

The Wilmington Township Mercer County Board of Supervisors met on February 26, 2013, at the township building. The meeting was called to order at 7:05 p.m. by Chad Taylor, with John Richardson and David Rhodes in attendance. Engineer Dennis DeSilvey was present. Guests present are on attached sign in sheet. The pledge to the flag was given.

#### Treatment Fee

Mr. DeSilvey stated that the agreement with the Borough needs to be worked on and that Fred Garrett would like to meet to discuss treatment costs.

#### Victory Christian Center

Mr. DeSilvey stated that he had met with PADEP, and DEP discussed the option of extending the sewer to serve the VCC project. VCC will still need to go through the Planning Commission, Board of Supervisors, and New Wilmington Borough for approval of their plans. Currently there are 10,500 gallons available from the original 24,000 gallons which could be used to serve VCC's development. VCC would pay the current tap fee and usage fee. Mr. Cypher stated that the church does not plan to use all of the 10,500 gallons and questioned whether using this reserve would take the availability of sewer from other individuals. Mr. DeSilvey stated that it would not. Mr. DeSilvey mentioned that the Borough does not want any additional flow beyond the original 24,000 gallons until their project is finished. Mr. DeSilvey warned the Board that if VCC precedes the Township in putting in sewer lines, to make sure the lines meet the Township's specifications since the Township will eventually take the lines over.

#### Maplewood Drive

Ms. Black explained that WTLC is not interested in making sewer available to residents on Maplewood Drive which are located in Lawrence County due to legalities with crossing counties. Mr. Richardson stated that a directional bore could be used and that letters should still go out to the 2 homes on Maplewood Drive that are within the Township.

#### Individuals beyond 150 feet

Ms. Black explained that there were seven homes interested in joining the sewer project that are beyond 150 feet from the main line but their decision is contingent upon costs. Mr. DeSilvey stated that the Cowden Road portion of the project was shortened due to cost; however, there are 4 homes beyond the project with confirmed malfunctions that will require SEO involvement and repairs. Ms. Black questioned whether there are estimated costs that could be used to figure what a person would need to pay in order to join the project. Mr. DeSilvey stated that a lateral line costs approximately \$25/ft and the fees include \$50 plus the Borough's fee and any additional costs to assure the Township can afford the project.

#### Ownership/installment/maintenance of grinder pumps

Mr. DeSilvey stated that figures currently being used include having the grinder pumps paid for and installed by the Township. Any person installing and maintaining the grinder pumps must be licensed. He also mentioned that the agreement with the Borough includes a maintenance option. This cost would go back to the home owner.

#### Ordinance 2010-2

Mr. DeSilvey stated that Ordinance 2010-2 should be referenced in the 537 Plan in order to ensure the Township is maintaining other areas within the Township. He also mentioned that Shenango Township is charging pumpers \$250 to pump within their township to defray

administrative costs. Mr. Richardson stated that the Township would like to amend the ordinance (1) to alleviate penalties for individuals that have not pumped, while enforcing penalties to individuals who have visible malfunctions in order to still enforce the law and (2) to reflect pumping septic tanks as necessary instead of every three years. Ms. Black will speak with the solicitor on this matter. Mr. Taylor made a motion to not include Ordinance 2010-2 in the Act 537 Plan as written at the present time, seconded by Mr. Richardson. Roll call vote: Mr. Taylor – yes, Mr. Richardson – yes, Mr. Rhodes – yes.

#### Borough comments

Ms. Black stated that an approval letter was received from the Borough regarding the 537 Plan. Mr. DeSilvey stated that a copy of the revised plan will need to be given to the Borough and a new approval letter will need received.

#### Malfunction change regarding funding

Mr. DeSilvey explained that in order to receive funding, a certain percentage of malfunctions need to be present; therefore, DEP went through the Plan to see if the number of malfunctions could be increased according to certain criteria on the surveys. These numbers were changed for funding purposes only.

#### Implementation Schedule

Mr. DeSilvey stated that he has included a revised implementation schedule in the 537 Plan and that this schedule can be updated again after the submission of the Plan.

#### PENNVEST and RUS

Mr. DeSilvey stated that the Township should meet again with PENNVEST and RUS to discuss funding since the malfunction numbers have changed. Mr. DeSilvey will set this up after the Township has the treatment fee cost from the Borough.

Mr. Taylor made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:15 p.m., seconded by Mr. Richardson.

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Cindy Black, secretary