

Silver Lake Township Municipal Authority  
February 27, 2019

Board Members present: Paul Adams, Julie Perlick, Rick Holgash, Carl Speicher and Dale Tifft. Also present: Sandy Brink, Michael Hester and Bernadette Kanna

Paul Adams called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

No changes to the Agenda.

Minutes from the January meeting were reviewed and approved on a motion made by Rick Holgash and seconded by Dale Tifft, all approved.

Julie Perlick gave Report of Secretary - report received from Tom Ankney for January (23.65 Hrs.) and February (25.75 Hrs.). Correspondence from First Energy regarding new projects.

Carl Speicher gave Report of Treasurer – Carl Speicher had a brief meeting to review financial reports with Bernadette Kanna. At this time of year there is not a lot of income being received. Some payments have been received from liens. Bernadette Kanna said she would ask the accountant how payments from liens should be recorded. There is one customer that has made one payment on last year's billing cycle. That customer is requesting a payment plan again for the upcoming annual billing cycle. It was suggested by Julie Perlick that the customer make smaller weekly payments. Carl Speicher asked about accepting credit card payments. Cash balance was up \$3,000 compared to a negative \$19,000 at this time last year. It was pointed out there were a lot of expenses last January 2018.

Bills were reviewed and approved for payment on a motion made by Julie Perlick and seconded by Rick Holash, all approved.

Bernadette Kanna gave Report of Customer Service – some payments received from liens that had been filed. There are several customers that are not making the payments per the payment agreement and may need to start the lien process again for those customers. Computer is no longer working. Dale Tifft made a motion to purchase a new computer for an amount up to \$600, Carl Speicher seconded, all approved. Bernadette asked for the annual newsletter so she will have time to get it printed in time to go out with the annual billing. Julie Perlick will work on the newsletter. Carl Speicher gave Bernadette the Municipal Authority debit card. Julie Perlick made a motion to authorize Bernadette Kanna to use the card for Municipal Authority purchases, Dale Tifft seconded, all approved. PA 1 Call was contacted to get our area mapped, which should begin to limit those calls.

Michael Hester gave the Report of the Operator – Everything is working. Both lagoons are within permit limits for ammonia levels.

Unfinished business: Paul Adams and Dale Tifft met with representatives from DEP regarding the new Laurel Lake/Pops Hobby Lake permit daily testing. These new testing regulations would be costly to the Municipal Authority. Each time water is discharged, it must be tested. DEP suggested not discharging every day. Mike Hester did not feel this would save the Municipal Authority money. Board will go back to DEP and ask for an exception process. Once the new permit is received, whatever testing requirements are detailed in the permit must be followed. DEP acknowledged that the daily testing

requirements may not be of any benefit to the environment and recommended increasing the annual cost to customers to cover the cost of the daily testing. Carl Speicher suggesting a follow-up letter to DEP and include State Representative Jonathan Fritz and Senator Gene Yaw. If daily testing is required we may need to construct an area to allow for easier access to testing.

The Board recognized that the Website is still not up to date. Paul Adams will follow up on how to get all of the past meeting minutes loaded.

There are tanks that are taking on ground water. If tanks are checked and it is discovered there is a problem with ground water getting in the tank, the customer will have 60 days to get it repaired. It will be explained to the customer that if the tank is not repaired and there is a problem the Municipal Authority will not be able to assist until the repair is completed.

No New Business.

As no further business was presented, Dale Tifft made a motion to adjourn, Rick Holgash seconded, all approved.