

**POCONO TOWNSHIP SUPERVISORS
MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING
JULY 03rd, 2013, 6:00 P.M.**

The Special Sewer Meeting of the Pocono Township Supervisors was held on July 3rd, 2013 at the Pocono Township Municipal Building, Tannersville, Pa., and was opened by Chairman Frank Hess at 6:00 p.m. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COMMENTS FROM RESIDENTS: Chairman Frank Hess noted that each visitor has the right to comment at this time or before any action is taken on a matter.

ROLL CALL: Frank Hess, present; and Henry Bengel, present. Harold Werkheiser, absent.

Sam D'Alessandro, RKR Hess Associates; and Frank Froio, Twp. Administrator, were present.

MINUTES

H. Bengel made a motion, seconded by F. Hess, to approve the 06/18/2013 Sewer Meeting Minutes. Roll call vote: F. Hess, yes; and H. Bengel, yes. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF BILLS: H. Bengel made a motion, seconded by F. Hess to approve payment of the following invoices:

Blue Ridge Communications (PS# 4 Digital Phone Service) - **\$63.36**

Met-Ed - Acct. No. 100-089-861-569 (PS#4) - **\$257.50**

Pennoni Associates, Inc. - Expert Witness for Litigation - **\$12,469.20**

PPL - Acct. No. 919783-75006 (PS#1) - **\$99.24**

Acct. No. 99311-81000 (PS#2) - **\$65.97**

MetTel (PS #5 Phone Service for one month) - **\$45.84**

Sam's Club Inv. (General Fund) - **\$147.32**

Roll call vote: F. Hess, yes; and H. Bengel, yes. Motion carried.

SEWER EASEMENT JUST COMPENSATION

H. Bengel made a motion, seconded by H. Hess to approve payment of Just Compensation to Nicholas J. Psitos and Maria Psitos, his wife, in the amount of \$41,600.00 in full and complete settlement of any claims for Just Compensation as a result of the condemnation of sewer easements over the Scotrun Diner property, which condemnation is docketed to No. 1885 CV 2008 in the Court of Common Pleas of Monroe County, and authorized the Sewer Project Solicitor to enter into a Settlement Stipulation on behalf of the Township to conclude that settlement. Roll call vote: F. Hess, yes; and H. Bengel, yes. Motion carried.

CONNECTION NOTICES TO CUSTOMERS

H. Bengel made a motion, seconded by F. Hess, to approve the adoption of Resolution No. 2013-15 - Connection Procedures for Initial Service Area Customers, with the exception section 4D and amended to allow only sweep 90° & Tees. Roll call vote: F. Hess, yes; and H. Bengel, yes. Motion carried.

The fees for connection review, permitting and inspections will be added to the Township Fee Schedule.

PHASE I SEWER COLLECTION SYSTEM ITEMS

Contract No. 2 - The Contractor, Leeward Construction, had performed an investigative test dig of the section of pipe near Manhole MH#C-01-06 (near Scotrun on-ramp) and concluded that there was floatation of the sewerline within the steel casing. The Contractor had been asked for an estimate to verify the condition and to provide cost estimates for two options: 1) pump grout into the casing to prevent floatation of the sewerline and 2) remove and reinstall the sewerline within the casing with additional supports and spacers to prevent floatation of the sewerline.

The Contractor has also requested that the Township consider further negotiation of costs related to prior adjustments made to Manhole MH B2-1-04, near Alfredo's Pizza.

PHASE II SEWER COLLECTION SYSTEM ISSUES

Contract No. 3 - A meeting was held with the Contractor, Leeward Construction, on June 25 to discuss verification and resolution of deficiencies related to three (3) segments of sewer pipeline in the area of Citizens Bank, Switzerland Old World Gifts and Billy's Pocono Diner.

EXECUTIVE SESSION -

ADJOURNMENT - H. Bengel made a motion, seconded by F. Hess, to adjourn the meeting at 6:20 p.m. Roll call vote: F. Hess, yes; and H. Bengel, yes. Motion carried.