

The special meeting of the Municipal Authority of the Borough of Sinking Spring was opened on Tuesday, October 30, 2007, at 7:00 p.m., at the Sinking Spring Borough Hall, by Mr. Francis Butkus. The following Authority members were present:

Francis Butkus
Shawn Schwartz
Paul Roth
Richard Biggs
Dennis Leiby

Others present were: Mr. Alex Morrison, ARRO Consulting, Municipal Authority Engineer; Mr. John Hoffert., Authority Solicitor; and Ms. Elizabeth White, Municipal Authority Secretary/Treasurer, who recorded the minutes of the proceedings. Council Representatives included; Mr. George Butkus and Mr. Lawrence Schmidt.

Guests: Mr. Mike McCormick

TRADITIONS OF SINKING SPRING:

Mr. Morrison stated that we got together to review the Traditions of Sinking Spring Development and the capacity request. He stated that the project is going to have a Conditional Use Hearing and one of the items that they need from the Authority is a Willingness to Serve letter for the sewer. He stated that we are here tonight to handle this one topic so that Traditions meets their schedule for the Conditional Use Hearing.

Mr. Morrison stated that he prepared a letter of recommendation, which he handed out to everyone. He stated that the letter is only one page and the rest is supporting documentation that has been provided by the developer. Mr. Morrison stated that ARRO has reviewed the supporting documentation. Mr. Morrison reviewed the documentation with the Authority. He stated that the total number of EDU's required for the Traditions development is 162 or 31,104 gpd. Mr. Morrison asked if there were any questions on the math or the project and stated, if not the letter of recommendation is basically recommending that the Authority reserve 162 EDU's or 31,104 gpd for this project with some conditions. He stated that the conditions are listed on the letter of recommendation and include; 1) The Authority should reserve the right to request the purchase of additional capacity for the development in the future should the actual sanitary sewer flow be greater than what is projected at this time; 2) Acknowledgment that a formal agreement between the development, the owner, and the Authority for the related capacity with conditions acceptable to the Authority must ultimately be worked through. He stated that we do not yet have an agreement and what ARRO is recommending is a Willingness to Serve letter. He stated that the attorneys will go over it and finalize it. Mr. Hoffert stated that he has roughed up, pending receipt of this information, the draft of the agreement which he will now finalize with this information and have it to us for the next meeting, which he will not be able to attend.

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Mr. Butkus asked Mr. Hoffert if he had any other concerns. Mr. Hoffert stated that he did not.

Mr. Morrison stated that there was one other condition on the letter or recommendation. He stated that, as we are all aware, the present Chapter 94 Report shows a project hydraulic overload within the next five years and we should acknowledge that and note that it is subject to all regulatory agency reviews and approval of the appropriate planning modules. He mentioned that a projected overload does allow you to move forward, and we are taking other actions to resolve that issue.

Mr. Morrison stated that if the Authority is in concurrence, ARRO has typed the Willingness to Serve letter, which was given to Ms. White, which more or less parallels what was presented here tonight. He stated that the letter should go on Municipal Authority letter head and be signed by the Secretary or one of the Authority members. He stated that ARRO has it filled out for the Secretary to sign and if the Authority concurs then they should make a motion to authorize the Secretary to sign the letter and have it sent out.

Mr. Biggs made the motion authorizing the Secretary to sign the Willingness to Serve letter and send it out; seconded by Mr. Leiby. Motion carried.

Mr. Morrison stated that is all he has for tonight and mentioned that we set this meeting up because of the scheduling problem with the Conditional Use Hearing. He stated that the Conditional Use Hearing is prior to our next regular Authority Meeting, so we had to meet to approve the Willingness to Serve letter that Traditions needs for that hearing.

ADJOURNMENT:

Mr. Schwartz made a motion to adjourn; seconded by Mr. Roth. Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

Elizabeth White
Municipal Authority Secretary/Treasurer