

Brecknock Township
Planning Commission Meeting
May 29, 2019 at the Township Building

Meeting was called to order by Chairman Gene Martini at 7:00 p.m.

Pledge to the Flag.

Planning Commission members present were Dean Imhoff, Jim Regener, Chris Storms and Jerry Long.

Technicon Enterprises Inc., II, Township Engineer, Michael L. Reinert, P.E was present.

Chairman Martini asked for discussion on the minutes from the April 22, 2019 meeting. A motion was made by Imhoff, seconded by Regener to approve the April 22, 2019 meeting minutes as presented. All in favor, motion approved.

Lateral Ordinance Proposal Discussion with NLCA

Fred Ebert, P.E. of Ebert Engineering was present along with Jason Coyle of the Northern Lancaster County Authority to discuss a proposed lateral ordinance draft with the Township Planning Commission and answer any questions. Mr. Ebert provided an overview of the lateral ordinance and explained its purpose. The sewer authority has been experiencing inflow and infiltration (I&I) into their sanitary system for the past several years. With the recent storm events and wet weather of 2018 & 2019, the sewer plant has seen even more increased I&I. The Authority regularly checks their lines for I&I issues, however they would like to be proactive and institute an ordinance for long term control that would require house sale transactions to perform an inspection of the sanitary lateral. If there are any issues that are identified, they would need to be repaired as part of the process. The benefits of removing I&I was explained to the Planning Commission as it relates to effluent treatment compliance and providing the actual sewage disposal capacity in the plant for actual sewage flows into the system. This would eliminate the potential need for future upgrades or expansions of the plant if the I&I flows into the system were reduced or eliminated. Mr. Coyle presented some visual examples of where the common problem areas occur in the lateral and provided a video of some lateral I&I issues discovered during their investigations. The Planning Commission as well as audience members asked questions of the Authority in general and the lateral ordinance. It was agreed that it was a beneficial discussion for all parties. On a motion by Long, seconded by Storms, the Planning Commission agreed to table further discussion of the lateral ordinance until the June meeting. All in favor, motion approved.

Adjournment

Motion by Storms, seconded by Martini, all in favor, motion approved.

Respectfully submitted,

Michael L. Reinert, P.E.
Technicon Enterprises, Inc., II
Township Engineer