

## **Tontitown Water & Sewer Meeting 2006-06-06**

### **Roll Call:**

Mick Wagner –present  
Bill Brandt –present  
Gene Baker –present  
Larry Goddard –present  
Casey Dunigan -absent

\*Also in attendance Water attorney Mark Dossett.

### **Approval of Minutes for 05/04/06 meeting:**

Motion to approve minutes as written by: Bill Brandt  
Seconded by: Larry Goddard

### **Vote:**

Brandt –yes, Baker-yes, Goddard-yes

### **OLD BUSINESS:**

#### **Update from lawyer on ESI litigation:**

The primary development is that all of the depositions occurred last week. At the depositions the documents that the City has been trying to get were finally presented. Copies of those documents are being made. The control information wasn't in those documents and we are still trying to get those. They are still refusing to give that information to the City. Trial date is still set for July 11<sup>th</sup> & 12<sup>th</sup>.

#### **Progress report 412/112 waterline Phase 2:**

It is approximately 60% complete with waterline in the ground. They should complete ahead of schedule with a scheduled date of completion at the end of July. They should complete well ahead of that. They have went back and had to reseed and add top soil to areas that they have worked in. During Phase 1 there was a bad cut in the road made by Southwestern Bell that Mr. Wagner asked the engineers to check into and to notify the county about getting it fixed. USI said that they would call Mr. John Gibson to get it resolved.

#### **Update on Sewer project (review easements):**

Mr. Carpenter brought out the easement acquisition map to show what easements that are still needed. We still need 2 easements on the force main. Both property owners have agreed to sign. One small parcel will be going through the condemnation process. Timeline for the engineers to put pipe in the ground on this parcel is 4 weeks. Advertising date for bids on the Barrington Road lift station and force main is set for 6/18/06 thru 6/25/06 with a receiving of the bids on 7/6/06. The Barrington Road lift station and force main should be operational at the end of March 2007. A control point chart will be made available to the Commission by USI at the next scheduled meeting.

**Discuss Sewer Rate analysis, connection fees:**

The Commission asked USI at the previous meeting to provide information on what the other surrounding cities were charging for connection fees. This information was provided by email to the Commissioners. The other cities have a tapping fee that ranges anywhere from \$125 to \$1500. The connection fee or impact fee ranges vary. This range is around \$835 for a 5/8" to 20,875 for a 4", with other meter sizes and prices in between.

**Discuss Fulton change order for S. Taldo:**

Mrs. Fulton & Mr. Highfill are still discussing the option. On Taldo loop all the easements both, Water & Sewer and Right-of-Ways, have been acquired except for one small parcel that's 1.5 acres & Mrs. Fulton's. Mrs. Fulton requested a layout of what the road right-of-way will be and any trees to be marked that will be taken out. The Street Committee has made Taldo loop their #1 priority so the road needs to be cut before the asphalt is laid.

**Review Taldo easements, ratify Meeks Condemnation:**

Mr. Meeks said "no" to give an easement. He is the one that owns the 1.5 acres on Taldo loop. He was asked to give 340 square feet for the easement. It has now come down to a condemnation issue. Mr. Meeks has the property up for sale now.

Motion made by Bill Brandt directing Mr. Dossett to proceed with condemnation on the Meeks property.

Seconded by: Gene Baker

**Vote:**

Brandt- yes, Baker- yes, Goddard- yes

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**Water Master Plan:**

The Water Master Plan has not been updated for sometime. A water rate analysis was done at the first of this year, end of last year. At the last meeting the Commission asked the engineers to come up with a Water Master Plan map. USI prepared a map that was

displayed at the Commission meeting. They notified the Commission that the map presented was still a work in progress.

**Review NACA Rate Performa:**

Not available at this point.

**Review financials:**

Commission members discussed financials that are posted on the Web.

**Consideration of budget revision:**

A prepared revision is to be scheduled in June.

**COMMENTS FROM COMMISSIONERS:**

The Water & Sewer Commission meeting for July has been rescheduled for July 6, 2006 at 3 p.m.

**Adjourn:**

Motion to adjourn made by: Bill Brandt  
Seconded by: Gene Baker

**Vote:**

Brandt- yes, Baker- yes, Wagner- yes