

Coraopolis Water & Sewer Authority
Allegheny County, Pennsylvania
Regular Meeting via Teleconference
July 20, 2021
6:00 PM

The Meeting was called to order by the Authority President John Schombert.

A Roll Call of Members was then taken.

PRESENT

George Mihalyi

Mike Harris

John Schombert

ABSENT

Robb Cardimen

Karl Groom

ALSO, PRESENT

Rich Deems – Superintendent

Larry Lennon, Jr. – Authority Engineer

Nate Boring – Solicitor

Raymond McCutcheon – Manager

Mr. Schombert asked if there were any questions on the Agenda, being none, the meeting continued.

Public Comments

Mr. Schombert said we have two Excessive Use letter requests this evening, the first is for Joyce Dietrich of 1228 McCabe Avenue and they have made the required corrections.

Mr. Schombert said with approval from the Board we will give her credit for both water and sewer and a payment plan.

Mr. Mihalyi made a motion to approve the Excessive Use Policy for Joyce Dietrich of 1228 McCabe Avenue. Mr. Harris seconded the motion.

APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY BY VOICE VOTE.

Mr. Schombert said the second request comes from Damian Neft of 1833 Montour Street. They explain that they found a leak, turned off the water and replaced the piping so I think this can go forward.

Mr. Deems said it does qualify, but we have an issue with historical use to determine the excess amount because this is a vacant house. A discussion pursued.

Mr. Harris made a motion to approve the Excessive Use Policy for Damian Neft of 1833 Montour Street.
Mr. Mihalyi seconded the motion.
APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY BY VOICE VOTE.

Mr. Mihalyi made a motion to approve the minutes as distributed from the June 15, 2021, Authority Meeting. Mr. Harris seconded the motion.
APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY BY VOICE VOTE.

Mr. Schombert asked if there were any questions on the Water Department Invoices for July 2021 in the amount of \$74,075.15.

Mr. McCutcheon said I didn't look at the invoices so on page three, the one for \$15,000.00 I am not sure what this is.

Mr. Deems said I don't know either.

Mr. McCutcheon said you can approve it and we'll look at it and make sure it's good before we send anything out.

Mr. Deems said is this the PennDOT payment?

Mr. McCutcheon said this is Fifth Avenue and Locust, not Vine and a discussion pursued.

Mr. Mihalyi made a motion to approve the Water Department Invoices for July 2021 in the amount of \$74,075.15. Mr. Harris seconded the motion.

UPON ROLL CALL VOTE

Mr. Mihalyi	Yes
Mr. Harris	Yes
Mr. Schombert	Yes

Motion Carried.

Mr. McCutcheon said the Sewer Department invoices for July 2021 in the amount of \$129,158.71 includes \$80,220.00, the very last item on the second page for the PennDOT work at 5th and Locust Street and the RSA charges.

Mr. Harris made a motion to approve the Sewer Department invoices for July 2021 in the amount of \$129,158.71 which includes the treatment charges for the Riverview Sanitary Authority of \$36,516.16.

Mr. Mihalyi seconded the motion.

UPON ROLL CALL VOTE

Mr. Mihalyi	Yes
Mr. Harris	Yes
Mr. Schombert	Yes

Motion Carried.

Mr. McCutcheon said that is the third and final payment to PennDOT for that project.

Mr. Mihalyi made a motion to approve the Stormwater invoices for July 2021 in the amount of \$14,094.19. Mr. Harris seconded the motion.

UPON ROLL CALL VOTE

Mr. Mihalyi Yes

Mr. Harris Yes

Mr. Schombert Yes

Motion Carried.

MANAGER’S REPORT

Mr. McCutcheon said I gave everyone a copy of the letter that we received from Lennon Smith. The bond for the soccer field is \$300,000.00 for the building and Mr. Deems asked if we need to make a motion for it. I don’t think we need a motion to tell them what the bond amount is.

Mr. McCutcheon said I sent everyone a copy of the notice that we received from the White House about security and I am going to talk with our IT Company next week about this. A discussion pursued.

Mr. McCutcheon said as far as the financials, everything looks reasonable.

ENGINEER’S REPORT

Mr. Larry Lennon, Jr. directed everyone to the Monthly Engineering Report and said Lead Joint Waterline Replacement Project; Pennvest bumped their Board Meeting to Friday due to advertising issues. The 30-day comment period closed on July 11th and there were no public comments received on the environmental review process, that categorical exclusion was approved.

Mr. Larry Lennon, Jr. said the Water and Sewer System Needs Assessment; we did have the Committee Meeting and we discussed the report that was handed out at the last meeting being the alternatives analysis for the source of supply and treatment.

Mr. Schombert said we had a pre discussion and we need to pull Mr. Boring into the discussion now that we have an agreement from Moon and Mr. Boring has reviewed it, so we can set up a meeting within the next week. He continued to explain and a discussion pursued.

Mr. Larry Lennon, Jr. said the Montour Soccer Complex and directed everyone to Attachment A for the bond summary.

Mr. Larry Lennon, Jr. said PennDOT Route 51, 4th Avenue Culvert Replacement; the reimbursement request is being updated for submission to PennDOT.

Mr. Larry Lennon, Jr. said CDBG 2022 (Year 48) Grant Cycle; preapplications are coming up, so we’re going to review potential projects.

Mr. Larry Lennon, Jr. said Comprehensive Monitoring Plan, the approved plan that we discussed with the DEP and the Laboratories, three of them before we submitted was doing composite samples on the wells. After we went to authorize the labs, they came back and said we cannot meet the composite sampling requirements because several were doing away with their certifications for composite sampling and a couple more said they couldn't meet the hold requirements and he continued to explain.

Mr. Larry Lennon, Jr. said Risk and Resilience Assessment, you did meet the DEP deadline for submission. The next step is to update the emergency response plan based on the results of that assessment. This is mostly on cyber security which is very important for water systems.

Mr. Larry Lennon, Jr. said FY22 Community Project Funding Request; that application was filed with Senator Casey. I did see that he released a list of projects, but did not see your project on there.

Mr. Larry Lennon, Jr. said Long Term Control Plan; we'll have an update for you next month, but I believe that we are pulling the flow meters, or they are already out of the ground so then we'll have a schedule and an idea of what we're looking at.

Mr. Larry Lennon, Jr. said Howard Street Sanitary Sewer, we did submit the request to CFA and it is under review.

Mr. Larry Lennon, Jr. said Wood Street Sanitary Sewer, the Borough did authorize the project to be advertised pending the Authority's acceptance of the cost share. Your cost share is about \$155,000.00 and directed everyone to the table specifying what accounts the money will come from and he continued to explain.

Mr. Harris made a motion to authorize the CWSA cost share for the Wood Street project. Mr. Mihalyi seconded the motion.

UPON ROLL CALL VOTE

Mr. Mihalyi Yes

Mr. Harris Yes

Mr. Schombert Yes

Motion Carried.

Mr. Larry Lennon, Jr. said Storm Sewer System Items, MS4 Compliance; Attachment B shows the year 4 outfall screening results and I think the only thing there was some erosion settling around an end wall.

Mr. Larry Lennon, Jr. said Pollutant Reduction Plan; we're working on the small project Chapter 105 which is the waterways permit through the DEP so that is being prepared.

Mr. Larry Lennon, Jr. said the CDBG Year 46 Grant Cycle; contractor was on site July 11th to complete the remaining work and that work is ongoing.

Mr. Larry Lennon, Jr. said the Flood Mitigation grant programs, there is no change.

Mr. Larry Lennon, Jr. said the Stormwater Fee; directed everyone to Attachment C and said we reviewed this with the Committee and made the revisions which is a draft credit application for the Montour Soccer Complex for all of the stormwater treatment facilities that they are building there.

Mr. Schombert said it went from 248.5 ERU's to 188.

Mr. Lennon, Jr. said that is right.

Mr. Mihalyi made a motion to authorize the Engineer to proceed with granting stormwater credit for Montour Soccer Fields. Mr. Harris seconded the motion.

UPON ROLL CALL VOTE

- Mr. Mihalyi Yes
- Mr. Harris Yes
- Mr. Schombert Yes

Motion Carried.

Mr. Lennon, Jr. said we will issue that letter tomorrow.

SUPERINTENDENT REPORT

Mr. Rich Deems stated the total water produced for June 2021 was 10.8M gallons. The daily average demand for the system was 367,000 gallons per day. The number of gallons purchased for Euclid Ave. and Grace St. was 115,000 gallons for the month of June.

Water System

Mr. Deems said we replaced the sidewalk slab for 924 Fleming Steet following a service line replacement.

Mr. Deems said we did submit the certification for the risk and resilience plan to the EPA.

Mr. Deems said Lennon Smith already covered the CMP sampling.

Mr. Deems said we replaced a section of 4" main near 809 Wood Street because of a split in the water line. After cutting the water main apart it was noticed that it is severely tuberculated inside so I would recommend adding that to the list of things that need replaced.

Mr. Deems said I have been working with MTMA to replace a few water meters on West End. They are our water customers, and they bill them for sewer and they are in the process of adding radio reads everywhere, but they couldn't get their radio to work with our meter. Our meters are 20 years old in that area, so I just agreed to change them.

Mr. Deems said we replaced curb boxes for 802 Thorn Street and 738 Hiland Avenue.

Mr. Deems said we excavated a broken curb stop for 202 Broadway so we can shut off and cap the line for a property that was demolished.

Sanitary Sewer System

Mr. Deems said at the Montour Run emergency generator is now back in operation following the repairs.

Mr. Deems said we experienced another SSO towards the end of last month. During the rainfall we drove around and identified a couple of areas where water was going into manhole lids. We have ordered some manhole dishes to go under those lids to hopefully prevent that.

Storm System

Mr. Deems said Tri State Maintenance was here and continued cleaning the inlets and I think the majority of them are all done at this point.

Mr. Deems said there is an inlet on Pine Way near 623 5th Avenue that we had a complaint on and found debris in causing flooding problems in the alley. Tri State also took care of an inlet on Broadway near Bolea Oil where the roadway was flooding as well.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT

Mr. Nate Boring said the only thing that we have going on is the negotiations and I think that the entire agreement is set, it's just the wages. As of May 25th, we offered 3% in the first year and .65¢ each year after and we never heard a response.

Mr. McCutcheon said they still weren't happy, so I think that we need to meet. He continued to explain and a discussion pursued.

Mr. Nate Boring said the new agenda starts at the end of August and if you post the engineers report and the superintendent's report then the agenda can state any motion contemplated by these reports. He continued to explain and a discussion pursued.

OLD BUSINESS

There was no old business.

NEW BUSINESS

There was no new business.

CORRESPONDENCE

There was no correspondence.

Mr. Mihalyi made a motion to adjourn. Mr. Harris seconded the motion.
APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY BY VOICE VOTE.

MEETING ADJOURNED