Municipal Authority of Conneaut Lake
Board Meeting
March 13, 2023

Members – Alan Baldarelli, James Tigri
Members attending via Conference Call – Carl McLean, Mario DeBlasio, Chris Gates
Others – Brian Cagle, Steve Halmi, Robert Morrow, Angela Perrine
Visitors – Dan Whalen and Brian Ferguson, board members from Conneaut Lake Joint Municipal Authority

Carl McLean called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

Mario DeBlasio made a motion to enter into Executive Session to discuss transfer of real estate to Conneaut Lake Joint Municipal Authority (CLJMA). Alan Baldarelli seconded the motion. (Motion carried)

Executive Session to discuss transfer of real estate began at 6:33 p.m. Executive Session ended at 6:50 p.m. and regular meeting resumed at that time.

Mario DeBlasio made motion to add Executive Session to discuss the pending litigation with the school board to the Agenda. Jim Tigri seconded the motion. (Motion carried) Roll call was taken: unanimous – yea.

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Executive Session to discuss the pending litigation with the Conneaut School District board of directors began at 7:35 p.m. Executive Session ended at 7:55 p.m. and regular meeting resumed at that time.

Mario DeBlasio made motion we send proposed sanitary sewer agreement to the school district as soon as Steve Halmi and Brian Cagle are happy with its composition. Carl McLean seconded the motion. (Motion carried) Roll call was taken: unanimous – yea.

Brian Cagle requested MACL's Rules and Regulations pertaining to sewer lateral inspections. Steve Halmi stated he would send MACL's Rules and Regulations to Brian.

Pertaining to sewer lateral inspections, Mario DeBlasio instructed Angela Perrine to not send final reads or anything else from MACL at the time of closing unless all requirements have been met, such as sewer lateral inspections.

Brian Cagle clarified that when a homeowner receives a shut off notice they need 15 days' notice. However, when a homeowner (landlord) with a tenant receives a shut off notice, the notice needs to be received by the landlord 37 days prior to shut off, and the tenant needs to receive the shut off notice 30 days prior to shut off.

Carl McLean instructed Bob Morrow to act on turning off water after sending out shut off notices.

Carl McLean instructed Angela Perrine to change the dates in MACL's Rules and Regulations.

Mario DeBlasio suggested to bring amendments to our Rules and regulations to our next meeting so they can be

voted on at that time.

Mario DeBlasio recommended sending certified shut off notices to everyone that is to receive a shut off notice, regardless if they are a homeowner, landlord, or tenant. Mario also added to hand deliver to the residence a copy of the shut off notice. Therefore, everyone is treated the same and will receive a shut off notice via certified mail as well as hand delivered to the residence.

Alan Baldarelli made motion to do what Mario DeBlasio said, we are going to go with 37 days for everybody and we will have to make changes to the documentation we have now, which Angela Perrine can do. Mario seconded the motion. (Motion carried). Roll call was taken: unanimous – yea.

Brian Cagle left the meeting at 8:30 p.m.

Mario DeBlasio made motion we authorize up to $2,000 and engage with Midwest Tank Management to evaluate the coatings on the tank and provide detailed evaluation and comprehensive specifications and recommendations for future action in regards to the coatings on the tank. Carl McLean added he would like to add to the motion if there is lead based paint found, they would not be able to stop the job or renegotiate. Alan Baldarelli seconded the motion. (Motion carried) Roll call was taken: unanimous – yea.

Steve Halmi recommends if MACL is going to engage with this company to do this inspection and make the recommendations, that he would like to be there for their inspection and to discuss their recommendations with them. Steve also suggested that Bob Morrow be there and one or more MACL board member be there as well.

Pertaining to the quotes received by Leary Construction Company, Steve Halmi said we will table discussion for now pending the results of the water tower inspection and recommendations.

Bob Morrow reported about a water line leak and repair at 365 Line Street. The leak and repair were on MACL's side of the line so MACL had to make the repair and pay for the repair. That leak brought our consumption down dramatically. We are running between 60,000 and 70,000 per day.

Bob Morrow also reported that, upon examination there is material build up in the manholes and the fact it has been almost 16 years since the line has been cleaned, approximately 2,600 feet of sewer line needs cleaned. Bob noted several options: 1). we can clean the main line, 2). clean the main line and camera the main line, or 3.) we can clean the main line, camera the main line and do the laterals also. The difference in prices are as follows: 1). cleaning the main line is $7,640, 2). cleaning and camera the line add about an additional $600, or 3). cleaning, camera the line and laterals around $9,000. Bob added if we wanted to do the cleaning, camera the line and laterals we would have to go with Insight Pipe, as they are the only company that will camera laterals.

Mario DeBlasio made a motion to engage with Insight Pipe to clean and camera the main line including laterals between manholes specified by Bob Morrow for a price of $9,000. Alan Baldarelli seconded the motion. (Motion carried) Roll call was taken: unanimous – yea.

Bob Morrow asked if there has been any information regarding the status of the grant for the Sixth Street sewer line main repair. Jim Tigri replied that MACL hasn't heard anything in response to the grant. Jim added he would call Fallon, secretary for Senator Brooks in Harrisburg, to inquire once again on the status of the grant. Alan Baldarelli added he would also call Brad Roae, State Representative, to inqure about the grant status as well.

Steve Halmi left meeting at 9:15 p.m.

Mario DeBlasio made motion MACL gets a credit card that is just a credit card with no debit card features. Jim Tigri seconded the motion. (Motion carried) Roll call was taken – unanimous – yea.

Jim Tigri questioned the amount of money in MACL's bank accounts and wants to make certain they are monitored to make certain they stay well under $250,000 (per depositor, per bank) to be covered by the FDIC insurance.

Pertaining to board member compensation, Mario DeBlasio tabled discussion until next month's meeting.

Minutes of previous meeting – (DeBlasio/Baldarelli)
Profit and Loss Statement – (McLean/DeBlasio)
Aged Accounts **–** Reviewed
Bills presented for payment –(McLean/DeBlasio)

Adjournment – 9:24 p.m. (DeBlasio/Gates)