## MINUTES LOWER SWATARA TOWNSHIP MUNICIPAL AUTHORITY MAY 21, 2012

Chairman Gingrich called the Regular Meeting of the Lower Swatara Township Municipal Authority to order at 7:00 P.M. The record indicated the following officials in attendance:

- James R. Gingrich, Chairman
- Todd Truntz, Vice Chairman
- Charles A. High, Secretary
- Donald Martino, Asst. Secretary/Treasurer
- Matthew D. Cichy, Engineer
- Harry Krot, Township Manager
- Tracey L. Bechtel, Recording Secretary

Absent: Richard Wilkerson, Treasurer, and Peter Henninger, Solicitor.

Others in Attendance: Commissioner Thomas Mehaffie and Commissioner Jon Wilt.

Chairman Gingrich called the meeting to order and commented he hoped everyone enjoyed the tour of the Highspire WWTP.

A motion was made Mr. Martino, seconded by Mr. High to approve the April 23, 2012 Meeting Minutes. The motion was unanimously approved.

Amendment to the BW Partnership Agreement will be deferred to at next month's meeting. The Municipal Authority board agreed to grant relief from all future sewer charges at 2125 W. Harrisburg Pike based on the fact that Code Enforcement Officer, Glenn Snavely confirmed that the on-site well has been disconnected from the plumbing system as of May 11, 2012. The owner, Mohammad Khan will still be responsible for charges billed from September 6, 2011 to May 10, 2012.

**Engineer's Report:** Mr. Cichy distributed his monthly written report. Mr. Cichy reported that there were no invoices or updates to report with the Highspire Wastewater Treatment Plant upgrade project.

Invoices were received for the Middletown Wastewater Treatment Plant upgrade this month, engineering and legal fees were included and Lower Swatara's share of those cost totaled \$2,995.96. Mr. Cichy noted that included in the invoices received this month were invoices from Penn Waste, Inc. totaling \$9,742.00, of which Lower Swatara's share would be \$1,948.40. The Penn Waste invoices are described as "Waste Removal" for the period of March and April. Mr. Cichy placed an inquiry into these invoices to CET Engineering Services to determine if they truly are project cost, as they appear to be more of an operational cost. He is waiting on a response from CET.

Mr. Cichy asked the Board if they would like to tour the Middletown WWTP as well. The Board was in favor and Mr. Cichy indicated he will contact Middletown and try to schedule a tour for 6:00 PM prior to the June 25<sup>th</sup> meeting.

The design of the Jamesway Pump Station Improvements Project which includes the sewage grinder installation and associated components continues. We are reviewing locations for the sewage grinder hydraulic power pack on the main floor, but due to limited available floor space we may have to locate the hydraulic power pack on the exterior of the pump station in an enclosure. Schedule for completion of this project is to have a set of design documents including project drawings and specifications available for Township Staff review by June 11, 2012. Township Staff comments would then be incorporated and Final design documents are intended to be ready by June 25, 2012 for the Authority's authorization to proceed with the bid phrase.

No work has been performed during the past month for the Blacklatch Lane Sewer Replacement Project. HRG will be scheduling a field meeting with Township Staff to view the proposed alignment of the Blacklatch Lane Sewer replacement to determine if there are any significant structures or trees which may be impacted.

## **Solicitor's Report**: No Report.

<u>Manager's Report</u>: Mr. Krot reported that the Township was successful in the refinancing of the sewer bonds, yielding in a little over \$400,000.00 in savings.

A motion was made by Mr. High and seconded by Mr. Martino to approve the May expenses of the Sewer Revenue Fund in the amount of \$118,264.60. The motion was unanimously approved.

The next meeting is scheduled for Monday, June 25, 2012 at 7:00 P.M.

A motion was made by Mr. Martino and seconded by Mr. Truntz to adjourn. The motion was unanimously approved and the meeting adjourned at 7:19 P.M.

ATTEST:	
Tracey Bechtel	
Recording Secretary	