-5-07 .77" 88,200

8-9-07 .89" 98,100

Chairman D. Monn requested this information from J. Bakner to try to detect if there was any improvement in the I & I. Discussion about the clear water in the manhole at PSU. G. Calimer, Jr. would like to run the Borough camera through the manhole. T. Lowson reported that he has all of the figures pertaining to the PSU manholes that were fixed, but he doesn't have pictures.

T. Lowson will contact Ron Swope of PSU and ask to camera the manhole.

G. Calimer, Jr. reported that the manhole on Slabtown Road has cracks and was damp. He will check it again when it rains hard.

OLD BUSINESS - WATER

Guilford Township emergency interconnection - Nothing.

Well #3 Project

M. Gossert reported that Well #3 is basically finished and is on line. The as built drawings, the marked up as Builts and the Operation and Maintenance Manuals have been received, but there are some comments on those items that have to be reviewed. The Authority owes the Contractor between \$2200 - 2300 and this will be held until the comments on the above are addressed. This Project will probably be completed by next month.

Discussion on the schedule for using Well #3. Dennis Monn reported that a schedule is being set up for running Well #1 and Well #3.

Dennis Monn told the Authority members that each well will run for 5 minutes before it goes on line. It will automatically check for turbidity. If the turbidity is too high the well will not go on line.

Discussion on where the water goes that is pumped out during the five minutes. Chairman D. Monn asked Dennis Monn to check to see how much water is wasted during the five minutes.

Seeding at Well #3 - G. Calimer, Jr. reported that the Borough will have to seed in that area. M. Gossert said that DCNR had the trees taken down and they took down more trees than were on the plans. M. Gossert doesn't think all of the area needs to be seeded. M. Gossert will contact Mike Kusko and get back to G. Calimer, Jr. as to what areas need to be seeded.

Water Hauler's Meter - G. Calimer, Jr. reported that the meter is up and running and he ordered an extra cone for the meter.

Furnace Road 12" Water Line Project Final Inspection - M. Gossert reported that the final inspection will take place on August 15, 2007 at 9:00 a.m. The meeting will take place at Oak Road. M. Gossert stated that the Project is essentially complete.

M. Gossert told the Authority that they used a very good contractor and that he completed the work in $\frac{1}{4}$ of the time allotted. Dennis Monn told the members that Fred Middaugh

of Furnace Road called him and praised the contractor very highly. F. Middaugh also stopped at the Borough Office and expressed the same sentiments.

Old 8" Water Line on 233 - M. Gossert to include this water line on the drawing so that it is identified as a dead line.

Seven valves on Oak Road - G. Calimer, Jr. discussed the seven valves on Oak Road. M. Gossert told G. Calimer, Jr. that the seven valves show on the new plan.

Completion Report 12" Water Line Furnace Road - M. Gossert reviewed this document with the members of the Authority.

Quincy Township - Sale of Bulk Water - Covered previously.

MAVFD watering newly seeded area - The fire company was watering their new lawn using the unmetered tap at the fire hall. Dennis Monn reported that they have ceased doing this and are now using garden hoses from the metered taps. Discussion on the Fire Company buying bulk water.

NEW BUSINESS

WATER

Operations Report

G. Calimer, Jr. told the members that Roger said everything was running okay.

Water Levels - G. Calimer, Jr. read several days worth of water levels to the members.

Chairman D. Monn said that if the members come in to the office and look at the file it will give them a better understanding of the levels. Discussion.

Valve in pit Martin property - G. Calimer, Jr. reported on the poor condition of the valves in the pit to the Jonathan Martin property.

Old pipes/meter yolks - G. Calimer, Jr. showed the members of the Authority some old pipe and a meter yolk he removed at a property. The pipes and yolks are very old. It upsets him the way some of the pipes are installed.

Chairman D. Monn and told G. Calimer, Jr. that in an old system you will find things like this. Discussion.

Water Hauler's Contract Mellott - Let the record show that Burkholder's Water Service was sold to Mellott's Water Service.

FCPC - Letter from D. Wolfe Re: Contractor Disbarment - For your information.

Curb stops - T. Lowson explained that there are water customers that are habitually delinquent. When the maintenance employees go out to turn off their water for non-payment they can't do it because the curb stop does not work. T. Lowson is asking for permission to fix the one particular curb stop. Chairman D. Monn gave G. Calimer, Jr. permission to repair the one curb stop that T. Lowson referred to.

G. Calimer, Jr. referred to a valve box near the Borough building that needs to be fixed. He stated that this kind of stuff needs to be fixed.

Chairman D. Monn instructed G. Calimer, Jr. to do the sewer work and hold off on the doing water work until October.

T. Lowson clarified that any curb stop (for delinquent customers) that cannot be turned off, G. Calimer, Jr. has permission to fix the curb stop.

Change Order No. 1 Install a 12" x 6" Tee, 6" Gate Valve for Quincy Township - The cost is \$1984.20 for this work. P. Strite to bill Quincy Township \$1984.20.

8" Valve - G. Calimer, Jr. is confirming that he has permission to fill the valve with concrete and the other valve box below that on Oak Road. The information about the valves is to be included on the plans.

Drought Watch - The members of the Authority received the information this evening about the Drought Watch. Dennis Monn pointed out that in a Drought Watch the governing body is to ask their customers to voluntarily reduce water usage by 5%.

Tyler Miller was provided a copy of the Drought Watch Report. He will include information about this in The Record Herald.

Adjournment - T. Gilbert made a motion to adjourn the regular meeting of August 13, 2007 of the Mont Alto Municipal Authority, S. Stymiest seconded, so ordered.

Respectfully submitted,

Submitted to Mont Alto
Municipal Authority for their
approval on September 10, 2007

Patricia A. Kocek
Mont Alto Municipal Authority Recording Secretary