Maidencreek Township Authority
December 17, 2020

Attending Board Members Via Teleconference: Karl Bolognese, Jerry Hartman, Jack May, Jim Nothwehr, Dan Novakovich

Also Attending: Patrick Donovan and Debbie Kline of the Maidencreek Township Authority. Also Attending Via Teleconference: Greg Unger and Ty Leinneweber of SDE, Daniel Becker and Colin Macfarlane of Kozloff Stoudt, Diane Hollenbach of Maidencreek Township

Jack May called the December 17, 2020 meeting of the Maidencreek Township Authority (MTA) to order at 5:00 p.m. via Zoom video conference and asked everyone to rise for the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

A motion was made by Karl Bolognese to waive the reading of the minutes and approve the November 19, 2020 regular meeting minutes as presented. The motion was seconded by Jerry Hartman and hearing no questions on the motion, it passed unanimously.

PLAN REVIEW

Redner's Quick Shop and Car Wash

Ty Leinneweber of SDE stated there is nothing new to report at this time.

NEW BUSINESS

Sludge Recirculating Pump

Greg Unger of SDE reported that the current sludge recirculating pump is twenty years old. It has been rebuilt three times and has reached the end of its useful life. Russ Stoudt and Patrick Donovan have found the exact same COSTARS pump to replace the existing pump for a total cost of $19,785.00 including installation. Greg Unger recommended the purchase of the COSTARS replacement pump.

A motion was made by Dan Novakovich to authorize the purchase and installation of the COSTARS replacement pump at a total cost of $19,785.00 as recommended by Greg Unger of SDE. The motion was seconded by Jim Nothwehr and hearing no questions on the motion, it passed unanimously.

Met Management

Patrick Donovan stated that he was contacted by Erick Hardwick of Met Management regarding sump pump installation in the meter pits. Erick stated to date two sump pumps have been installed. They prioritized installation in the two pits that have flooding issues. Met Management has requested the Board grant an extension to April 15, 2021 to install the remaining sump pumps due to difficulty with installation heading into the winter months.

A motion was made by Dan Novakovich to authorize Patrick Donovan to contact Erik Hardwick of Met Management to grant an extension to April 1, 2021 to complete installation of

the two remaining sump pumps in the meter pits. The motion was seconded by Jerry Hartman and hearing no questions on the motion, it passed unanimously.

2021 Budget and Five Year Plan

The General Manager presented a draft 2021 Budget and Five-Year Plan for the Board's review and consideration.

After a lengthy review of the financial spreadsheets and proposed project list, the Board took the following action:

The Board directed Greg Unger of SDE to refine the cost estimate for the well 6 & 7 Well House and the Rt 73 cast iron pipe replacement to be provided at the next Board meeting.

The Board directed the General Manager to research multiple lenders regarding financing options to complete the list of projects on the Five-Year Capital Project Summary and report back to the Board at the next meeting.

LEAK REDUCTION REQUESTS

John Bednarik, 229 Callery Drive, Blandon

A motion was made by Dan Novakovich to authorize a one-time leak reduction per MTA policy for John Bednarik, 229 Callery Drive. The motion was seconded by Karl Bolognese and hearing no questions on the motion, it passed unanimously.

UPDATES

Authority Extension

Mr. Becker stated this is on schedule to be completed prior to the current term expiration of 12/06/2021.

PMRS Pension Plan Review

Mr. Donovan reported that he received a letter from PMRS addressing concerns and outlining changes within the company. PMRS has provided the 2018 statements to the MTA. At this time, the 2018 statements are the most current that PMRS can provide. The information has been forwarded to Peter Karapelou of Beyer-Barber Company for his review and continued evaluation of the pension plan. The letter from PMRS has also been provided to Dan Becker for his review.

Status of Storm Damage

Mr. Donovan stated he has reached out to the MTA insurance broker, Keith Biers, to discuss the insurance claims that have been denied. Patrick will provide an update at the next Board meeting.

PennDot Coke Conflict Area

Mr. Becker reported he is awaiting a response from Larry Diddy of PennDot regarding finalization of the new Relocation/Reimbursement Agreement.

Patrick Donovan reported he has been corresponding with Frontier regarding the placement of the telephone pole that damaged the MTA sewer line. He has forwarded invoices to Frontier for

payment. Mr. Donovan also reported Frontier has now placed a pole on an MTA 12" water line. The water line will be checked for damage and to determine next steps to correct any issues.

Route 222 Project

Ty Leinneweber of SDE reported the project is continuing as expected. The remaining water line work left to complete is to cross Rt 222 and go around the outside of the traffic circle to connect into Constitution Avenue. The contactor is currently working on the sanitary sewer lines. The project should be complete by the January/February 2021 timeframe.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Future Healthcare Costs

The Board tabled this issue until January or February of 2021.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT

Mr. Becker had nothing further to add.

ENGINEER'S REPORT

SDE submitted a written report. Mr. Unger had nothing further to add.

AUTHORITY REPORT

Mr. Donovan had nothing further to add.

PAYMENT OF BILLS

A motion was made by Jerry Hartman to accept the Treasurer's Report and authorize the following payments: Routine/Regular Bill List - $31,708.30, Construction in Progress - $16,704.91, Reimbursable Expenses Paid by Developer - $249.91, Payroll Account Transfer from Operator Acct - $0.00, Validate Checks Signed Between Meetings - $268.50, Special Checks Requiring Special Handling - $6,338.74, Additional Checks after Board Book Delivery - $8,235.70. Dan Novakovich seconded the motion and hearing no questions on the motion, it passed unanimously.

ENGINEER'S/SOLICITOR'S REIMBURSABLE EXPENSES:

A motion was made by Dan Novakovich to approve all Professional Staff Reimbursable Expenses as follows: SDE invoice #102628 in the amount of $249.91. The motion was seconded by Jim Nothwehr and hearing no questions on the motion, it passed unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENT – None.

Having no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:19 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Debbie Kline
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Recording Secretary

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

cc: Maidencreek Township Authority Board
Patrick Donovan, Maidencreek Township Authority General Manager
Greg Unger, Systems Design Engineering, Inc., MTA Engineer
Daniel Becker, Kozloff Stoudt, MTA Solicitor
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