

**MINUTES SPECIAL MEETING AUGUST 28, 2007**

**CALL TO ORDER** - Chairman David Monn called the Special meeting of June 21, 2007 of the Mont Alto Municipal Authority to order at 1:00 p.m.

**ROLL CALL** - Staat Stymiest, David Monn, Tommy Gilbert, and Gary Eigenbrode present. Sidney Miller arrived at 1:13 p.m.

**MONT ALTO MUNICIPAL AUTHORITY STAFF** - Maurice Gossert, Tim Misner Solicitor, and Patricia A. Kocek Recording Secretary  
**VISITORS**

Dennis Monn Mont Alto Borough Council

Judy Gossert Observing

**OLD BUSINESS - WATER**

**Extension Well #3 Project Loan** - Solicitor T. Misner reported that 1<sup>st</sup> National Bank of Greencastle agreed to extend the Loan for an additional 12 months at the same interest rate of 4.45%.

S. Stymiest made a motion to authorize Chairman D. Monn to sign the addendum from 1<sup>st</sup> National Bank of Greencastle which will change the maturity date to July 26, 2008, G. Eigenbrode seconded, any further discussion, any objection to the motion as it was made and seconded, hearing none the motion carries.

**Review proposals for financing the Furnace Road Project -**

T. Misner told the members that he received responses from four (4) out of the five (5) banks he contacted.

1. 1<sup>st</sup> National Bank of Greencastle  
Fixed Interest Rate 12 mos. Line of Credit \$550,000.00  
4.45% Interest
2. Susquehanna Bank  
Fixed Interest Rate 1 year 4.80% + \$395.00 fee  
documentation, \$550,000.00
3. F & M Trust  
Fixed 1 year 4.88% + \$250.00 fee, \$550,000.00
4. M & T Bank  
1 year \$550,000.00 (4.92% as of 6-20-2007)

Discussion about refinancing all of the projects into one loan when the projects are completed.

S. Stymiest made a motion to establish a Line of Credit with 1<sup>st</sup> National Bank of Greencastle with an interest rate of 4.45% for 12 months, with the Secretary and/or Chairman being authorized to sign any and all loan documents needed to effectuate the Line of Credit, any further comments or questions, any objections to the motion as it was made and seconded, hearing none the motion carried.

**Notice to Proceed - Furnace Road Project** - T. Gilbert made a motion to send the Notice to Proceed to Marks so they can begin the Furnace Road Project since the financing is in place, S. Stymiest seconded, any further discussion or questions, hearing none are there any objections to the motion as it was made and seconded, hearing none the motion carried.

**Water Rate Increases** - The Authority reviewed a Water Rate Fee Study presented to the members of the Authority at the June 11, 2007 meeting.

The members discussed the following items briefly:

1. Rate change - When would the increase take affect?  
August 15 would be the first day of the increase  
The first invoice with the increase would be mailed in early October
2. The procedure to use to determine the rate increase
3. Using a Bond Counselor when combining all loans & prepayment of the loan
4. Cost of operators for the Water Plant vs. having one employee - Dennis Monn said the cost is comparable
5. The Authority has the right to raise rates each year
6. Discussed raising the minimum from 3000 gallons to 4000 gallons

Discussion on the amount to increase the water rates.

T. Gilbert made a motion to increase the water rates 30%, \$7.15 per thousand gallons, the increase would begin with the billing cycle on August 15, 2007, S. Miller seconded, any further discussion or comments, hearing none is there any objection to the motion as it was made and seconded, hearing none, the motion carries.

P. Kocek will prepare a Resolution for the new water rates.

#### **OLD & NEW BUSINESS**

##### **Water & Sewer**

**Well #3** - Short discussion on the progress of Well #3 and the items to be finalized.

**Testing** - Dennis Monn reported that a meeting was held last week between the persons responsible for the Water Plant. A list of the tests that have to be completed has been compiled and the list shows who is responsible for which tests. Dennis Monn is going to try to have a quarterly meeting with those persons involved in the water system.

**Dam** - Dennis Monn also reported that someone has started to build a small dam in the stream near the reservoir. This can affect the readings in the weir.

M. Gossert will notify is notifying DCNR & DEP. Discussion.

**Stream withdrawal** - S. Stymiest briefly discussed landscape companies drawing water out of the streams to fill their tank trucks.

**Fire Hydrants** - M. Gossert wrote a letter to Quincy Township concerning installing fire hydrants during the construction on Furnace Road. Chairman D. Monn changed the wording and asked Quincy Township to provide their answer in writing.

M. Gossert told the members that Quincy Township will be making a decision in the next day or two. M. Gossert said that the answer will come to the MAMA in writing.

**Quincy Township request for bulk water** - P. Kocek told Chairman D. Monn that she did receive a letter from Quincy Township detailing their request for bulk water.

Chairman D. Monn feels the Authority is going to be pressured by Quincy Township about the cost for the bulk water they want the Authority to sell to them.

**Adjournment** - S. Stymiest made a motion to adjourn the Special Meeting of June 21, 2007 of the Mont Alto Municipal Authority at 2:20 p.m., T. Gilbert seconded, so ordered.

Respectfully submitted,

Submitted to Mont Alto  
Municipal Authority for their  
approval on July 9, 2007

Patricia A. Kocek  
Mont Alto Municipal Authority  
Recording Secretary