

RICHLAND TOWNSHIP WATER AUTHORITY
MINUTES
July 9, 2020

Via Conference Call

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Ken Mitchell, Chairman. Other Board members present by phone were Chris Vanelli, Brian Foster and Bill Rosson. Gary Yakub did not participate. Tim Arnold, Executive Director/Operator; attended the meeting at the Township meeting room. Lauren Gallagher, Solicitor, was present by phone. Sean Gore, Technician; and Mark Bahnick, Van Cleef Engineering, were not in attendance.

Tim reported that there was no one from the public in attendance. He also did not receive any questions by email before the meeting.

MINUTES

Motion **Bill Rosson made a motion to approve the minutes from the meeting of June 11, 2020. Ken Mitchell seconded the motion. All agreed, except for Brian Foster who abstained.**

PRESENTATION OF BILLS

There were three unpaid bills that did not appear on Invoices for Approval.

Motion **Chris Vanelli made a motion to approve the June bills and payroll including the three additional bills. Brian Foster seconded the motion. All agreed.**

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Richlandtown Borough

- We visit the pump stations twice a day for chlorine residual monitoring
- Second quarter arsenic sample results were 5 ppb at Union and less than 1 ppb at Walnut. The media at Walnut had been replaced recently. The MCL is 10 ppb.
- Second quarter SOC samples were taken, all were compliant.

Updates on Pump Stations

Tim A provided a report on the Authority's facilities:

Walnut Bank Farm:

- Normal daily operations and maintenance
- The impeller and coupling for booster pump #2 were replaced.
- There was a problem with the SCADA system on well #3. ACS replaced two antennas, the radio and the cable.

Sweetbriar:

- Normal daily operations and maintenance
- The impeller and gate valve for booster pump #2 were replaced.
- The panel board and the emergency shut off switch on the generator were replaced.

Richland Court:

- Normal daily operations and maintenance
- A coupling for the reclaim pump was replaced.

Paletown Road well:

- Normal daily operations and maintenance

Sampling

- Monthly coliform samples were taken
- Second quarter arsenic sample results were 5 ppb at Sweetbriar, 2 ppb at Richland Court, and 4 ppb at Walnut Bank Farm. The MCL is 10 ppb.
- Second quarter SOC samples were taken, all were compliant.
- Radiological samples were taken, all were compliant.
- We are not required to take lead and copper samples this year.

Miscellaneous

On July 6, Tim and Sean started installing radio transceiver units in the Hunters Crossing development. A letter was sent to the residents to inform them of the work.

There was a valve leak on N. Penrose Street on a 4" line that was installed by the EPA. It was repaired on June 29.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT

Lauren pointed out that the meeting and all public notices have been conducted consistent with the guidelines of Senate Bill 841 and the Office of Open Records of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

ENGINEER'S REPORT

No report.

OPERATIONS REPORT

Water usage continues to increase. The system is handling the greater demand very well.

Well #3 at Walnut Bank Farm was not used much last month due to the SCADA problem.

Customer Care Calls:

1. Quakers Way – low pressure. The problem was the PRV.
2. Arbour Lane 1 – low pressure. The problem was the PRV.
3. Arbour Lane 2 – low pressure. The problem was the PRV. The meter was also replaced. Tim received an email from the homeowner who appreciated the service they received.

Motion **Ken Mitchell made a motion to adjourn at 7:18 p.m. Chris Vanelli seconded the motion. All agreed.**

Respectfully submitted,
Dianne McLane
Recording Secretary