PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES February 20, 2024

The meeting of the Public Utilities Committee was called to order at 8:05 p.m. by Chairman Keith Endy. Present in addition to Mr. Endy were committee members Thomas McHugh, Jarid Miller, and ex-officio member Frank Deery.

Also in attendance were Jeffrey Cascino, Councilman; Lorraine Carnes, Mayor; Patricia Loder, Borough Manager; Bruce Hansley, Street Supervisor; Ralph Schoenly and Alex Eidle, Inframark, LLC; and Jason Newhard, SSM, Inc.

Mr. Endy called for public comment on the agenda; no comments were forthcoming.

A motion to approve the minutes of the January 23, 2024 meeting of the committee was made by Mr. Endy, seconded by Mr. Miller, and approved.

Inframark Report – Water and Sewer

Mr. Schoenly reviewed the operator's report for January 2024. The complete report is on file in the administrative office.

Spotts, Stevens & McCoy Report

Mr. Newhard reviewed the engineers' report for January 2024. The complete report is on file in the administrative office.

Mr. Newhard informed the committee that a preconstruction meeting for the Madison Street Sewer Replacement Project was held on February 8th. Doli requested approval to begin work after the close of the school year. Mr. Newhard advised that we agreed to the request and work will begin on June 3rd, 2024. Doli understands that the project has to be completed by September 30th, 2024.

Mr. Newhard also advised the committee that he has prepared specifications for maintenance of the water tanks. Date for receipt of bids has not yet been determined. Upon receipt of bids they will be presented to the committee for consideration and a recommendation to Borough Council.

Unfinished Business – Water and Sewer

There was no unfinished business to conduct.

New Business – Water and Sewer

There was new business to conduct.

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Public Comment

Mr. Endy called for public comment and recognized Mrs. Loder who addressed the committee on the condition of Scoops Way at the Community Park. Mrs. Loder informed the committee that she has been contacted by a Boyertown Midget Baseball League representative who inquired if the Borough is planning to resurface Scoops Way. The league has utility openings in Scoops Way that need to be restored; however, they are questioning the overall condition of the area and the Borough's plans for repaving. Following discussion, it was agreed that committee members will look at Scoops Way and discuss this matter further at the March committee meeting. Mrs. Loder was directed to advise the league to hold off on restoration of the utility openings pending further discussion on the subject at the March committee meeting. This matter will be included on the agenda of the March Public Works Committee Meeting.

There being no further business to conduct a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:45 p.m. was made by Mr. Endy, second by Mr. Miller. The next meeting of the Public Utilities Committee will be held on Tuesday, March 19th, 2024 at 7:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Patricia A. Loder Borough Manager