

BOROUGH OF SLATINGTON

The **Special Meeting** of Council was held on **Monday, August 1, 2016**, at 6:30 PM. in Council Chambers, 125 S. Walnut Street, Slatington, PA 18080.

Presiding: Gwyneth A. Jones, President

The meeting was called to order by President Jones at 6:35 P.M. with the following in attendance:

ROLL CALL:

<u>PRESENT</u>	<u>ABSENT</u>	<u>OTHERS</u>	<u>VISITORS</u>
Gwyneth Jones	None	Mayor Neidermeyer	Kelly Brenner (ARRO)
Joseph Wechsler		Duane Dellecker	Alex Morrison (ARRO)
Bryon Reed		John Bolton	
David Schnaars		Duane Szczesny	
Bob Steets			
Jon Rinker			
Mike Brogan			

A moment of silence was called in memory of Ted Kistler who recently passed away.

EXECUTIVE SESSION – None

PUBLIC COMMENT (Agenda and Non-Agenda items) - Nothing at this time.

BUSINESS

1. Wastewater Treatment Plant Evaluation Report – ARRO representatives presented the WWTP evaluation report. They recommend the aerobic option with the following short term action items:
 - a. Insulate & backfill around trickling filters.
 - b. Re-line effluent discharge pipe to river.
 - c. Sludge digestion – thickening the sludge can save \$60,000 per year in hauling costs.
 - d. Security fencing along the trail.
 - e. Install sub pumps at metering manholes.
 - f. Anaerobic to aerobic requires approval & construction permit from DEP.

Councilor Reed asked if ARRO was aware of DEP tightening discharge rules in regards to the NPDES permit. ARRO encouraged the Council not to guess what rules changes may come out of the DEP, EPA, DRBC or the Chesapeake Bay Commission. The changes recommended in their report are solid suggestions for a 5-year capital improvements program to improve efficiency and maintenance of the WWTP.

2. Sanitary Sewer Collection & Conveyance System I & I Proposal – ARRO presented a four-task plan to address the Inflow & Infiltration of the sewer collection system. Task I - develop a plan to clean & televise lines; Task II – develop specifications for Task I; Task III – prepare bidding services. ARRO recommends using PennBid for bidding this project; and Task IV – Prepare and I&I reduction plan. Councilor Schnaars made a motion, duly seconded by Councilor Wechsler, to approve the ARRO I&I proposal at a cost not to exceed \$29,800. President Jones declared the motion passed following a Roll Call, Voting as Follows:

ROLL CALL	<u>AYE</u>	<u>NAY</u>	<u>ABSTAIN</u>
Gwyneth Jones	Bob Steets	Bryon Reed	None
Jon Rinker	Joseph Wechsler		
David Schnaars	Mike Brogan		

ARRO will work with John Bolton, Duane Szczesny & Joe Wechsler to complete this project.

3. Electric Energy Suppliers – Councilor Reed reported our current cost for electricity is 6.4 cents per kilowatt hour. Our current usage is approximately 700K kilowatts hours per year. The contract with our current supplier will expire in February 2017. Councilor Reed will contact our current supplier and plans to have price quotes for the August Council meeting.

COURTESY TO THE FLOOR (Agenda Items Only)

EXECUTIVE SESSION – None

There being no further business to discuss, President Jones declared the meeting adjourned at 8:07 P.M.

Karen Gill, Assistant Secretary Treasurer