

Silver Lake Township Municipal Authority

August 27, 2019

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

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

There were no changes to the Agenda.

No Executive Session was held.

There was no July meeting due to a lack of a quorum due to medical issues.

Carl Speicher made a motion to approve the June minutes, Paul Adams seconded, approved.

Julie Perlick gave the Report of Secretary: Board Members received several invitations to conferences, Foster Law Office provided a list of delinquent tax notices. The list did not contain any of the Authority customers. Bankruptcy notice received for customer on Laurel Lake, PA; 811 notice for Locator Training and meeting dates.

Carl Speicher gave the Report of the Treasurer: The finance committee met on Monday and reviewed the financial reports. Revenue is up approximately \$40,000 compared to last year – mostly from the payment of two liens at Laurel Lake, and more customers have paid on time this year. Expenses were down by approximately \$20,000. The Audit for 2018 has been completed and reports received.

Julie Perlick made a motion to pay the bills as submitted, Carl Speicher seconded, approved.

No Report of Coordinator received – Tom Ankney is on vacation.

Bernadette Kanna gave the Report of Customer Service: There was a question on the easement section that appears on the application for new service. The section was not signed. Bernadette asked if the easement is recorded in the deed. Board recommended she contact the solicitor for answers.

There was discussion on how long the Board should wait before a lien is placed on a property. Board felt the procedure for liens should be amended to reflect that a lien will be filed when there is no payment received on an account for two annual payments. In August the billing will be reviewed and notice sent to anyone that has not paid to advise them a lien will be filed in that second year. Dale Tifft made a motion to approve the lien procedure, Julie Perlick seconded, approved.

Bernadette Kanna said there are two customers who recently set up payment agreements. Also, Paul Adams called Kevin at Site Specific to make sure that they detail the invoices better when we buy packaged items. Also, Kevin will come to the October meeting to meet with the Board.

Mike Hester gave the Report of the Operator: The semi-annual flow calibration has been completed. Sludge judging has been done and the results will be forwarded to the engineer for recommendations. New blower has replaced the one that was so noisy at Laurel Lake. Blue Book has agreed there is a problem with the blower that was so loud and has agreed to pay to have it returned to them to look at. Line has been replaced with a stainless steel line which is more durable. Gary Rounds has given an estimate to clean up 15 ft area on the west end of the property at Quaker Lake lagoon. Trees will be

removed. The area will then be banked to allow for drainage. Dale Tifft made a motion to accept the proposal from Gary Rounds, Carl Speicher seconded, all approved.

Mike Hester said DEP is beginning to require backup generators be installed in the event of extended power outages. Most of the pumps have been repaired. The SLTMA now has three new pumps and 6 re-built pumps. There may be 3 more that can be re-built.

Unfinished business: New permit regulations will have to be followed. Board has tried to get to convince DEP to lift some of the new testing. New permit has not been received yet.

Mike Hester estimates the new testing requirements will cost approximately \$1,700 at Laurel/Pops Hobby Lake. Some of the testing Mike Hester will be able to complete and the rest will need to be sent out for testing.

As no further business was presented, Dale Tifft made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Julie Perlick seconded, approved.