

BOROUGH OF SLATINGTON

The **Water, Sewer/Solid Waste, and Highway Committee Workshop Meetings** were held on **August 15, 2016** in Council Room, 125 South Walnut Street, Slatington, PA. The meeting was called to order by Councilor Bob Steets at 6:30 PM with the following in attendance:

<u>PRESENT</u>	<u>ABSENT</u>	<u>OTHERS</u>	<u>VISITORS</u>
Bryon Reed		Larry Turoscy	Mel Gildner (Did no sign in)
Bob Steets		Gwyneth Jones	Carol Gildner (Did not sign in)
David Schnaars		Duane Dellecker	Lynne Ehrich
		Joseph Wechsler	
		Tom Anewalt, Esq.	
		Duane Szczesny	

PUBLIC COMMENT: Lynne Ehrich signed in and was recognized to speak. Ms. Ehrich and her husband own PA Slatecraft, a business located at 267 Main Street. She submitted a written request for a 30 minute loading zone at the on-street parking space nearest the Main & Walnut Street traffic signal in front of their business. The Committee supported this idea and asked for this item to be placed on the next Borough Council agenda.

A. SEWER/SOLID WASTE

Bob Steets – Chairman; Members: Bryon Reed, David Schnaars

1. Operator Report – The Committee discussed the operator report dated June 2016. Mr. Szczesny’s report discussed the following:
 - A. Axiom – Pump #1 – Rebuild and Change Out – A quote of \$9,750 was received from Axiom to rebuild pump #2. Also, a quote of \$2,830 was received from Axiom to Change Out pump #1 with rebuilt pump. The Committee supported this project and asked for this item to be placed on the next Borough Council agenda.
 - B. Axiom – Valve Replacement – A quote of \$14,315 was received from Axiom to replace 2 valves in confined space & vac clean the pump house. The Committee supported this project and asked for this item to be placed on the next Borough Council agenda.
 - C. Mr. Rehab – WWTP Outfall Pipe Liner – A quote of \$23,400 was received from Mr. Rehab to clean and prep 14” effluent line from the manhole outside the WWTP to outfall and install CIPP liner approximately 390 linear feet. This project will require bidding. The Operator and the Office Manager will work on preparing bid documents.
 - D. JWC Environmental – Comminutor (Muffin Monster) – A quote of \$20,601 was received from JWC Environmental to replace the muffin monster at the pump station. This piece of equipment protects the pumps from grit and other materials working their way through the pump house. This is a precise replacement, therefore bidding is not required. The Committee supported this project and asked for this item to be placed on the next Borough Council agenda.

- E. Insulate & Backfill around Trickling Filters – The operator has met with several contractors and is waiting for quotes on this project.
- F. Install Sump Pumps at Metering Manholes – The operator is waiting for quotes on this project.

A discussion was had on project progression. The Operator suggested valve replacement, pump change out and then replacing the comminutor being the order projects should be completed.

- 2. Anaerobic to Aerobic – At the special meeting with ARRO on August 1, 2016, ARRO estimated a cost of \$3,000 to prepare DEP paperwork to change this process. This price does not include design costs. A discussion ensued regarding the Schreiter and the ARRO reports. The Committee agreed to work on converting the process from anaerobic to aerobic and asked for this item to be placed on the next Borough Council agenda.
- 3. CFA Grant – PA Small Water & Sewer Grant Program – The Committee discussed submitting an application for changing the WWTP from anaerobic to aerobic. Due to cost, this will need to be a phased approach. ARRO has agreed to assist with this application if the Borough is willing to provide a level of confidence that ARRO would receive the design work once the grant is received. The Committee supported grant submittal and asked for this item to be place on the next Borough Council agenda.

Being no further questions from the committee members, the Sewer/Solid Waste Committee meeting was adjourned.

B. WATER/SPECIAL SEWER

Bryon Reed – Chairman; Members: Bob Steets, David Schnaars

- 1. South Street Water Line Replacement – Larry Turoscy reported the bid documents should be completed for the next Borough Council meeting agenda.
- 2. PLC System Replacement for Water Plant – Nothing to Report.
- 3. Water Plant – Property Lines – According to a recent survey, a well on property across from the Water Plant encroaches on Borough property by 1.35 feet. The Solicitor will prepare an encroachment agreement.

Being no further questions from the committee members, the Water/Special Sewer Committee Meeting was adjourned.

C. HIGHWAY

David Schnaars – Chairman; Members: Bryon Reed, Bob Steets

- 1. Parking – Main Street & Parking lot – Councilor Schnaars reported that he finds the regulations to be in order. However, adding “10pm-7am” after the section “no trespassing except for vehicles with valid permits” should clarify any confusion. The signs should be updated accordingly. The Committee also asked if the police could step up patrolling parking lots for overnight parking violations.
- 2. Chestnut Alley Paving Petition – Larry Turoscy prepared an estimate of \$29,156.43 for improving this alley. In addition, he suggested developing a priority list of alleys

and that perhaps one or two could be paved each year. The estimated cost is \$50 per lineal feet at 14' wide. The Committee supported budgeting in 2017 for improvements to Chestnut Alley and Middle Alley from the Bank to Church Street.

3. Street Tree Maintenance – Councilor Schnaars asked the Office Manager to contact the landscaper who installed the street trees for suggested street tree maintenance.
4. Alley at Silletco Fence Co – Councilor Schnaars informed the Committee of a water drainage complaint along Long Alley at the Silletco Fence building at the corner of Franklin Street. The Franklin Street paving corrected some of the water drainage. The property owner requested additional improvements along Long Alley. After discussion, the Committee felt this was a private property issue dealing with the natural grade of other properties in the neighborhood.

There were no further questions from the committee members, and so the Highway Committee Meeting was adjourned.

Councilor Schnaars adjourned the meeting at 8:28 pm.

Karen Gill
Assistant Borough Secretary