

MUNICIPAL ENTERPRISES COMMITTEE REPORT – NOVEMBER 8, 2021

Members: Martin, Chairman; Richard, Vice Chairman; Ressler, Member; Reinhold, Alternate; Morrison, Staff

Attendees: Martin, Chairman; Richard, Vice Chairman; Ressler, Member; Reinhold, Alternate; Rowe, Council President; Zimmerman, Councilman; Barr, Councilman; Dudley, Councilman; Morrison, Nigrelli, Staff; Thompson, Borough Manager; Mowen, Mayor; Visitors: Rebecca Beres; Scot Sherbine; Teresa Caruthers

The Municipal Enterprises Committee met on October 18, 2021, and discussed the following:

Action Items:

1. The Committee reviewed and discussed a Staff recommendation to authorize payment for the relocation/replacement of a resident shed as part of the Gross Run Streambank Restoration Project. The Committee will recommend that Borough Council authorize payment, from 31-49-055-7600, not to exceed \$6,000, at their November 8, 2021 meeting.

Discussion Items:

1. Staff presented the Committee with the 3rd Quarter Financial Report and indicated that revenues and expenditures are currently on track with the 2021 budget.
2. Mr. Morrison provided an update on the Borough's solar facility. He informed the Committee that all necessary repairs have been made, Ephrata Electric Department's testing is complete, and the Borough is awaiting PPL to complete testing. PPL is expected to be on site on October 22 for testing; after which, the solar facility will likely be brought back online.
3. Mr. Morrison delivered a presentation on the financial implications of Net Metering, as well as various potential alternatives. A lengthy discussion was had and the Council asked Mr. Morrison to continue presenting information in an effort to have further discussions on the topic.
4. Due to time constraints, Staff's presentation on Smart Meters and Advanced Metering Infrastructure will be provided at the next Committee meeting.