Sykesville Area Sewer and Water Authority Special Meeting 7/15/19

A special meeting of the Sykesville Area Sewer and Water was called to order at 6 pm with the Pledge of Allegiance by Chairman Rick Fike. Those answering to roll call were Rick Fike (Chairman), John Sedor (Vice Chairman), and Dave Reiter. Absent was James Dixon.

Visitors were Sam Armagost (Crew Foreman).

A motion to approve minutes for January 21, 2019, was made by Dave Reiter and seconded by John Sedor. Motion carried.

Foreman Sam Armagost informed the Authority that he will be retiring near the end of December/beginning of January. Council has hired a new employee, Karl McCracken, who will be starting Monday, July 22. Also Council is seeking to hire another person currently.

Rick Fike raised questions on why Sandy Township's usage and bill was double in the beginning of the year. Foreman Armagost and Secretary Neale informed the Authority that Johnson Motors had a leak that has since been fixed and so far there haven't been any other issues with them.

Secretary Neale informed the Authority that Council has been borrowing money from the Sludge Removal Account to pay for the Symmoo Project. Once PennVest releases the Borough's grant money for this project, the Borough will reimburse the Sludge Removal Fund from the PennVest Fund.

Foreman Armagost informed the Authority that the ponds at the Sewage Plant will need measured. A company will be coming in later this week to measure for sludge at no cost. Rick Fike also stated that he noticed caps off. He stated that it is getting near to do smoke tests. Foreman Armagost will correspond with GD&F on this matter.

Foreman Armagost informed the Authority that Quaker Sales will be here sometime in the next two weeks to perform some paving work on Sugar Camp Alley, Willow Alley, Stahl Street, and Kaufman Street. John Sedor informed Mr. Armagost that if sewer and water lines run under any roads, the cost in doing road work can be split amongst the Water and Sewer Fund as well.

After a brief discussion on water and sewer rates, a motion was made by John Sedor and seconded by Dave Reiter to keep all rates the same until the Authority receives a report on what it costs the Borough to treat themselves, Winslow, Sandy, and Troutville. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Dave Reiter and seconded by John Sedor to schedule the 2020 meetings on January 20 and July 20 at 6 PM. Motion carried.

Dave Reiter made a motion to adjourn at 6:33 pm. It was seconded by John Sedor. Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Jaysa Neale

**Borough Secretary**