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Bethel Township Municipal Authority
Monthly Report for July '06

Village of Frystown:

1. The supplemental Archaeological work (as created by the revised sewer layout) has been completed (field work). The archaeologist has reported back to us (informally) that no significant items were found and therefore, no further studies and involvement are anticipated. The draft report should be submitted to our office (for review) within the next several weeks.
2. This office is continuing our efforts on the easements (exhibits and descriptions). With the completion of the Part II permits, this work was delayed but we should have these completed shortly.
3. We received the final information from the pump manufacturer this past Monday evening (July 3, 2006) and so we are now finalizing the permit package (as the writing of this report). The Frystown Water Quality Management Permit (Part II) should be submitted either today or tomorrow at the latest.

Village of Bethel:

4. As authorized last month we continued our efforts with the wetlands studies and the Phase I Bog Turtle Habitat Study. As part of our review of the project with respect to the environmental impacts as well as the impacts to the adjoining properties we have evaluated the overall sewer line layout and have a revised alignment for the Authority's further consideration. This revised layout avoids the wetland impacts with the previous layout and should eliminate any delays associated with the wetland impacts.
5. The Archaeological work has been completed (field work). The archaeologist has reported back to us (informally) that no significant items were found and therefore, no further studies and involvement are anticipated with the Pennsylvania Historical Museum Commission (PHMC). The draft report should be submitted to our office (for review) within the next several weeks. The final report will then be submitted to the PHMC for their review and concurrence.
6. We attended a meeting at the Berks County Industrial Development Authority (regular meeting) on June 12, 2006. The developer evaluating the IDA property (PRO LOGIS) was at the meeting presenting the status and initial findings of their due diligence on the property. We generally discussed the Authority's position with the unknowns (undetermined flows and timing for the IDA property) which are affecting the schedule for the Authority project. It was decided to have a conference call to further discuss these items.
7. A conference call with the Berks County IDA, the PADEP permitting staff, PENNVEST, SSM and Fisher Engineering, Inc. continued our conversation at the IDA meeting. All

parties came to a general recommendation on the phone call that the Bethel Township Municipal Authority should proceed with their portion of the sewer project with the PENNWORKS funds. The remainder of the project (IDA site, Klahr Road and other areas) can be completed later when the details are known. Although all parties involved (PADEP, PENNVEST, IDA, etc. agreed to the General concept, no specific parameters were established. A follow up conversation we had with Vickie Johnson (PENNVEST) revealed that the Specifics should be discussed further with all parties in a sit down meeting so that a workable plan (amenable to all parties) can be formulated.

General System Information & Logistics:

8. As authorized we have been assisting RCAP Solutions (firm authorized to complete the income survey) in preparing the various documents. We have completed the required mapping and initial lists (in corresponding order to the maps) with respect to RCAP's latest standards. Additionally we have prepared the initial and follow up letters to be sent out to the residents along with RCAP's direction. At this point RCAP is waiting on the following information before proceeding with this project:
 - a. A retainer check for fifty percent (50%) of the contract amount (\$4,250).
 - b. A final mailing list of residents. We prepared an initial list (which includes the extended service areas) and have forwarded this to Jayne Seiffert (Twp. Secretary) and Darlene Orendo for their review and further verification.

Should there be any questions, please feel free to contact me.
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