

**CALL TO ORDER** - Chairman David Monn called the Regular meeting of **May 10, 2010** of the Mont Alto Municipal Authority to order at 6:31 p.m.

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

**MONT ALTO MUNICIPAL AUTHORITY STAFF** - Fred Heerbrandt Engineer, Timothy Misner Solicitor, Patti Strite Treasurer, Jerry Bakner Sewer Treatment Plant Operator, Larson Wenger Maintenance Supervisor and Patricia Kocek Recording Secretary

**INVOCATION** - P. Kocek

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**VISITORS**

Dennis Monn

MAMA Chairman recognized D. Monn. D. Monn recently resigned from Mont Alto Borough Council. He came to the meeting this evening to thank the MAMA for the honor of working for them and with them.

Chairman D. Monn expressed his regrets about the situation.

D. Monn left the meeting at 6:34 p.m.

**VISITORS**

Kerry Bumbaugh Quincy Township Board of Supervisors

Mont Alto Municipal Authority Chairman D. Monn recognized K. Bumbaugh.

K. Bumbaugh dropped into the meeting this evening to discuss the status of a water agreement between the Mont Alto Municipal Authority and Quincy Township for water on Furnace Road.

Municipal Authority Chairman told K. Bumbaugh that the Authority now has an engineer but the Authority needs another month or so for the engineer to review all of the information pertaining to a possible agreement for water for Furnace Road.

The Authority members, T. Misner and K. Bumbaugh discussed various aspects of this project and an Intergovernmental Agreement between the two (2) entities.

F. Heerbrandt will take this information back to his firm and have the gentleman that works on the water come to the next MAMA meeting.

K. Bumbaugh said he will report this information to the Quincy Township Supervisors.

K. Bumbaugh left the meeting at 6:44 p.m.

**VISITORS**

Allison Schuhart The Record Herald arrived at 6:38 p.m. and left the meeting at 6:42 p.m. without being recognized as a visitor.

**ACCEPTANCE OF FINANCIAL REPORT**

**April 30, 2010** - The members of the Authority briefly reviewed the Financial Report.

Chairman D. Monn stated that hearing no comments, corrections or additions, the report stands accepted as submitted.

**Sewer**

**Payment of Invoices**

\$23,700.41 Wm. Hill & Assoc. (Waste Water Treatment - Design)  
An invoice for \$188.24 was submitted for payment but after discussion it was decided that this invoice was not part of the Project.  
This invoice is for the General Spec Book developed by Hill & Associates. L. Wenger is reviewing the Spec Book at this time.

S. Stymiest made a motion to pay the invoice as submitted, T. Gilbert seconded, any further discussion, any questions on the motion as it was made and seconded, hearing none the motion carries.

**WATER**

**Payment of Invoices - Projects**

None

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**April 12, 2010** - Chairman D. Monn asked if there were any corrections or additions to be made to the Minutes for April 12, 2010, hearing none the Minutes of the Regular meeting of April 12, 2010 stand approved as submitted.

Solicitor T. Misner confirmed with P. Kocek that she is destroying the tapes each month after the Minutes are approved.

**MONT ALTO MUNICIPAL AUTHORITY - GENERAL**

**OLD BUSINESS** - None

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**NEW BUSINESS**

**PA One Call Safety Days** - L. Wenger told the Authority that T. Lawson recommends that the maintenance staff attend this free seminar. Several of the maintenance personnel will receive contact hours for attending the seminar.

**VISITORS**

Tom Lawson Mont Alto Borough Council liaison arrived at 6:53 p.m.

Chairman D. Monn asked T. Lowson if he agreed with L. Wenger's comments. T. Lowson concurred with this statement. The maintenance staff will attend the PA One Call Safety Days.

#### **OLD BUSINESS - SEWER**

**Sewer Plant Upgrade Project** - F. Heerbrandt provided a copy of the materials that were submitted to the State for the permit. This includes the technical specifications for the equipment and materials for the Project, the actual permit application and the actual drawings. F. Heerbrandt gave the drawings (30 sheets) to L. Wenger for his review.

Discussion on storage for the plans and specifications for this Project. F. Heerbrandt told the members that these plans are submittal drawings. These drawings will not be used for bidding. These drawings should be destroyed after the final drawings are drafted.

**Cost estimates and time line estimates** - F. Heerbrandt presented these items to the members of the Authority. F. Heerbrandt and the MAMA reviewed the documents.

**100 Year Flood** - F. Heerbrandt explained how this situation was resolved so that pumps do not have to be installed as part of the Project.

**Land Development Plan** - Quincy Township has not approved the Land Development Plan. The only outstanding issue is the storm water management. E. Vranich met with Quincy Township's engineer and discussed the issues. New Land Development Plans should be soon submitted to Quincy Township as a revision to the original plans.

Chairman D. Monn thanked F. Heerbrandt for doing an excellent job.

**Camera sewer lines PA Rural Water Association** - L. Wenger has not received any further information on this subject.

#### **NEW BUSINESS - SEWER**

**Operations Report** - J. Bakner presented the following verbal report.

1. Operations are satisfactory
2. Maximum flow 159,300 gallons
3. All tests were within limitations
4. Average daily flow 131,200 gallons

**Fence Troy Helman** - L. Wenger reported that the \$650.00 has been paid to Troy Helman for the fence.

L. Wenger researched the Agreement. The Helman's still have rental rights to the land according to the Agreement.

The Authority now owns the fence and L. Wenger feels that the Authority needs a Hold Harmless and Indemnification Agreement from the Helman's in case their animals get out and cause damage to the fence or other property.

A lengthy discussion was held concerning the ownership of the adjoining land and the succession of rights for the rental of the pasture.

T. Misner will look into this matter and take all necessary steps to ensure that the Authority is covered in this matter. He will develop a Hold Harmless and Indemnification Agreement.

T. Misner pointed out that the Agreement passes with the land not the person.

**Fireworks** - The Mont Alto Volunteer Fire Company may use this land for the fireworks. L. Wenger will work with the Fire Company and the Helman's if the fireworks are going to be set off on this land.

**Sewer Articles** - Chairperson D. Monn read two (2) articles concerning the construction and financing of sewer plants.

**H2o Grant** - F. Heerbrandt reviewed the information and his office is working on an update for the grant. The Grant application will be submitted within the required time period.

**Army Corps of Engineers** - F. Heerbrandt talked to someone from the Corps regarding the grant money still available to the MAMA for the design phase of the Project.

The Army Corps of Engineers will look for money for the MAMA that can be used for the construction phase of the Sewer Treatment Plant Upgrade.

**Guilford Township Sewer** - T. Gilbert told the members that at the last Committee meeting it was suggested to have T. Misner contact Guilford Township one more time to see if they would be interested in what the MAMA is doing with their new Plant.

A lengthy discussion ensued concerning the pros and cons of approaching Guilford Township. It was pointed out that at this point in time the Authority actually has a design to show Guilford Township. The consensus is to have T. Misner contact Guilford Township.

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

**WATER** - Nothing

#### **NEW BUSINESS - Water Operations Report**

L. Wenger gave the following verbal report:

1. Average flow 151,000 gallons for the month of April
2. Water Haulers usage is picking up

**Complaints from Aspen Drive about colored water** - L. Wenger reported that he has been flushing the line once per week and there is still colored water. He thinks the color may be staying in the hot water heaters.

L. Wenger feels that the dirty water may be coming from Larch Street. He would like to hook up a hose to the two (2) houses and flush the line there to see if this helps. The meters for these two (2) houses would be read and any excess water usage would have to be credited to their account.

The end of Aspen used to have this problem but they are not experiencing the dirty water at this time.

**Operations Supervisor** - Chairman D. Monn questioned T. Lowson how the day to day items will be handled between the Borough, the employees and the Mont Alto Municipal Authority.

Discussion. For right now T. Lowson told the members things are good. The decision on how this will be handled in the future will be decided by Council.

Chairman D. Monn praised Dennis Monn for the work he did.

**Adjournment** - S. Stymiest made a motion to adjourn the Regular Meeting of May 10, 2010 of the Mont Alto Municipal Authority at 8:02 p.m., S. Miller seconded, any objections to the adjournment, hearing none, so ordered.

Respectfully submitted,

Submitted to Mont Alto  
Mont Alto Municipal Authority  
for their approval on

June 14, 2010.

**Patricia A. Kocek**

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Recording Secretary