

Montgomery Water Authority

**August 15, 2024**

Vice Chairman Wertz 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 – A, Gary Yocum – P, Debra Stine-A and Curt Robbins -P. Also, present were Water Coordinator Donna Miller, Randy Wright; Attorney Scott Williams and Zach DuGan; Engineer Shawn Downey; Ruth Little
- III. Public Concerns. None
- IV. Approval of July 18, 2024 Minutes. A motion was made by Curt Robbins to approve; second by Gary Yocum. Motion carried.
- V. Approval July 2024 Treasurer’s Report. Gary Yocum asked about the cost of the electrical charges at the Landfill reservoir tank. A motion was made by Gary Yocum to approve; second by Curt Robbins. Motion carried.
- VI. Old Business.
  - 1.Easement Agreement-Tura A motion was made by Curt Robbins to authorize the signing of this agreement; second by Gary Yocum. Motion carried. This is for the automatic flash valve to be placed at the Tura property; updated quotes will be received from Contractors.
- VII. New Business:
  1. MASD-New water service application. Donna Miller stated a water service application was received from the school about the new proposed building. This was tabled due to the denial of building plans from the Clinton Township Supervisors. Shawn Downey will reply to Andrew Keister (MASD Engineer) to this decision.
  2. Donna Miller reported on the following:
    - A.Benjamin Divler was hired on August 5, 2024 as the new maintenance employee.
    - B.Penn Strategies Grant Company is called Tactical Data Group; same employees; different name; the monthly cost lower by \$300.00. An update was received on the Rt 405/Montgomery St water service line replacement-it is now in the Senate Bill.

C. Employees contract is ready for negotiations; Whitlow Wertz and Curt Robbins will represent Water Authority; first meeting is Monday, September 9, 2024 at 6pm at the Borough office.

3. Engineer's Report. Engineer Shawn Downey reviewed an updated report with the following:

**LSA Grant** No update; awards anticipated Fall/Winter 2024

**SRBC-Leak Detection Grant** MWA was awarded \$22,000(\$12,000 for leak detection survey and \$10,000 for LDG for development of a project to fix the problems); two quotes were received for this; **GPRS \$7,475.00; Fluid Pinpoint Services \$12,550.00**; No decisions were made at this time; Shawn will submit questions to these two about plastic pipe detections and possibly getting a quote about satellite imaging; Hughesville water used this; he will reach out to them. Also; Atty Williams asked if not all the money from the grant was used for the first detection; if it could be used for a second detection after the first leaks were fixed. Shawn Downey will check the availability of the grant funds to see if this is possible. Atty Williams stated to carefully look at the contracts that are received and compare services offered.

**New Well-Jarrett Property** GeoServices prepared the Aquifer Test Plan; this was reviewed; with no issues. Shawn will inform GeoServices to submit this.

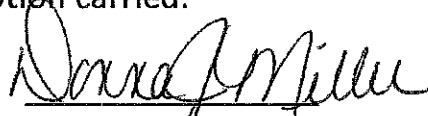
**Automatic Flushing Valve** Discussed earlier in the meeting.

**CS Group-New Fire Line** CS Group has sent drawings and product information for the flow meter and backflow preventer they propose to use; Shawn will check into the administrative side of this and complete what is needed.

Attorney Williams also commented he did obtain an email from Patricia Gay to send the Gay agreement for a signature. It was sent but no response as of this time.

VIII. Public Comments. None  
Executive Session- None

IX. Adjournment. Motion by Curt Robbins to adjourn the meeting at 6:58pm; second by Gary Yocum. Motion carried.



Donna J. Miller  
Coordinator

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