

Manager's Report – May 2024

General Fund Related

1. CSVT 8th Avenue Traffic Signal & PennDOT Green Light Go Grant:

- No Update as of 5/1/2024.

2. Zoning Permits:

- There were no zoning permits issued in the month of April.

3. 11th Avenue Property (update):

- The planning commission met on April 10th to review the plan. See attached minutes.
- A request for (1) EDU of sewage capacity was sent to ESCRA for approval and approved by their board. We have begun preliminary work on the sewer line site connection.
- Snyder County Planning Commissions comments were minimal and were addressed by the engineer.

4. Police Vehicle (update):

- The vehicle was ordered through Sunbury Motors on April 2nd with a scheduled delivery towards the fourth quarter of 2024 and the vehicle equipment was ordered through Keystone Communications, also on April 2nd.
- Purchase of the above items can be through the ARPA funds.

5. Part-time Borough Crew Position (update):

- We received (2) applicants, I interviewed both and decided to hire a gentleman named Brian Corrigan @ \$20.00 / hour, 24 hours per week. Brian lives in the Borough and his first day was April 29th.

6. Snyder County Hazardous Mitigation Plan Update:

- All requested items have been submitted.
- The next (third) meeting is scheduled for May 14th.

7. PennDOT dotgrants Training:

- A representative from PennDOT came in for an in-house training of the dotgrants system on April 4th. This was a required training and will be the way that future liquid fuels transactions and auditing will be handled, including County Aid.

8. T-tag Truck Replacement: (Request for Approval)

- 2024 Ford F-350 chassis (4x4) SD Regular Cab with a Knapheide 9' steel platform body and Boss hopper type salt spreader with cab controls is scheduled to be delivered in early May at a total cost of **\$87,553.00**. This is an approved AARP funding use.
- Purchase of the above items will be through the ARPA funds.

Water / Sewer Related

1. Training:

- Josh and Brady attended a distribution system workshop and management training class on April 24th. This training will count (6) hours towards their required training to maintain their water operator licenses. The operators are on a (3) year training cycle and must attend (30) hours of DEP approved training each cycle.
- Upcoming training:
 - Brady will be attending an Operator Health & Safety Survival Guide continuing education training seminar on May 23rd in State College. This training will count (6) hours towards his required training to maintain his water operator license.

2. Water Treatment Plant valve replacements (approval):

- We received an updated quote to replace (3) valves. One raw water supply valve and (2) filter effluent valves at a cost of **\$31,020.00**. This cost does not include installation and programming.

Water / Sewer Related (Cont'd)

3. Main Reservoir Compartment Inspections and Washout:

- The final inspection report was received on April 18th. Overall, the compartment is in good condition, with a few suggested repairs noted in the report. The major issue is the exposed structural steel beams and columns within the compartment. These should be recoated as well as the exposed metal piping. Disinfection products that we use in the water treatment process is very corrosive and unprotected steel can eventually fail if not protected. The company that did the inspection will send a proposal to do the necessary work.
- We are looking to inspect the next compartment(s) sometime in early summer.

4. Lead & Copper Inventory (update):

- We are coordinating the ability to enter all the data into our existing utility software with our utility billing company.
- We still need to inspect services and will work on that part of the project throughout the summer.

5. CSVT Engineering Reimbursement Request (update):

- We are still waiting for the final approval of the engineering reimbursement costs for CSVT water line replacement from PennDOT. The total amount of the request is \$8,478.65, 99.27% of the eligible amount of \$8,541.00, as per our original agreement that was executed in 2021.

6. Backwash Basin Sludge Removal:

- The basins (located at the water treatment plant) had the backwash water sludge removed from them on April 15th and 25th. This required maintenance is typically scheduled in 18 to 24-month timelines depending on the amount of sludge in the basins.

7. DEP Filter Plant Performance Evaluation (FPPE Inspection):

- DEP has scheduled the FPPE for June 11th and 12th. This is a comprehensive review of all aspects of the water production and water storage components of the system. A full report will be provided by DEP post inspection.

Miscellaneous

1. Former Phillips Motel Site Update:

- Demolition of the buildings began on April 29th. The demolition work will take a few days to complete. At this point it appears that the Royal Farms Store will not be built on that site. The site is being offered to other perspective tenants.

2. PMRS Pension Compliance Audits:

- The PMRS repayment amount has been established at \$5,619.56. This invoice is included in this month's invoices.

3. Nissan Site:

- The General NPDES stormwater permit has been approved by DEP and the Snyder County Conservation District with (5) noted stipulations which will be handled through the engineer.

4. Main Computer Server Replacement (update):

- The new server was installed at the end of April. The cost to purchase the server was covered through ARPA funding.

Items for Approval Consideration

- General Fund Items (None)
- Water / Sewer Items: Item #2 – WTP valves - \$31,020.00. Funding would be through capital reserve funds.
- Miscellaneous Items: (None)