

**AVONDALE BOROUGH
COUNCIL MEETING
May 25, 2010
6:00 P.M.**

Members Present: Fred Bryan, Bill Shore Junior Snyder, Toyge Davis, Steve Cummings
Absent: Glenn Allen & Jim Duffy

Guests Present: Mayor Howell, Jamie MacCombie, Glenn Diehl, Michelle Steele, Bill Reilly, Dave Friedman, William Fansler, Delores Lawless,

After the Pledge of Allegiance, President Bryan called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

RESIDENT AND PUBLIC COMMENT

DELORES LAWLESS

Ms. Lawless said she was away during the last water and sewer billing period and she would like to know why she is being billed for water usage when she turned off her water at shut off valve before she left. Ms. Lawless said her house was closed up and locked and there was no one else in her house. Ms. Lawless said she had a plumber out on May 14th and there were no water leaks found.

President Bryan said that Bill Reilly checked the water meter on May 24, 2010 and the meter read that 1,641.03 gallons of water went through the meter since the April 4th quarterly meter reading. After some discussion, Council asked Mr. Reilly test the meter for accuracy.

Bill Reilly gave the following report for April 2010:

WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT

Wastewater Treatment Plant Flows:

Total Monthly Flow	10,912,000 gallons
Daily Flows Min.	292,000 gallons
Daily Flows Max.	525,000 gallons
Daily Flows Avg.	364,000 gallons

New Garden Township Weekly Flows (Average Gallons/Day)

WEEK	March 31- April 7	April 7 - 14	April 14-21	April 21-28
ROUTE 41	39,228	40,228	33,397	40,411
RAILROAD	129,422	105,897	88,442	79,804
Total	168,650	146,125	121,839	120,215

OPERATIONS

- Hauled 17,600 gallons of sludge

WATER TREATMENT PLANT
Production Summary

Water System		Well #1	Gallons/Day	Well #2	Gallons/Day
Total Well #1	2,497,800	Minimum	71,200	Minimum	14,900
Total Well #2	505,600	Maximum	93,400	Maximum	21,000
Total:	3,003,400	Average	83,260	Average	16,853
Avg. gpd	100,113				

Water Actions:

- 95 PA Avenue – Check water meter read
- 104 Chatham Street – Need to replace old meters for rental properties
- 223 Pennsylvania Avenue – Check inside meter read
- 401 New Street – Read meter
- 428 Minor St. – Bad wire. Fixed wire to remote
- 411 Pa Avenue – Double check meter. Home vacant no usage.
- 113 PA Avenue – Read inside meter.
- 317 PA Avenue – Double check meter

Facilities Maintenance Report:

Wastewater Treatment Plant

- Siemens and Watermark have been onsite to look at headworks.
- Wiring done for back-up alum pump

Collection and Distribution System

- Total PA 1 Calls - 3
 - Church and PA Avenue
 - Pomeroy Avenue and 3rd Street
 - 315 PA Avenue

PERMIT VIOLATIONS:

No permit violations for the month.

NOISE AT PLANT

Michelle Steele said she did some research and a wooden fence may help reduce the noise. The Fence Authority quoted \$5,000 for a 200 feet fence that is 6" high. After the wooden fence, you start getting into sound barriers and those get very expensive. Ms. Steele called some sound barrier companies and they are not willing to give a quote unless there is a noise analysis done at the plant. The analysis with recommendations is about \$2,000. Council agreed to have EEMA get a scope of work for a noise test and present it at the next meeting.

BOROUGH SOLICITOR'S REPORT

STATE STREET BRIDGE PROPOSED ORDINANCE – ADVERTISE APPROVAL

Bill Shore made a motion to approve Glenn Diehl to advertise the State Street Bridge ordinance with the deletion of #4 authorizing vehicles with a gross weight in excess of 5 tons to pass over the State Street Bridge, 2nd by Junior Snyder, motion carried. The Secretary will send a letter to the agencies affected.

BOROUGH ENGINEER'S REPORT

Jamie MacCombie gave the following report:

STATE STREET PROJECT – COUNTY APPROVAL

The County approved the award of the contract and the contract will be sent to the contractor for execution. Council will then sign the contract and then a Notice to Proceed will be sent to the Contractor.

STORM DRAIN AT THIRD AND POMEROY

PECO has agreed to install the line but the railroad will not give them permission to enter their right-of-way without acquiring an engineering field inspection and a stormwater flow study. The railroad wants to know the impact of the new drainage pipe on the culvert that extends beneath the railroad bed. Ben Henry from PECO is having the soil tested. Bill Shore asked who is responsible for cleaning up the contaminated soil. Glenn Diehl will look into this matter.

WILKINSON AGREEMENT

The agreement between Wilkinson and the Borough states that Wilkinson shall pay the Borough a sum of \$35,000 by March 31, 2009. A couple of months ago, Bill Romanelli asked Council if Wilkinson could pay the \$35,000 in three installments or the other option is to have work done for \$35,000 in the Borough in lieu of the money. The advantage of doing work is if the money is put into dollars for construction as opposed to straight dollars, it would not be subject to prevailing wage because it is private monies. More projects could be done because you are looking at 25 to 30% for projects with prevailing wage. When you do projects in excess of \$25,000, you must pay prevailing wage. Anytime monies are expended for private dollars, they are not subject to pay prevailing wage.

Mr. MacCombie said he will put together a spreadsheet on how much has been spent of the 2.8 million dollars per the agreement with Wilkinson.

ZONING OFFICER'S REPORT**ZONING HEARING**

President Bryan announced that there is a Zoning Hearing on May 27th at 7:00 p.m. for 411 Pennsylvania Avenue.

FINANCE COMMITTEE**APPROVE THE BILLS TO BE PAID**

Junior Snyder made a motion to approve the bills to be paid up to May 25, 2010, 2nd by Toyge Davis, motion carried.

APPROVE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Bill Shore made a motion to approve the financial statements, 2nd by Junior Snyder, motion carried.

ACCOUNTING COURSE

Bill Shore made a motion to approve Mayor Howell and Sandy Masten to attend an accounting course on June 28th at a cost of \$80.00 per person, 2nd by Toyge Davis, motion carried.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Junior Snyder made a motion to approve the minutes from April 20, 2010 and April 27, 2010, 2nd by Bill Shore, motion carried.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Howell gave the following report:

NEW GARDEN TOWNSHIP – BALTIMORE PIKE STUDY

New Garden Township has chosen McCormick Taylor to do the study on Baltimore Pike. Mayor Howell said she would like to have another Council person sit on the committee for the study. Bill Shore volunteered to be on the committee.

LED LIGHTS

The LED lights are now hooked up with battery back ups and the generators have been purchased. The remaining money will be distributed among the municipalities. Bill Shore said PECO is giving rebates back on the LED lights at \$45.00 a light, so we are looking at about \$4,000 from PECO.

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT COORDINATOR

Bill Shore said he attended a meeting for the emergency managers and he received his basic certification after about 40 courses. Mr. Shore is continuing taking courses to receive his professional certification.

PROPERTY & EQUIPMENT COMMITTEE

Junior Snyder gave the following report:

STREET LIGHT AT MAINTENANCE BUILDING

There is a cost of \$29.64 to install a light on the telephone pole to light up the maintenance building area. Toyge Davis made a motion to approve the PECO monthly cost of \$29.64 for the light, 2nd by Junior Snyder, motion carried.

Junior Snyder made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:25 p.m., 2nd by Steve Cummings, motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Becky Brownback
Borough Secretary