

Williamstown Borough Authority Meeting Minutes

September 5, 2012

Williamstown Borough Authority met Wednesday, September 5, 2012 in Council Chambers; Council Members present Chairman Gregory Showers, Vice Chairman Charles Croft Sr., Dennis English, Timothy Kessinger, Matthew Miller. Also attending were Solicitor Joseph Kerwin, Authority Manager Joseph D'Agostino, Secretary/Treasurer Lynne Daniel, and Engineer Representatives Joseph Bluge. Absent were Jeffery Rautzahn and David Neidlinger. Citizens present: Mark Challenger Jr., Mark Salak (Quandel) and Anrich Supervisor Rich Dobler.

Chairman Showers called the meeting to order at 7:00PM. The Pledge to the Flag was recited.

The minutes of August 1, 2012 were approved as written.

Citizen: Issue at hand the repairs needed on Umholtz Street during Anrich project, estimated at \$3,100. Quandel feels they are not responsible. Anrich supervisor present at the time was told to dress up/clean up the berms before they left and feels they did that. Authority believes the crane being used did the damage. Quandel stated this is speculation and nothing can be proven; their bottom line is they are not taking responsibility for any road repairs and feel it is unjust for the Authority to withhold final payment.

Joe Kerwin stated the ad for the new engineer was placed in the Sentinel and the Patriot News. Also letters of inquiry to a list of Engineers was sent requesting proposal – deadline October 1, 2012. The suggestion was made to form a committee responsible for reviewing applications. Committee members are Charles Croft, Sr., David Neidlinger and Tim Kessinger.

Rebid Update by Joe Bluge: Rebid completed with Mr. Rehab the low bidder at \$242,975.00. Authority raised a concern over the 2 projects being together on 1 bid. If the projects were bid separately there would be an approx. \$19,000 difference. It was decided to reject bids and rebid the projects separately. Joe stated they would do separate books, re-advertise as two separate projects. Tim Kessinger made a motion to approve, Charles seconded.

Anrich situation discussed, letter sent by Max Stoner (Glace) – Anrich not responsible for plow damage, believe it was an old manhole frame present when plow was damaged. We paid township \$1536.57 but since the incident occurred in 2010 it may be hard to prove.

It was determined only 3 properties were resurveyed at a cost of \$1500. And although Anrich states they were not aware of a lateral at the Heberling property they will cover the \$1002.00 paid to Drums for the installation. Anrich had previously agreed to pay for Dunlop's \$2,184.00 tap on fee and inspection due to the damage done on his property. As far as needed restoration/paving invoices from Miller Paving to be provided.

Joe Kerwin stated he will get with Joe D'Agostino to sketch plan for right-away for easement.

Joe Bluge reported at Elizabeth Street there are 2 holes that should have been grouted prior to lining, wants to do 2 pt. repair. Needs approval for change order from Elizabeth St to Division (\$2,973.00). Charles made motion to do repairs and D. English seconded.

Joe requested a direct swap on Walnut Street – goes from 8 inches to 6 inches and cannot be lined. Run down from Market to Walnut, the footage is the same. Croft made motion and Tim seconded.

Joe D'Agostino must do Ecoli Testing. Joe contacted DEP and we must do a sampling for Cryptosporidium and submit samples either once a month for two years or two times a month for one year. Motion was made to do the testing 2 times a month for 1 year by T. Kessinger, C. Croft seconded.

It was noted the permit for the waste water treatment plant expires in April, 2013, must start the renewal process.

Charles questioned why we are using Soda Ash again

Motion was made to approve the Bills and Payroll for August, 2012 by T. Kessinger, D. Neidlinger seconded.

Tim made motion to adjourn – Dennis English seconded

NEXT MEETING WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 3, 2012