

MINUTES
New Holland Borough Authority
April 18, 2017

The New Holland Borough Authority met on Tuesday, April 18, 2017, at 8:30 a.m. in Borough Hall. All members were present: Chairman Jacob W. Musser, Vice-Chairman M. Timothy Bender, Treasurer Jack E. Schnader, Secretary Robert P. Johnson and Assistant Secretary/Treasurer Ernest M. Orr. Also present were Authority Recording Secretary J. Richard Fulcher, Authority Solicitor Bradford J. Harris, Borough Water Department Supervisor Clete Stone, Borough Wastewater Department Supervisor Tina Myers and Borough and Authority water consultant Jeff Bologna of Becker Engineering.

Chairman Musser opened the meeting, asking for action on the Minutes of the Authority's previous meeting.

Robert Johnson made the motion that the Minutes of the Authority's meeting of January 17, 2017, be approved as distributed. This was seconded by Tim Bender and passed.

Wastewater Department Supervisor Myers then reviewed her Report: Review of Operations for 2016, for the Department. There were no NPDES Permit violations during the year. The last violation of an item was in July of 2013. The plant continues to run well. One of the major rehabilitation projects was on the #1 Intermediate Clarifier. The #2 Intermediate Clarifier is scheduled for this year and starting to get underway. Both of these go back to the 1998 plant update. The real major equipment replacement for this year is the replacement of the Belt Filter Press. She is working with wastewater consultant Bucharth-Horn to study and compare newer systems, with various names such as Volute Press, Rotary Fan Press and so on. She noted there is a demonstration planned at the Borough's plant this Thursday, and other Operators are invited to attend. Authority members are also invited to attend. Maybe the best recent news, which was just recently received (4-6-17), was the formal removal of the Corrective Action Plan by PA DEP related to the Spruce Road Pump Station. She noted that though DEP's letter cites the replacement of the two main pumps at the Station as the reason, this flow reduction also included the many other activities such as the reducing rainwater inflows at the manholes and the relocation of that section of line near Groff Park in preparation for the planned new well supply.

Member Johnson inquired about the impact on plant operations when this work is done on these larger pieces of equipment.

Supervisor Myers replied that fortunately most of the plant's major operations have dual systems or like the clarifiers, a channel can be closed for maintenance or repair, and the plant still continues with proper treatment. In continuing some final elements of the Report, she reminded members that the official expiration date of the current NPDES Permit, which is normally renewed in five year cycles, expired in 2013. The current official status is that the existing/old Permit has been administratively extended by PA DEP; which seems to have a staff shortage and other more serious concerns.

Tim Bender then made the motion that Supervisor Myers 2016 Report of Operations be formally accepted. This was seconded by Ernie Orr. Chairman Musser noted that the Authority appreciates the work of Supervisor Myers and Department staff to keep the Borough in good operational status. The motion then passed.

Water consultant Bologna reported that through a recent verbal discussion with the SRBC staff person over-seeing the Authority's process for the new well, he is planning to proceed with the next major step of the Draw-Down test, probably in the July, August, September period depending on weather conditions. For this test, the drier the period the better. There are about 8 nearby wells set to be monitored as part of the Draw-Down testing. The draw-down is to be about 1,400 gpm for a week. He hopes they get approval for 800-900 gpm. Unless something unexpected occurs, this information should allow them to proceed with more detailed treatment building design plans. Even after the testing, data collection continues for two or three weeks from the wells being monitored. This verbal approval has not yet been received in writing but he plans to proceed as discussed. As a reminder, an initial permit has to be submitted along with the one for the new Well (5). This will remove Well 1 from its original "Grandfathered" status. Like Well 2 which was done just a few years ago, the Department Supervisor's good historical records are able to be used for much of this submittal.

Solicitor Harris then reported on the status of the two outstanding Attachment agreements. He has completed some hopefully minor changes to the Amendment to the lease with T-Mobile including some language for a payment of \$5,000 to the Authority as well as reimbursement of some review fees. The second one involves the Crown Castle purchase of the ATT tower on the Wastewater Plant property. It is also close to the final items in that they have again requested that the Authority allow the potential future transfer or assignment of the Agreement to CCATT, LLC or an affiliate of such.

Following brief further discussion, Tim Bender made the motion to allow Crown Castle to assign such Agreement rights to CCATT or a related affiliate, on the condition that the Authority also reserves the right to transfer or assign the Agreement and the involved premises to parties such as the New Holland Borough, a potential future regional authority, or the like. This was seconded by Jack Schnader. The members noted that Borough Council could decide in the future to no longer have an Authority, or there could even be a regional Authority formed to address these services in the future, and the Authority's assets and obligations would have to be free to transfer or assign. The motion then passed.

Tim Bender next made the motion that the approval of the Lease Amendment with T-Mobile again be shown as approved, with the acceptance of the modifications as suggested by Solicitor Harris. This was seconded by Jack Schnader and passed.

Robert Johnson made the motion that the bills be paid as prepared. This was seconded by Tim Bender and passed. The bills were:

Lancaster County Treasurer Spring Taxes—287 Phillip Rd.	\$228.63 Ck#1472
Salisbury Township Spring Taxes—Wertztown Rd.	\$8.05 Ck#1473
Weinhold, Nickel & Company 2015 Audit	\$3,930.00 Ck#1474
Abner Beiler Reimb. for Well Installation	\$1,000 Ck#1475
Good & Harris, LLP T-Mobile Contract	\$1,632 Ck#1476

There being no further businesses or public comment, the meeting was adjourned at 9:16 a.m.

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Date Approved