

**GENERAL MUNICIPAL AUTHORITY OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANHEIM  
FRIDAY, JANUARY 20, 2012 MINUTES**

The regular meeting of the General Municipal Authority of the Township of Manheim was held on Friday, January 20, 2012 at 7:30 a.m. at the Manheim Township Municipal Building, 1840 Municipal Drive, Lancaster, Pennsylvania. Authority members present were: James J. Lombardo, Gary R. Johnson, J. Michael Flanagan, Edward J. Plakans and Steven L. O'Donnell. Also present were Solicitor William C. McCarty, Finance Officer Dawn M. Stratchko (excused at 7:55 a.m.), Assistant Director of Public Works Phil Mellott, and Engineers Matt Brown and Dale Kopp from ARRO Consulting.

The meeting was called to order by Mr. Plakans. After leading all in attendance in the Pledge of Allegiance, he asked for Public Comment. No public comments were heard.

As this was the first meeting for the year 2012 the Authority reorganized. Mr. Lombardo moved and Mr. Flanagan seconded to elect the following slate of officers: Chairperson J. Michael Flanagan, Vice-Chairperson Edward J. Plakans, Treasurer Gary R. Johnson, Secretary James J. Lombardo, and Assistant Secretary/Treasurer Steven L. O'Donnell. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Johnson moved to appoint Hartman, Underhill & Brubaker LLP as Solicitor, ARRO Consulting, Inc. as Engineer, Trout, Ebersole and Groff as Auditor, and Michael D. Rimer as Recording Secretary. Motion seconded by Mr. Lombardo. Motion carried unanimously.

The minutes of the October 21, 2011 meeting and the November 18, 2011 were presented on a motion by Mr. Johnson and seconded by Mr. Plakans. Mr. Lombardo abstained from voting to approve the October 21, 2011 minutes and Mr. Flanagan abstained from voting to approve the November 18, 2011 minutes; otherwise motion carried unanimously.

Mrs. Stratchko discussed the financial reports and explained that they are in draft format because they are not closed out yet for the year. The financial reports for October, November and December, 2011, were accepted on a motion by Mr. Lombardo, seconded by Mr. Johnson. Motion carried unanimously.

After general discussion of the invoices, the following bills were approved for payment, on a motion by Mr. Lombardo, seconded by Mr. Johnson:

ARRO Consulting, Inc.....	\$ 3,772.29
Hartman, Underhill & Brubaker LLP.....	\$ 14,995.51
Lancaster Newspapers.....	\$ 244.60
Michael F. Ronca & Sons.....	\$ 59,493.75
Robert P. Lepley.....	\$ 24,388.61

Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Flanagan asked about the construction costs on the Northwest Pumping Station &

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Transmission Main project. Mr. Kopp referred to a summary sheet prepared by ARRO Consulting that was distributed to the Authority members, stating that construction costs should not exceed the \$ 5,012,089.05 figure. Mr. Kopp explained that the contract closeout documents for the Northwest Pumping Station & Transmission Main project could be signed by either the current or new Chairperson.

Mr. Brown announced that the Northwest Pumping Station & Transmission Main project was complete and in operation. The pumping station and transmission main are functioning as anticipated. The water level in the Neffsville Tank is now being maintained at an elevation that provides 10-13 psi of additional water pressure over that experienced prior to construction of the pumping station and transmission main. The City of Lancaster Water Department was successful in flushing the water mains around the area of Park City to eliminate the dirty water due to the startup of the new pumping station. The Kissel Hill Road Pumping Station has been decommissioned. Mr. Kopp stated that the new pumping arrangement should provide softer water to the Neffsville Tank since water is now being drawn from the Susquehanna Water Treatment Plant instead of the Conestoga River Water Treatment Plant.

Mr. Lombardo mentioned that water pressure in the Brighton development was still low. Mr. Brown will investigate and get back to Mr. Lombardo and the Authority.

The Authority briefly discussed the water tapping fee and felt that a recalculation was in order since the Northwest Pumping Station & Transmission Main project was complete and in operation. A decision will be made at a future meeting.

Mr. McCarty announced that there were Executive Session's held on December 15, 2011 and on January 6, 2012 to discuss litigation matters. He also announced that there will be an Executive Session after this morning's meeting to discuss proposed litigation.

There being no further business, on a motion by Mr. Flanagan, seconded by Mr. Johnson, it was moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:12 a.m. Motion carried unanimously.

The Authority then went into Executive Session. The next meeting will be Friday, April 20, 2012 at 7:30 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Phil Mellott, on behalf of  
Michael D. Rimer, Manager-Secretary