Maidencreek Township Authority
November 13, 2014

Present: Earl Rothermel, Karl Bolognese, Daniel Novakovich, Marie Coraluzzi, James Nothwehr, Patrick Donovan – General Manager, Gregory Unger – Systems Design Engineering Inc., Daniel Becker – Kozloff Stoudt and Meagan Dompkowski – recording secretary

Guests: Kevin Manmiller, Diane Hollenbach, Steve Moyer

Earl Rothermel called the November 13, 2014 meeting of the Maidencreek Township Authority to order at 11:00 a.m. in the Maidencreek Township Municipal Building and asked everyone to rise for the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

PUBLIC COMMENT
Kevin Manmiller – Giorgio Foods

Kevin Manmiller of Giorgio Foods came to ask the Authority Board to sign the drawings of the recombined property where St. Matthew's had planned to build a church. The St. Matthew's plan fell through and Giorgio wants to recombine the subdivided properties and record the land development plans. The Solicitor did not see the need for the Board to sign because it had no impact on the Authority currently, but feels that Greg Unger should review the plans first. Mr. Unger feels there should be a note on the plans that say it is a non-building lot, but will review the drawings to make sure there is nothing for the Authority to worry about before the Board signs or not.

A motion was made by Karl Bolognese to approve the drawings contingent upon Greg's review. The motion was seconded by Dan Novakovich and hearing no questions on the motion, it passed unanimously.

PLAN REVIEW STATUS

Esbenshade's Greenhouses – Patrick Donovan reported that the backflow prevention device is installed and SDE needs to inspect it. Greg Unger will be scheduling the inspection of the backflow prevention device soon.

Village at Summit Crest Phase 2 – Nothing to report. Waiting for invoices.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

A motion was made by Karl Bolognese to waive the reading of the minutes and approve the October 9, 2014 regular meeting minutes as presented. The motion was seconded by Dan Novakovich and hearing no questions on the motion, it passed unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

MXU Proposal and Meter Installs

Patrick Donovan reported that he had talked to LB Water and there are still 1,500 meters to be installed. LB Water would not give a break on price if the Authority were to buy all 1,500 at once, so Mr. Donovan has advised that we continue to buy the 500 meters at a time. Mr. Donovan also advised the board to consider the vehicle gateway technology over the antenna technology. The antenna technology would not be a cost effective investment. Mr. Donovan

suggested dedicating the new Authority vehicle to the gateway technology if the board decided to consider the gateway investment.

A motion was made by Karl Bolognese to move on the recommendations of the General Manager to purchase 500 MXUs at a cost of $135 each, and the vehicle gateway technology at a cost of $26,100. The motion was seconded by Marie Coraluzzi and hearing no questions on the motion, it passed unanimously.

Electrical Evaluation Report

The Authority is up for a policy renewal and the insurance company requested a review of the electrical systems at all sites due to sustaining more damage from electrical surges than the insurance company would like. Greg Unger advised that they are looking to upgrade the transient voltage surge protectors at each of the sites. Mr. Unger mentioned that the clamp down voltage on the current protectors did not protect the sites and gave individual recommendations for each site. Mr. Unger recommended replacing the existing surge protector devices with Current Technology Select SL3 unit, 300kA per mode which is the top of the line technology.

A motion was made by Dan Novakovich to approve upon the recommendations of the engineer the electric system upgrade at a cost of $75,300. The motion was seconded by James Nothwehr and hearing no questions on the motion, it passed unanimously.

Mt Airy Escrow

A motion was made by Karl Bolognese to approve the release of the Mt. Airy escrow. The motion was seconded by Dan Novakovich and hearing no questions on the motion, it passed unanimously.

Special Meetings for 2015 Budget

Patrick Donovan will contact the board by e-mail to schedule a special budget meeting.

Christmas Party Invite List

The Christmas party will be December 18, 2014 at noon. The invite list will consist of the employees and Boards of the Authority and the Township.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Curb Box and Service Agreement Procedure - Tabled

EJB Payment – The Solicitor talked to the insurance agent regarding the Genesis Drive water main break and the Authority does not have the insurance coverage for this type of situation. The Solicitor recommended the payment, but under the condition that the Authority admit no liability.

A motion was made by Dan Novakovich to pay EJB Paving without admitting any liability in spirit of governmental cooperation. The motion was seconded by Karl Bolognese and hearing no questions on the motion is passed unanimously.

Condition of Grounds at Well #6 – Patrick Donovan informed the Board that he has safety concerns about the grounds at Well #6. The grounds in some areas are not level which does not allow for them to be mowed safely. Mr. Donovan recommends the bank be grated down slightly, the pile of dirt and debris to be removed, the area around the barn needs to be leveled, the trees

and concrete need to be removed, and the ground cellar near the house needs to be more secure. Mr. Donovan would like to contract this work out, but would go through all the necessary processes before doing so.

A motion was made by James Nothwehr to follow Patrick's recommendations with the caveat to add the building to the list depending on what the Township says. The motion was seconded by Karl Bolognese and hearing no questions on the motion, it was passed unanimously.

LEAK REDUCTION REQUESTS

Met Management – No action. The Solicitor is waiting to hear back from Met Management.

Berks Transfer

A motion was made by Marie Coraluzzi to give a 75% credit for the last two quarters per the General Manager recommendation and they would not use their one time reduction request. The motion was seconded by James Nothwehr and hearing no questions on the motion, it passed unanimously.

Tauseef Khan 101 Cedrick Ave

A motion was made by Karl Bolognese to approve the one time leak reduction request for Tauseef Khan. The motion was seconded by James Nothwehr and hearing no questions on the motion, it passed unanimously.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT

Mr. Becker revised the Vehicle Use Policy and handed out a red lined copy of the policy for the board to review and approve for next meeting.

ENGINEER'S REPORT

Mr. Unger reported that DEP approved the predrilling plan for Well #6 and will be bringing estimated costs to the next meeting. Mr. Unger's assistant, Steve Moyer, gave a brief demonstration of how the GIS project is proceeding. He gave an inside look of how some of the different tools worked and what to expect in the upcoming future.

A centrifuge test was run in Hamburg and the Authority shared in with some of the costs since this is the type of equipment and technology the Authority is interested in. The centrifuge was producing 85-100 gallons per minute which resulted in 20% cake and it was quiet. Systems Design Engineering is also looking at the Deer Lake project right now.

AUTHORITY REPORT

Patrick Donovan had nothing to add to his written report.

TREASURER'S REPORT & PAYMENT OF BILLS

Dan Novakovich reported that he reviewed the P & L with the General Manager and everything appeared to be in order.

A motion was made by Karl Bolognese to authorize the following payments: Routine/Regular July Bill List - $30,294.81, Construction in Progress - $12,949.40, Reimbursable Expenses Paid by Developer - $6,537.49, Payroll Transfer from Operator Acct -

$26,400.61, Validate Checks Signed Between Meetings - $2,697.22, Special Checks Requiring Special Handling - $87,139.40, Additional Checks after Board Book Delivery - $14,897.94. James Nothwehr seconded the motion and hearing no questions on the motion, it passed unanimously.

CORRESPONDENCE – None

The Board went into executive session from 12:49 p.m. to 1:21 p.m. to discuss personnel.

Having no further business, a motion was made to adjourn the meeting at 1:22 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Meagan Dompkowski

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

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