

Montgomery Water Authority

December 16, 2021

Chairman Randy Eddinger called the meeting of the Montgomery Water Authority to order at 6:30pm.

- I. All rose for the Pledge of Allegiance.
- II. Roll call was taken: Whitlow Wertz – P, Randy Eddinger – P, Rod Eddinger-A, Gary Yocum – P, Debra Stine-P. Also, present were Water Coordinator Donna Miller, Randy Wright, Attorney Scott Williams, John Lynch Jr. from WBRA, Engineer Shawn Downey, Kevin Hoch from PESI, Representatives from Digger Specialties, Jason Fink and Montgomery Fire Department.
- III. Public Concerns. Fire Captain Steve Cook would like the caps for the 5” hose for the black caped hydrants and they will take the Storz fittings off and placed them on the hydrants that do not have them. He will contact Randy Wright.
Jason Fink from Lycoming County Chamber of Commerce and the Representatives from Digger Specialties asked about the water tap on fee that is being charged. Engineer Shawn Downey explained how the fee is charged. Attorney Scott Williams stated the legal issues of the fee, so everyone is equal. More discussion of different options was held on this. Meetings will be set up to try to resolve this issue.
- IV. Approval of November 18, 2021 Minutes. A motion was made by Deb Stine to approve; second by Whitlow Wertz. Motion carried.
- V. Approval November 2021 Treasurer’s Report. A motion was made by Deb Stine to accept; second by Gary Yocum. Motion carried.
- VI. Old Business
 1. Montgomery School Complex. This will be discussed in Executive Session.
- VII. New Business:
 1. Appoint Debra Stine-5-year term 2022-2026. A motion was made by Whitlow Wertz to appoint Debra Stine; second by Randy Eddinger. Motion carried.
 2. Employee Retirement. Curtis Robbins will be retiring January 28, 2022. Advertising will be done for this.
 3. 2022 Meeting dates-3rd Thursday @ 6:30pm-Jan 20, Feb 17, March 17, April 21, May 19, June 16, July 21, Aug 18, Sept 15, Oct 20, Nov 17 and Dec 15, 2022. A motion was made by Whitlow Wertz to accept the meeting dates for 2022; second by Deb Stine. Motion carried.

4. Engineer's Report. Engineer Shawn Downey handed in the updated report and reviewed with the following:

Retainer Agreement The agreement for 2022-2023 was handed in for review; this will be acted on at the January meeting.

LeClerc New Building Mid-Penn Engineering submitted an up-to-date drawing for the well head protection area. They are outside the area by a small amount. This was okayed by the Clinton Twp zoning board, stating LeClerc will work closely with the Authority.

Well Siting Study A conference call was done with GeoServices, Bob Radke, Authority and Engineer. A motion was made by Deb Stine to have GeoServices conduct a site visit to field check the locations of test wells for \$1800.00; second by Whitlow Wertz. Motion carried. GeoServices will be looking into the Water Authority's property next to Well 4 also.

MCI Emergency Interconnect No update

Brook Street Water Line Replacement The grant has been awarded; This was tabled until more information is gathered.

Timber Run/Digger Specialties Water Service CMU building has been constructed, site piping is complete, except the two tie-in connections; backflow preventer has been removed from LCRMS valve vault at the Landfill entrance. Before the Timber Run project can be placed into service, ownership must be transferred to the Authority. A motion was made by Deb Stine to accept MR Dirt pay application #2 for \$213,750.00; second by Gary Yocum. Motion carried. SCADA panel may not be ready until end of February 2022. The price from MR Dirt for PPL underground is approximately \$67,000 and the additional from PPL is \$7000.00; County is okay with these. A motion was made by Deb Stine to accept the amended agreement period from County for extended date to June 30, 2022 and increased project cost; second by Whitlow Wertz. Motion carried.

A quote was received from Martz to upgrade the Booster Pump Station PLC at the Reservoir for \$11,680.00. A motion was made by Deb Stine to do this; second by Whitlow Wertz. Motion carried.

Chairman Eddinger asked PESI Kevin Hoch to have our water capacity and our monthly use by next meeting.

VIII. Public Comments. None

Executive Session-The Authority entered into Executive Session at 7:45 pm for legal reasons; the meeting resumed at 8:02pm.

IX. Adjournment. Motion by Gary Yocum to adjourn the meeting at 8:02pm; second by Whitlow Wertz. Motion carried.



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