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**MINUTES REGULAR MEETING OCTOBER 13, 2008**

**CALL TO ORDER** - Chairman David Monn called the Regular meeting of October 13, 2008 of the Mont Alto Municipal Authority to order at 6:30 p.m.

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

**MONT ALTO MUNICIPAL AUTHORITY STAFF** - Timothy Misner Solicitor, Maurice Gossert and Scott Longstreth Nassaux-Hemsley, Inc., Patti Strite Treasurer, Jerry L. Bakner Sewer Plant Operator, Larson Wenger Employee and Patricia A. Kocek Recording Secretary.

**INVOCATION** - P. Kocek

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**VISITORS**

Tom Lawson and Dennis Monn Mont Alto Borough Council  
Chairman D. Monn recognized Larson Wenger as the newest Borough employee and welcomed him to the Borough and the Authority.

**ACCEPTANCE OF FINANCIAL REPORT**

Solicitor T. Misner reported that the transaction to purchase a CD at State Farm at a rate of 4.35% could not be completed. This rate was for individuals only.  
Instead a \$25,000.00 CD was purchased from Susquehanna Bank for 13 months at a rate of 4%.

**September 30, 2008** - G. Eigenbrode made a motion to accept the Financial Report, 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.

**SEWER**

**Payment of Invoices**

\$8581.00 Nassaux-Hemsley, Inc. Upgrade Sewer Treat Plant  
S. Stymiest made a motion to pay the invoice for the Project, S. Miller seconded, any further questions or discussion, hearing none are there any objections to the motion as it was made and seconded, hearing none the motion carries.

**WATER**

**Payment of Invoices - Projects**

No invoices for consideration this evening.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**Minutes Regular Meeting**

**September 8, 2008**

Chairman D. Monn stated that the Minutes of September 8, 2008 stand approved as submitted.

**MONT ALTO MUNICIPAL AUTHORITY - GENERAL**

**OLD BUSINESS**

**Sewer/Water Plant Operator** - Chairman D. Monn asked L. Wenger if there was anything that he wished to address. L. Wenger thanked the Authority and the Borough for the privilege of working with them.

Remove Sewer/Water Plant Operator from the Agenda.

**Antrim Township Water Agreement** - Dennis Monn reported that Jeff Evans Borough Solicitor is contacting John Lisko of Antrim Township to make arrangements to terminate the Agreement.

**Job Description for L. Wenger** - Dennis Monn told Chairman D. Monn that the Borough is working on the job description for the Borough. Chairman D. Monn will be invited to meet with the Personnel Committee to work on the job description.

**MONT ALTO MUNICIPAL AUTHORITY - GENERAL**

**NEW BUSINESS**

**2008 PMAA Administrative/Environmental Issues** - For your information.

**CHAR Report** - For your information. Short discussion about the article concerning the continuing rise in cost for water and sewer. Discussion about how to get the word out to the voters about the referendum.

**OLD BUSINESS**

**SEWER**

**MAMA Sewer Plant Upgrade** - M. Gossert reported that five representatives from DEP met at the Sewer Plant on October 6, 2008 to review the plans for the Plant upgrade. Ms. Bennett is the Permitting Engineer and she was in attendance.

1. MAMA does not need to do an Act 537 Plan
2. Reviewed Plan Sheet with representatives
3. No comments from representatives relative to the Plant as far as the upgrade
4. It will be necessary to have an equalization tank - different options will be explored
5. The liner will be removed and the lagoon filled in
6. Explained to Ms. Bobenek that the rings can be raised on the Sludge tank

7. The effluent was very good when the representatives were at the Sewer plant

**Roof for Sewer Treatment Plant** - T. Lowson told the members of the Authority that the contractor will be moving in this week.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### **SEWER**

**Operations Report** - J. Bakner reported that:

1. Operations were satisfactory for September
2. Average flow was 126,900 gallons and maximum flow was 184,400 gallons
3. Grease flow has increased since PSU is back in session.  
J. Bakner and L. Wenger will be looking into this problem.

**Student Housing** - Discussion about the fees for the water and sewer permits. P. Kocek explained that the fees have to be paid before the inspections are done on the lines.

T. Lowson told the members that Mike Hansen, Zoning Officer is keeping on top of the student housing construction.

**Water leak student housing** - The leak has been isolated but not located. Maintenance will look for the leak when doing the hookups for the student housing.

**PSU Ball field** - Discussion regarding a possible elaborate ball field, as it applies to the sewer, that PSU may build.

### **OLD BUSINESS - WATER**

**Security System** - Keep on Agenda until further notice.

**Weir** - Short discussion. Remove from Agenda. The transducer will be installed this week.

**Drawing water before the weir** - The employees and members were reminded that if they see a vehicle drawing water before the weir they should try to get the license number of the vehicle.

**Draft Agreement developed by J. Lisko Re: Furnace Road** - The Mont Alto Municipal Authority received a copy of the Agreement.

The MAMA is still willing to provide the 100 EDU's to Quincy Township.

T. Misner and M. Gossert reviewed the Agreement but they need to sit down and review the Agreement thoroughly.

Those present reviewed the Agreement and noted areas that need to be corrected, modified or changed.

T. Misner and M. Gossert will make the changes, additions

deletions and corrections and provide it to the members for their review.

If the members have additional items they would like to change or add to the Agreement they are to provide these to T. Misner and/or M. Gossert as soon as possible.

T. Misner, M. Gossert, J. Lisko and Quincy Township's engineer should meet and discuss this Agreement before bringing to the respective boards.

M. Gossert will get with L. Wenger and discuss how much water Well #1 and Well #3 produces on a GPM basis. M. Gossert needs these figures for the Agreement.

**Well #2** - Chairman D. Monn opened a discussion about Well #2.

1. Should the Authority begin to work on Well #2?
2. How much money would the Authority want to spend on this Project?
3. What would you do with the dirty water while clearing up the water?
4. Check to make sure the Agreement with DCNR does not run out and make sure it can be renewed.

The members of the Authority briefly discussed the above issues.

#### **NEW BUSINESS - WATER**

**Operations Report** - The members of the Authority briefly reviewed the written Operations Report.

**Well #1** - Chairman D. Monn addressed Well #1 discharging and how often it is discharging because of turbidity. The area is getting swampy and D. Monn does not want problems with the neighbors because of the wet areas. Discussion.

#### **Miscellaneous Items**

**Corps of Engineer Grant** - M. Gossert reported that he has the \$326,000.00 Grant ready to send in.

**Water/Sewer Budget** - The Authority will meet on October 28, 2008 at 1:00 p.m. to work on the Budget. T. Misner will advertise the meeting.

**Daytime meetings** - Chairman D. Monn proposed that the Mont Alto Municipal Authority change their meetings from evening to daytime either at 10:00 a.m. or 1:00 p.m. This would save money by not having to pay the employees overtime to attend the meetings. Chairman D. Monn is concerned about the funds and that is why he proposed this change.

Discussion about public input at the meetings and how changing the meetings would affect this.

The members are to consider this until the November meeting.

**Adjournment** – S. Stymiest made a motion to adjourn the regular meeting of October 13, 2008 of the Mont Alto Municipal Authority at 7:47 p.m., T. Gilbert seconded, so ordered.

Respectfully submitted,

Submitted to Mont Alto  
Municipal Authority for their  
approval on November 10, 2008

Patricia A. Kocek  
Mont Alto Municipal  
Authority Recording Secretary