Pocono Township Board of Commissioners Sewer Committee Meeting Minutes December 5, 2022

The Sewer Committee meeting of the Pocono Township Commissioners was held on Monday, December 5, 2022 and was opened by Chairman Richard Wielebinski at 6:07 p.m., followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL: Jerrod Belvin, present; Ellen Gnandt, absent; Gerald J. Lastowski, present; Keith Meeker, present; Rich Wielebinski, present.

IN ATTENDANCE: Leo DeVito, Twp. Solicitor; Jon Tresslar, Twp. Engineer; Patrick Briegel, Sewer Consultant; and Krisann MacDougall, Assistant Secretary.

PUBLIC COMMENT – None

ANNOUNCEMENTS - None

HEARINGS - None

PRESENTATIONS – None

OLD BUSINESS

R. Wielebinski made a motion, seconded by J. Belvin, to approve the minutes of the November 7, 2022 sewer committee meeting. All in favor. Motion carried.

Sewer Resolution Update – No update.

NEW BUSINESS

FINANCIAL TRANSACTIONS - None

APPEALS – None

REPORTS

SEWER CONSULTANT

- Update Pump Station 5 Jockey Pump Project. All controls work is complete and continual test run of all the pumps is scheduled for next week.
- Update Deferred Lateral Connections Project. Last lateral associated with the boring under SR 611 is complete with exception of connection into the manhole.

J. Lastowski made a motion, seconded by R. Wielebinski, to approve an agreement with Multi-Dimensional Integration (MDI) for sewer system consultant engineering services. E. Gnandt asked whether this is budgeted. Clarification that this is to replace another contractor the Township already uses. R. Wielebinski asked if the contractor is local and whether solicitor should review the contract. J. Lastowski asked if the previous vendor was under the same terms. L. DeVito confirmed he reviewed the contract language. All in favor. Motion carried.

 Update – Extension of sewer service to Monroe Career & Technical Institute (MCTI). Stated it seems that the MCTI Board may not be prepared to move forward with the project at this time as originally anticipated. R. Wielebinski asked if the axe throwing location has connected to the system. P. Briegel stated they have been notified and they are on the clock for connecting within six months.

E. Gnandt asked whether the Township is in a holding pattern in regard to Tobyhanna and the Act 537 Plan. L. DeVito stated a letter is drafted and being sent to Tobyhanna requiring that they proceed with Act 537 planning as sewer capacity allocations currently stand.

COMMISSIONERS – None

ADMINISTRATION – None

SEWER ENGINEER

- Sanofi Sanitary Sewer Easement No update.
- Act 537 Plan No update.

TOWNSHIP SOLICITOR

- Tobyhanna Township Act 537 Capacity Request & Equalization (EQ) Tank. Already discussed above.
- Update Amendment to Intermunicipal Sewage Collection & Disposal Services Agreement. On hold pending litigation.

PUBLIC COMMENT – None

ADJOURNMENT

R. Wielebinski made a motion, seconded by J. Lastowski, to adjourn the meeting at 6:18 p.m. All in favor. Motion carried.