

**Mt. Pleasant Twp. Municipal Authority**

**Meeting Minutes**

March 4, 2015 7:00 PM

Mt. Pleasant Twp. Meeting Room

**Present:** Paul Batista, George Yonker, Jeff Donati, Jim Englert, Steve Greenberg, Eric Betzner  
**In attendance:** Larry Chome (ZO)

**Call Meeting to Order with the Pledge of Allegiance at 7:07pm**

**Secretary's Report:**

1. Review Minutes from meetings of February 4, 2015:
  - a. JD noted corrections per SG comments; under "Treasurer's Report" item #1, change KLH to YC&L and under "Citizen's Comments" item #1, change resident to property owner.
  - b. GY motioned to accept the revised 02/04/15 minutes, JD seconded, all approved – motion carried.
2. PB posed question to EB concerning what to do with updated minutes of 11/05/14 that were found, decision was made to make motion to accept.
3. PB motioned to accept 11/05/14 minutes as updated, GY seconded, all approved – motion carried.

**Correspondence:**

1. JD reviewed correspondence received during the month of Feb, 2015
  - a. Washington Financial - January 31, 2015 Statement and Fact Sheet concerning sharing of personal information
  - b. KLH - Invoices
    - i. \$200.00 Monthly Retainer
    - ii. \$87,500.00 Design and Permitting Services
  - c. YC&L - Invoice \$400.00 February Retainer
  - d. Redevelopment Authority of the County of Washington – February 10, 2015 Memo informing the MAB of not being selected to receive funding from the 2015 LSA Program.
  - e. Portnoff Law Associates, LTD – News Letter "The Portnoff Reporter" Winter 2015 Volume 2, Number 1
  - f. Comcast Business – Solicitations (2)
  - g. Electro Scan – News Letter, Issue No. 5, February 2015
2. GY reviewed correspondence the he received at his home address from Chris Chome, providing signed copies of all minutes for MAB meetings that Chris served as Secretary.
3. PB submitted copies and reviewed a series of emails between himself and Mary Ann Stevenson and Jeffrey Leithauser of the Washington Co. Planning Commission concerning the sewerage project and Act 537 Special Study.

**Treasurer's Report:**

1. Bill presented by GY= \$111,300.00
  - a. Land and Mapping Services= \$2,400.00
  - b. Land and Mapping Services= \$21,200.00
  - c. YC&L= \$200.00
  - d. KLH= \$87,500.00
2. PB motioned to accept Treasurer's report, JE seconded, all in favor – motion carried
3. GY motioned to pay bills as presented, JE seconded, all in favor – motion carried
4. GY motioned to transfer \$87,500.00 from savings to checking, PB seconded, all in favor – motion carried.

**Solicitor's Report:**

1. EB, No report

**Engineer's Report:**

1. SG discussed the outcome of the February, 24 2015 meeting with Cecil Twp. and Southview residents. He stated that there were questions regarding the determination of the \$95/month fee. He clarified that PENNVEST used the median income of the residents come up with this estimate. There were also questions concerning the tap in fees, it was noted that Block Grant money may be available to low income families for assistance.
2. He suggested that the MAB craft a letter to Cecil Twp. spelling out the two options they have and specifically what will happen depending on their decision or non-decision. It should also inform them that they only have until their April, 2015 meeting to decide and after that the MAB will move forward regardless. It was decided that SG would draft the letter in the MAB's name for our review and comment then PB would sign and send.
3. JE motioned to that the MAB proceed with the letter, PB seconded, all in favor – motion carried.

**Zoning Officer's Report:** Building permit update

1. LC noted one new permit for unrelated request for exotic wildlife.
2. LC discussed that the Twp. Supervisors are responsible to look into complaints and enforce issues with sewerage malfunctions.

**Citizen's Comments:**

1. There was an open discussion with the audience and a few residents asked many questions about the type and size of the system, are there accommodations for expansion, where the lines would run, where the treatment plant(s) would be located, what the tap-in and monthly fees would be and how they were determined, how they compare to surrounding communities, if financing and assistance was going to be available, would there be a mandate to tap in and properly abandon/close the existing system. SG commented that nothing was finalized yet, but the \$7,500.00 tap-in fee and \$95.00 monthly fee were estimates at this time and that nothing has been determined concerning financing or grants for residents. He stated that meetings would be set up towards the end of this year for public comment and input. The residents were Jane Worthington and John Bershaw

**Sub-Committee Reports:** No sub-committees**Old Business:**

1. LSA Funding Request Status: MAB received a letter from Washington Co. Redevelopment Authority that we were not selected to receive funding from the 2015 LSA Program. The MAB requested \$65,000.00
2. Meeting with Jeff Leithauser of Washington Co. Planning: Per the February 24, 2015 email submitted by PB, Jeff Leithauser. stated the a draft of the Act 537 Special Study should be submitted to the DEP for Emily Shade's review. After her review and approval, a Planning Partners Meeting will be held with the participation of PA DEP, RUS, and PENNVEST.
3. Proposal from Houston Assoc. for 2014 Audit: GY was in contact with Houston and Associates, they estimated that the Audit would be \$2,500.00 - \$2,650.00 this year. GY motioned to sign an agreement letter with Houston and Associated to conduct and audit of the 2014 MAB finances, JE seconded, all in favor, motion carried.

**New Business:**

1. GY asked SG for a copy of last month's invoice from KLH.

**Next meeting: April 1, 2015**

**Adjourn:** GY motioned to adjourn, PB seconded, all in favor – motion carried.