

Cumberland-Franklin Joint Municipal Authority

(October 13, 2016)

- Chairman Tom Ginnick called the meeting of the Cumberland-Franklin Joint Municipal Authority to order in the office of C.F.J.M.A. at 6:00 p.m. and asked for a moment of silence and the pledge to the flag.
- Those present were:

Dwain Koser	Attorney Jim Robinson	George Foreman
Angelique Brown	Steve Wolfe	Tom Ginnick
John Knutelsky	Randall Kendig	Jerome Kater
Steve Oldt	Jessie Cooley	Teresa Cooley
- Mr. Wolfe motioned to accept the September 8, 2016 minutes. Mr. Oldt seconded the motion and motion carried.
- There were no Public Comments.
- Mr. Ginnick moved Jesse and Teresa Cooley from the end of the meeting under “New Business” to right after “Public Comments.” Dwain gave a brief overview of the situation with the Cooleys, as per what was on the agenda – “The Cooley’s house burnt Feb 8, 2014. Mr. Cooley called on Feb 10, 2014 – wanted to discontinue sewer service and thought billing would be stopped. The non-billing policy was explained and Mr. Cooley said he would be at the next board meeting. No show at meeting. The Cooley’s continued to pay sewer service through Jan 2015 and one payment in May 2016 and another payment in Aug 2016, still having an outstanding balance of \$870.00 on their account. A letter from Mr. Robinson, our solicitor, was sent on Sept 21, 2016 explaining that if a payment plan was not arranged with CFJMA, a Writ of Scire Facias would be filed against them. After receiving the letter, Mr. Cooley called to vent his disagreement with this procedure. Mrs. Cooley then called to make a payment arrangement on Sept 28th. The Cooleys have a 2-year payment arrangement of \$99.83/month.” Dwain then handed the floor to the Cooleys to speak on their behalf. Both Jesse and Teresa expressed their disagreement with being billed for a time period that their house was “unlivable”. And, they petitioned the board for a refund on the money that they had already paid for the service during that time period. Attorney Robinson explained to them that they aren’t paying for consumption, they are paying for the right to use the line and the maintenance and treatment. After much discussion back and forth between Mr. and Mrs. Cooley and the individual board members, Vice Chairman Oldt replied, “It doesn’t seem fair, and we’ve heard it before, we will certainly continue to take it into consideration. We can always take a look at it and make a decision, but the ones we’ve heard so far and the ones we’ve had, we haven’t seen any thought process for us to change. But, we’ll continue to keep looking at it. At this point I don’t think anything is going to change. We’ve heard you, we’ll take it under advisement, we’ll take it into

consideration, but I don't see it changing." Mr. Cooley thanked the board and the meeting proceeded.

- Under Correspondence –
 1. Mrs. Heckman sent a card thanking CFJMA for the flowers that were sent in memory of her husband, Charles Heckman.
 2. We received a letter from the Borough of Shippensburg in regards to "Surcharges prior to July 1, 2016." Both CFJMA and the Boro have agreed to bar themselves from pursuing claims for any and all surcharges owed by either entity before July 1, 2016. **(see attached)**
- Mr. Oldt motioned to approve the October 13, 2016 Treasurer's Report and Mr. Kater seconded the motion. Motion carried.
- Under the Solicitor's Report, Attorney Robinson presented the following:
 1. Pension aids – "The townships are eligible for state pension aids administered by the Auditor General. Authorities are not eligible for the state pension aids; therefore they do not receive the refund that the townships do.
 2. Wastewater Treatment problems – At the last meeting, in September, it looked like things were slowed down in the treatment plant project, but getting back on track and everything was looking good. As of the October 11, 2016 Sewer Treatment Plant Committee meeting there was discussion on the considerable problems in getting it to work the way it should be working. The levels within the system have gone higher than we believe that they should, the flow through the system doesn't seem to be working the way that it's supposed to be working and the screens are not the way that they need to be. Jim then handed the discussion over to Dwain. He presented an idea to the board to have a third party engineering firm assess the plant and give their professional opinion of what is needed to fix it properly at this point. GHD engineering firm has quoted a price of \$5,500.00 to evaluate and present an assessment. After much discussion between the board members, Mr. Kater motioned to "accept the GHD engineering quote and go ahead." Mr. Wolfe seconded the motion and it carried.
- Under the Manager's Report, Dwain presented the following:
 1. Beverly Horn was on the agenda to present a request for the Garden Club to use the front of the parking lot of our building on King Street for their annual plant sale in the spring of 2017. She was not present at the meeting; therefore Dwain mentioned it to the board. After discussion, the board members were all in agreement that they were "good with it" and the Garden Club could use the front of the parking lot for their sale.
 2. He updated the board members with the progress on the new building and reported that there has been painting, the ceiling tiles have all been replaced and he met with a man on installing a drive-up-window, and is waiting for him to get back to him.

3. He had \$5,000 allotted in the 2016 budget for a trailer. The needs have changed with the purchase of the building on King Street, and he wanted to let the board members know that he was going to purchase a lift instead.
 4. He mentioned that Mr. Baumgardner had come in to purchase the permit that he needed on Truck Tech Way.
- Under New Business, Mr. Kater mentioned the following:
 1. He suggested that the authority look into setting up the company phone lines that they are recorded.
 2. He mentioned the employee appreciation dinner and that they would be looking for a date.
 - Motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:18 pm was given by Mr. Wolfe and seconded by Mr. Oldt.

Respectfully submitted,

Randall Kendig, Secretary