

APPROVED MARCH 22, 2012



THORNBURY TOWNSHIP
DELAWARE COUNTY
Sewer Committee
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Ted Jacquet, Chairman
George Morley, Vice-Chairman

Jack Howley
Jim O'Brien
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Thornbury Township Sewer Committee Meeting Thursday, February 23, 2012

The Thornbury Township Sewer Committee held a public meeting on Thursday, February 23, 2012 at the Township Administration Building, 6 Township Drive, Cheyney, Pennsylvania. Chairman Jacquet called the meeting to order.

PRESENT: Ted Jacquet, Chairman
George Morley, Vice Chairman
Jack Howley
Mike Serth

ABSENT:

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MEMBERS OF PUBLIC: 1

Chairman Jacquet reviewed the Agenda, as follows:

AGENDA

1. **PUBLIC COMMENT**
2. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES – January 26, 2012**
3. **OLD BUSINESS**
 - a. **Brinton Lake Colony & High Point**
 - b. **Fox Lair**
 - c. **Guilday Subdivision**
 - d. **Future Connections**
4. **NEW BUSINESS**
 - a. **Township Manager's Report**
5. **NEXT MEETING – Thurs., March 22, 2012**
6. **ADJOURNMENT**

1. **PUBLIC COMMENT:** There were no comments from the public
2. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES – January 26, 2012:** On a motion by Mr. Morley and seconded by Mr. Howley, all members present voted "aye" to approve the January 26, 2012 minutes, as amended. Mr. Serth abstained, as this was his first meeting as a member.

3. OLD BUSINESS:

- a. Brinton Lake Colony & High Point:** Mr. Jacquet noted that Mr. O'Brien was absent, and had hoped that he would have reported on their HOA meeting. Since there was not much sewer discussion at the Brinton Lake HOA annual meeting, (as noted in #2 of the Manager's Report) Mr. Jacquet proposed that the Sewer Committee invite the Board and the Colony residents to a Sewer Committee meeting, as meeting with them had been delayed until after their annual meeting. If sewers are wanted, it would be a mixture of gravity and low-pressure. Mr. Howley was concerned as to what percentage of residents may be interested. Mr. Jacquet stated that this area was surveyed about 2 years ago and about 40% were interested at that time, but we had no numbers then. A discussion ensued as to why the residents on Lake Rd. were not made to tie in, as it is in the ordinance. Mr. Jacquet felt that residents had to tie in only if there was a problem with their system. Mr. Morley disagreed and felt that any house that sells within 150 ft. of the infrastructure may be required to tie in. Mr. Morley was concerned with homes that have sold and have not tied in or possibly have not gotten a septic system certification. Mr. Morley was also concerned with possible arbitrary language in our ordinance. Mr. Jacquet thought that the Township had a procedure that when a house is sold they must get clearance that their septic system is working.
- b. Fox Lair:** Mr. Jacquet noted that Mr. Scarth called the State this week and it is still unknown when Thornbury will receive the approvals. Thornbury is waiting to execute an agreement with Concord Twp. granting Thornbury 10 more EDUs for Fox Lair Rd. Mr. Jacquet stated that an estimated time table and costs were included in the last letter to the homeowners. Mr. Jacquet noted that Mr. Scarth had it scheduled for next spring, depending on next winter. Mr. Jacquet read #5 in the Manager's Report in which Mr. Seagraves met with Mr. Anderman and Mr. Scarth to discuss the Fox Lair agreement with Concord and some minor changes were proposed.
- c. Guilday Subdivision:** Mr. Jacquet highlighted Pennoni's 2/20/12 review letter. The members concurred that there were no routing changes noted in Pennoni's letter, so there is nothing to report to the Board.
- d. Future Connections:** Mr. Jacquet reported that there were a couple of inquiries about sewers, as follows:

(1) Grist Mill Rd, possibly lot 62: It was felt that this property could easily hook-up thru the manhole rather than get an easement and go to the

pumping station, as it was easier and less costly. Mr. Seagraves had suggested the property owner to attend a Sewer Committee meeting.

(2) Mrs. Welsh on Skyline Dr. wants to know the cost per property to get public sewer on Skyline Dr. Mr. Morley felt that these requests should be routed to Mr. Seagraves, as they require an engineering study which is costly to the Township.

The members then looked over Pennoni's sewer map which shows location of sewers and shows low-pressure or gravity, but lacks house numbers to identify the properties, hook-ups, and man-holes. Mr. Jacquet will bring it up at the next Board meeting.

Mr. Howley noted the need to have space reserved in every newsletter for sewer updates and schedules. Mr. Jacquet reported that he put an article in the recent issue.

The members felt that downtown Thornton and Timber Lane should be discussed in the near future for possible sewers.

- e. **Rules & Regs:** Mr. Jacquet noted there were some differences between Concord's (CTSA) Rules and Regs and our ordinance. Mr. Jacquet stated that he reported this to Mr. Seagraves who will sort it out. About a year ago the Sewer Committee recommended acceptance to the Board, but the Board has not yet done so.

4. NEW BUSINESS:

a. Township Manager's Report: Mr. Jacquet highlighted the report.

5. NEXT MEETING: Thurs., March 22, 2012 at 7:00 p.m.

6. ADJOURNMENT: On a motion by Mr. Morley and seconded by Mr. Howley, the meeting was adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Deborah Zitarelli
Sewer Committee Secretary

cc: Sewer Committee Members	Justin Scarth, Pennoni Associates
Board of Supervisors	Lloyd Noll, Township Sewer Engineer
James McCann, PE, Township Sewer Engineer	Robert P. Anderman, Esq.
Jeffrey Seagraves, Township Manager	Suzanne Howat, Bookkeeper
Geoff Carbutt, Subdivision Coordinator	