

Maidencreek Township Authority
July 18, 2024

Attending Board Members: Jack May, Jim Nothwehr, Tom Evanosky, Roger Sensenig, Dawn Geschwindt

Also Attending: Greg Unger and Ty Leinneuber of SDE, Daniel Becker of Kozloff Stoudt, Patrick Donovan, Ray Palumbo, Debbie Kline and Tania Beerman of the Maidencreek Township Authority.

Jim Nothwehr called the July 18, 2024 meeting of the Maidencreek Township Authority (MTA) to order at 11:06 a.m. at the Maidencreek Township Municipal Building and asked everyone to rise for the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

PUBLIC COMMENT – None.

Tour of Waste Water Treatment Plant

The Board Members toured the Waste Water Treatment Plant on June 28, 2024 at 1:15 p.m. with Russell Stoudt. The Board Members did not deliberate or discuss any Authority business.

PLAN REVIEW

Crossing at Maidencreek

Patrick Donovan reported to the Board that Mr. Caloiero paid the outstanding balance of \$5,682.92 for developer review fees.

Wolfson Group

Mr. Becker completed the drafts for the Pump Station Agreement, Sewer and Water Service Agreement, and the Contribution Agreement and shared them with Patrick Donovan and Ty Leinneuber. Mr. Becker will schedule a meeting with Mr. Donovan and Mr. Leinneuber to discuss their comments on the draft agreements. Mr. Becker spoke to the attorney for Maiden Creek Associates to provide a status update on the agreements. Mr. Becker stated they are anxious to move forward. Mr. Leinneuber stated he received pump station plans that are 90% complete. He stated he will review the design plan and the land development plan to confirm they are the same, but he will not do a full review of the pump station because it is a private system.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

A motion was made by Dawn Geschwindt to waive the reading of the minutes and approve the June 20, 2024 regular monthly meeting minutes as presented. The motion was seconded by Roger Sensenig and hearing no questions on the motion, it passed unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

Automatic Transfer Switch

Mr. Unger of SDE reported a meeting with Pagoda Electrical, Inc. was held on Monday to finalize the sequence of construction to ensure the plant will be fully operational. Mr. Unger will provide an update to the Board once the exact sequence is finalized. Mr. Unger anticipates an earlier start date than September and reports the Authority will save money on the rental fee of the existing equipment.

UV Installation

Mr. Unger of SDE reported the exact schedule for the UV installation is not yet known. He anticipates it will be scheduled for the first week of August and reported everything is going according to plan.

Ontelaunee Township Easement

Ty Leinneweber stated ARRO has provided documents to satisfy engineering concerns to ensure the spillway is adequately sized. They have also added two outlet structures with a level spreader to discharge water before it goes over the spillway. The documentation satisfies SDE's concern that there is not too much water going over the spillway and that it will not erode between the berm and Willow Creek. Mr. Donovan reported that he has communicated via email with Ontelaunee Township requesting an Easement Agreement to clearly outline the property, indemnification, and both parties' responsibilities. To date, Mr. Becker has not heard from Ontelaunee Township's solicitor regarding the Easement Agreement.

A motion was made by Tom Evanosky to approve the requested easement at the waste water treatment plant to Ontelaunee Township subject to the solicitor, engineer and general manager's acceptance of a satisfactory Easement Agreement. The Motion was seconded by Jack May and hearing no questions on the motion, it passed unanimously.

Well 6 & 7

Patrick Donovan notified Ty Leinneweber that topsoil was being removed at Well 6 & 7 by Blooming Glen Contractors. Ty Leinneweber contacted the contractor and confirmed three loads of topsoil were removed. Mr. Leinneweber has notified the contractor that topsoil is not to be removed from the site. SDE will now require an inspector to be present onsite full time when the contractor is onsite. The inspector will notify SDE if anything is removed from the site.

Ty Leinneweber reported the sanitary sewer pipes are installed and connection to the existing manholes will be completed when the control building is brought online. A 12-inch line is installed from the fire hydrant at Main Street to the 48-inch contact pipe location. Mr. Leinneweber anticipates the site work will be completed by the time winter begins, and the project should be completed by the middle of next year.

A motion was made by Roger Sensenig to authorize an on-site inspector full time at Well 6 & 7 when Blooming Glen Contractors, Inc. is at the work site. The motion was seconded by Dawn Geschwindt and hearing no questions on the motion, it passed unanimously.

Blooming Glen Contractors, Inc. submitted Pay Application No. 6 Requisition No. 4 for payment. The request was for \$198,913.61 with a balance to finish of \$2,651,330.28, which includes 10% retainage for the amount of work completed to date.

A motion was made by Jack May to approve and authorize payment of the Blooming Glen Contractors, Inc. Application for General/Mechanical Payment No. 4 in the amount of \$198,913.61 upon review and approval of SDE. The motion was seconded by Tom Evanosky and hearing no questions on the motion, it passed unanimously.

Rogers Mechanical Company has provided Change Order 2 for revision to intake Louver and adding ceiling exhaust grille in Lab Room 101. Change Order 2 will increase the contract amount by \$1,103.00. SDE requested approval by the Board to accept and pay this change order.

A motion was made by Dawn Geschwindt to authorize and sign Change Order 2 for Rogers Mechanical Company, Contract C in the amount of \$1,103.00. The motion was seconded by Roger Sensenig and hearing no questions on the motion, it passed unanimously.

Blooming Glen Contractors has provided Change Order 4 for revision for the installation of the MRC (Managed Release Concept) to include an underdrain system to allow the stormwater basin to infiltrate. This change order was a result of the stormwater basin failing the infiltration testing. SDE Engineering requested approval by the Board to accept and pay this change order.

A motion was made by Roger Sensenig to authorize and sign Change Order 4 for Blooming Glen Contractors, Inc. in the amount of \$10,882.30. The motion was seconded by Dawn Geschwindt and hearing no questions on the motion, it passed unanimously.

Notice to Adjacent Property Owners at Phillips Farm

Ray Palumbo reported to the Board the Authority received an email from a neighbor adjacent to the Phillips Farm that one of the Authority's tree branches fell and damaged their fence during a storm. Mr. Becker stated the MTA is responsible for their trees on the property line and offered to contact the MTA insurance provider if necessary. The Authority authorized SDE to mark the property lines based on the current survey with colored flags. Ray Palumbo will obtain quotes from arborists to evaluate each tree on the property line to see if the trees are healthy or need to be removed. The colored flags will identify the Authority's property line in hopes of the neighbors removing their personal property from the MTA property. Ray Palumbo will notify the neighbors with a public notice to be mailed to all adjacent property owners on Cornerstone Drive and Henry Drive regarding tree evaluation, property line, and removal of personal property from the MTA property.

A motion was made by Jack May to authorize System Design Engineering to mark the MTA property line with flags and to send the approved public notice to all adjacent property owners at the Phillips Farm to notify. The motion was seconded by Dawn Geschwindt and hearing no questions on the motion, it passed unanimously.

Stratix Systems

Ray Palumbo will update the Board next month to confirm if Stratix Systems allows pre-purchased hours to be rolled over into the following year. The Board instructed the general manager to contact PointSolve Technology to compare services and pricing with that of Stratix Systems.

Reservoir Spillway

Ty Leinweber reported he met with DEP onsite and they are in favor of breaching the dam. DEP wants us to relocate the stream where the original stream was located. DEP wants us to make the stream as wide as we can within the floodway so we can keep the high flows down. DEP does not feel breaching the reservoir will cause any flooding conditions because there is no retention in the

reservoir. SDE has delineated the wetlands at the request of DEP. SDE will send a clearance letter to Fish & Boat that bog turtles are outside of the work area.

Meter Setter Failures

Tabled.

July Shut-Off List

A motion was made by Jack May to approve the July Shut-Off list as presented. The motion was seconded by Roger Sensenig and hearing no questions on the motion, it passed unanimously.

July 2023 Flood Damage

Ty Leinneuber reported that Empire Services has started work on the project to raise the berm. The manhole rims have been raised to final grade.

Leak Reduction Request

Oscar Soto, 432 Eagle Drive, Blandon

A motion was made by Dawn Geschwindt to authorize a one-time leak reduction per MTA policy for Oscar Soto, 432 Eagle Drive. The motion was seconded by Jack May and hearing no questions on the motion, it passed unanimously.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS – None.

UPDATES

Muhlenberg Interconnection

Mr. Becker completed the revisions to the Memorandum of Understanding and forwarded it to Muhlenberg Township's solicitor, Tom Rothermel, for his review. Mr. Becker is awaiting a response from Mr. Rothermel and continues to move forward in completing the Memorandum of Understanding.

Sewer Overflow Evaluation

Matt Peleschak of SDE has reported to Patrick Donovan and Ray Palumbo that the project is moving forward and he is getting pricing to accomplish the tasks that needs to be completed.

Additional Information

James Nothwehr, Chairman of the Board, would like to review the Authority's five-year plan with the current Board and new members before Patrick Donovan retires.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT

None.

ENGINEER'S REPORT

SDE submitted a written report.

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AUTHORITY REPORT

Mr. Donovan had nothing further to add.

PAYMENT OF BILLS

A motion was made by Tom Evanosky to accept the Treasurer's Report and authorize the following payments as presented: Routine/Regular Bill List - \$41,742.11, Construction in Progress - \$14,096.75, Reimbursable Expenses Paid by Developer - \$0, CIP Account Transfer from Operator Acct - \$14,000.00, Payroll Account Transfer from Operator Acct - \$45,000.00, Emergency Account Transfer from Operator Acct - \$15,000.00, Validate Checks Signed Between Meetings - \$0, Special Checks Requiring Special Handling - \$24,791.66, Additional Checks after Board Book Delivery - \$12,063.01 for a total amount of \$151,693.53. Roger Sensenig seconded the motion and hearing no questions on the motion, it passed unanimously.

Executive Session – The MTA Board went into executive session at 12:21 p.m. to 1:01 p.m. to discuss personnel items.

The MTA Board came out of executive session at 1:01 p.m. No action was taken.

A motion was made by Dawn Geschwindt and seconded by Tom Evanosky to adjourn the meeting at 12:56 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Tania Beerman

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Recording Secretary

Minutes are subject to change prior to approval of the Maidencreek Township Authority.

cc:	Maidencreek Township Authority Board	Maidencreek Township Board of Supervisors
	Patrick Donovan, Maidencreek Township Authority General Manager	Maidencreek Township Planning Commission
	Greg Unger, Systems Design Engineering, Inc., MTA Engineer	Daniel Becker, Kozloff Stoudt, MTA Solicitor
	Maidencreek Township Manager	Maidencreek Township Authority Plant Operators
	Ontelaunee Township	