## **Williamstown Borough Authority Meeting Minutes**

## **January 8, 2014**

Williamstown Borough Authority met Wednesday, January 8, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. in Council Chambers. Council Members present were Chairman Gregory Showers, Vice Chairman Charles Croft, Sr., Matthew Miller, Dave Neidlinger, Tim Kessinger, Dennis Raho, Mark Challenger Jr., Secretary Lynne Daniel, Interim Manager John Bender, Uni-Tek Representative Pat Ward.

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

Uni-Tek Engineering Representative Pat Ward took over the meeting. The reappointment of all officers was discussed. Tim Kessinger made a motion to keep all positions as is, Matt Miller  $2^{nd}$ , all in favor.

Chairman Greg Showers took over the meeting and the minutes of the December 4, 2013 meeting were approved as written.

The 2014 Budget had to be reviewed and adjusted. It was decided to increase the revenues to cover the shortfall. Tim Kessinger made a motion to adopt the 2014 Budget, Dave Neidlinger 2<sup>nd</sup>, all in favor.

Solicitor Joe Kerwin there is an outstanding bill due Mette, Evans for bonding due from the initial RUS funds received and must be paid. Joe also had a request from the logger to bring shavings down to the borough brush pile. Joe will look into further.

Uni-Tek's Pat Ward presented a proposal for modifications to the Magnesium Hydroxide Deliver System. The estimated cost would be \$2,275.00 and the main issue with the current system and procedures is safety. Dave Neidlinger made a motion to move forward with the proposal, Dennis Raho 2<sup>nd</sup>, all in favor. Pat also presented training opportunities being offered by PSAB and PMMA's offer to give us 2014 membership at no cost.

John Bender, Interim Manager gave his report. John gave his recommendations for the hiring of personnel for the water and sewer departments. Options were discussed and John will create different advertisements for various position possibilities. Matt Miller made a motion to approve advertising and to start the hiring process, Tim Kessinger  $2^{nd}$ , all in favor. John also requested permission to scrap out expired parts and renew service contracts with various vendors. Tim Kessinger made motion, Dennis Raho  $2^{nd}$ , all in favor.

Delinquents were reviewed it was decided to lower the cut-off amount to \$100.00 next quarter billing. It was also decided to increase the water rates starting with the  $2^{nd}$  quarter, 2014 billing period. The increase will be \$3.00 monthly or \$9.00 quarterly. Matt Miller made a motion to approve increasing rates, Dave Neidlinger  $2^{nd}$ , all in favor.

Dave Neidlinger made a motion to pay the bills, Matt Miller  $2^{nd}$ , all in favor. Dave Neidlinger made a motion to adjourn at 8:40, Matt Miller  $2^{nd}$ , all in favor.

## **NEXT MEETING WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 5, 2014**

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