

## Montgomery Water Authority

**March 16, 2023**

Chairman 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, Gary Yocum – P, Debra Stine-P and Curt Robbins -P. Also, present were Water Coordinator Donna Miller, Randy Wright, Attorney Scott Williams, Attorney Zach DuGan; Engineer Shawn Downey, Bob Rockwell from PESI and resident Ruth Little.
  
- III. Public Concerns. None
  
- IV. Approval of February 16, 2023 Minutes. A motion was made by Deb Stine to approve; second by Whitlow Wertz. Motion carried.
  
- V. Approval February 2023 Treasurer's Report. Gary Yocum had a question about the invoice from USA Blue Book; Randy Wright replied. A motion was made by Gary Yocum to approve; second by Deb Stine. Motion carried.
  
- VI. Old Business
  1. Old Road water line-Gay property. Attorney Williams reviewed the emails between Clinton Twp., himself and Engineer Chase Kelch. Clinton Twp approved the Authority to use the ROW but cannot force easements for the property owners. There were questions about the replacement of the concrete driveway; boring under the road and the ditch. After a discussion Attorney Williams will send a letter with drawings to the three property owners (Mowery, Fitzpatrick and the School District) explaining what is going on and inviting all to the next Water Authority meeting. Deb Stine will contact the Gay's to give them an update.
  
- VII. New Business:
  1. New Hire. A motion was made by Whitlow Wertz to hire Scott Freedle for the water/maintenance position starting March 20, 2023; at a pay rate of \$21.10; with a dollar raise after the 6 month

probationary period; second by Gary Yocum. Deb Stine abstained for this vote. Motion carried.

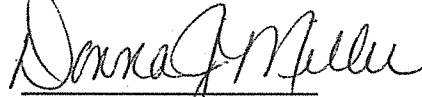
2. Skid Steer. Donna Miller stated the extra usage fee for water was received from the State for the Muncy prison on March 3, 2023 of \$30,000.00. A skid steer was talked about purchasing previously for the Authority price of \$37,342.50. A motion was made by Deb Stine to purchase this for \$37,342.50; second by Curt Robbins. Motion carried.
3. Rave Reporting System. Donna Miller stated this is the new company taking over the Swift Reach program; yearly cost is \$1250.00; A motion was made by Whitlow Wertz to have Rave for the emergency reporting system; second by Curt Robbins. Motion carried.
4. 2023 Renewal Suppression System-Well 4-\$1540.00. A motion was made by Gary Yocum to accept the 2023 renewal; second by Curt Robbins. Motion carried.
5. Engineer's Report. Engineer Shawn Downey provided an updated report with the following:
  - Small Water and Sewer Grant Application** The application was submitted; anticipate award in late summer; July?.
  - Local Shares Account Grant Program** Grant Awards were made today, our application was not funded.
  - Well 4 Monitoring Plan Revision** Monitoring and evaluation of data will be required until the Gay property is hooked unto the public water.
  - New Well-Wenger's Property** Still waiting for approval from Wenger's.
  - New Well-Test Well** This is on hold for the Radke property.
  - Additional Capacity from Well 3.** Report was submitted to SRBC.
  - Generator for Booster Pump Station** The purchase order was submitted; finally got an update from UGI; working on getting update and a timeline.
  - SRBC Consumptive Use Mitigation Grant** A grant application has been submitted.

Randy Wright asked Engineer Downey of how far another well would have to be from Well #2; because there is 5 acres of property for sale on Park Drive; Shawn Downey will look into this.

- VIII. Public Comments. Ruth Little had concerns about the price of concrete if the Authority would have to replace it for a driveway for the Old Road project.

No Executive Session was held

- IX. Adjournment. Motion by Deb Stine to adjourn the meeting at 6:47pm; second by Whitlow Wertz. Motion carried.



Donna J. Miller  
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