

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF THE SANITARY SEWER  
AUTHORITY OF THE BOROUGH OF SHICKSHINNY

**November 17, 2009**

**October 20, 2009:**

Gilbert Gleco, Chairman of the board, called the monthly meeting for **October 20, 2009** to order. The following board members were present at roll call: Gilbert Gleco, Francene Tearpock-Martini, Michael Steeber, David Reider, and Barry Noss. Also in attendance Atty. Malak, Mark Gensel, Plant Operator and Mary Beach, Secretary.

Mr. Gleco acknowledged there were three (3) people from the public present.

**Operator's Report:**

Mr. Gensel presented and read a written report.

Mr. Gensel reported that he had not heard anything from Reilly Assoc. regarding the blockage at 5 Mtn. Market. Mr. Gensel was advised by the board to contact Reilly Assoc. and see that they follow through with this.

**Motion** to accept the operators report by Mr. Noss 2<sup>nd</sup> Mr. Reider..  
All stated aye. Motion passed.

**Reading of the Minutes:**

**Motion** by Mr. Steeber to accept the minutes 2<sup>nd</sup> Mr. Noss.  
All stated Aye. Motion passed.

**Bills for Approval:**

Ms. Tearpock-Martini questioned oil changes being done here at the plant with regard to the cost of the oil and man hours to change, when a professional garage could do for less.. Mr. Noss stated it only took half an hour for the plant workers to change the oil.

Mr. Gleco question why the board members were not paid when they should be paid every three months. Ms. Beach stated it was an oversight and would have them ready with the checks to be signed.

**Motion** to pay the bills by Mr. Steeber 2<sup>nd</sup> Mr. Reider. Voting yes Mr. Reider, Mr. Noss, Ms. Tearpock-Martini, Mr. Steeber. Mr. Gleco voted yes for all but Peoplepc and asked that the internet be stopped immediately. Motion Passed.

A discussion ensued regarding the internet and how it was not needed at a cost of \$10.95 per month..

**Motion** to stop the internet (peoplepc) by Mr. Noss and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mr. Steeber.

Voting Yes- Mr. Noss, Mr. Steeber, Mr. Gleco. Voting No- Mr. Reider, Ms. Tearpock-Martini. Motion passed

Mr. Gleco presented two (2) quotes for a surveillance camera system. One from ICU and the other was Vector. Mr. Gleco was recommending ICU. Questions were raised in regard to the cost of maintenance, the necessity of a monitor, and the warranty. Mr. Gleco was not sure and Ms. Tearpock-Martini suggested that it be tabled to the next meeting.

**Motion** by Mr. Noss to purchase the surveillance system from ICU at a cost of \$1,900.00 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mr. Steeber. Voting yes Mr. Reider, Mr. Noss, Ms. Tearpock-Martini, Mr. Steeber, Mr. Gleco. Motion passed

Ms. Tearpock-Martini reported she received a call from the PA. State Police stating that Ms. Beach was cleared of all allegations through the District Attorney's office and to advise the board. Mr. Noss stated he also received a call and asked the officer if there were any other things going on and the detective stated that an investigation is in full swing. Mr. Steeber believed that they were getting no where and asked that the FBI and the Inspector Generals office be contacted. Atty. Malak stated that if there were federal funds they could get the FBI involved and the Inspector General through the state aspect and it was up to the board how they wanted to proceed. Atty. Malak stated he would write a letter to the middle district of PA the US Attorney's Office asking them if there are any issues they would like to look into here at the authority. Mr. Steeber questioned why the auditor was not here at the meeting and Mr. Gleco stated he could not come today, but was available for Monday, October 26, 2009 at 4:00 PM. Mr. Steeber stated he was the key to what they want to do here. Atty. Malak stated they needed his analysis regarding plant management issues. Mr. Gleco asked that they not adjourn the meeting and reconvene on 10/26/09 at 4:00 PM. Atty. Malak stated he would check his schedule and let Mr. Gleco know of his availability.

Ms. Beach read a statement to the board. (A copy is attached)

In response to Ms. Beach's letter Mr. Gleco asked if she was aware of the amounts she cheated on the pension. Ms. Beach stated it was based on a percentage and naturally Mr. Gensels would be considerable more because of wages. Ms. Beach asked why the correct amount was never turned into the pension back in November of 2008 when ND Financial submitted their report and received their compensation for doing so. Atty. Malak stated they were accurate to wait for the auditor's report where he was authorized by the board at a special executive session to go back the previous year. He would also be looking over his original findings to see if there were any changes to be made. Ms. Tearpock-Martini commented on how many audits have been done and paid for over the years and asked if Ms. Beach had a copy of the findings. Atty. Malak stated as follows:

They're not allegations, they're details, and no Francene and the reason is if you look at Mr. Daddio's report he clearly identifies it as an aid for investigation. A

criminal investigation. If you look at the right to know law that is not an accessible record right now. The items that he has in here time cards references those are all assessable to the public record. His actual report at this time is not subject to disclosure under the right to know law. The report is subject to non disclosure, Mr. Daddio's report. The information contained in it should be available for public inspection here under certain circumstances.

Mr. Gleco stated that he took the 2003 records to N.D. Financial in Sweet Valley only to find the time cards were missing. Ms. Tearpock-Martini stated they were locked in the cabinet and she took them out to ND Financial, and presented a sign out sheet that was signed by herself, the secretary, and Michael Daddio. Mr. Gleco questioned why they were removed from storage and locked in the cabinet. Ms. Beach stated they were never pulled and put into storage. Mr. Gleco and Mr. Gensel disagreed and stated that the time cards were put into storage. Mr. Gleco felt the secretary removed them from storage above the ceiling blocks.

In response to Ms. Beach's letter Mr. Noss stated that he did not get appointed to the sewer board to fire her.

Mr. Gleco stated that he checked into the dental insurance, United Concordia, and was told that the policy was taken out in November of 2004. He stated that the person from the company stated that Mary Brady's name was on it and she died in May of 2003 so how could she sign for a policy. Mr. Steeber stated that they never had dental insurance and it was never approved by the board. Ms. Beach stated that the original was through First Priority with the health insurance and stated that 4/23/03 the previous secretary Mary Brady was paying them for dental in the amount of \$70.65. Ms. Beach also pointed out that the health insurance bills still come to Mary Brady's attention. Mr. Gleco stated he had been there here for eleven (11) years and there was no dental insurance. Ms. Tearpock-Martini stated that it had been discussed here at meetings because Mr. Gensel stated he used his wife's but still needed this policy too. Ms. Tearpock-Martini asked how the board could pay for something for seven (7) years if they never had it. Mr. Steeber stated that previous board members allowed Ms. Beach to do whatever she wanted.

Meeting was open to the public, and three (3) were present.

Mrs. Aggie McDaniels stated that Mr. Gensel stated to her daughter Peggy that the secretary was a thief and stole from him pension. Mr. Gensel stated that he did not recollect that.

Ms. Jule Moore stated that at the last meeting they went into executive session and she waited outside. Before she was able to return the meeting had resumed. She asked that the board extend the courtesy for those attending to wait until all have been seated before resuming the meeting.

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Mr. Noss stated that regarding his check in question and him paying his bill was because he and his wife were ordered from the credit union to pay it. His credit union with their attorney would be taking over the check in question and it is out of his hands. Mr. Noss felt that a letter from the credit union's attorney should be coming because that check is a discrepancy.

Mr. Gleco asked for a motion to adjourn.

**Motion to Adjourn** by Mr. Steeber and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Ms. Tearpock-Martini. All stated aye in favor of adjournment.

**Special Meeting – Monday, October 26, 2009 - 4:00 PM**

No minutes. No recording. No notes.

**New Business November 17, 2009:**

**Next Scheduled Meeting: December 15, 2009**