

PROJECT STATUS REPORT FOR TARENTUM BOROUGH

February 2019

A. Current Projects:

1. Tarentum Consent Order and Agreement (Sanitary Sewers)

The Upper Allegheny Joint Sanitary Authority received a letter from PA DEP on March 22, 2018, in which the Long Term Control Plan (LTCP) was conditionally approved. The approval contains compliance dates through 2025. The approval letter is voluminous; however, the Authority will be required to construct an equalization tank at the sewage treatment plant, upgrade the Bull Creek pump station and upsize the Little Bull Creek interceptor.

Individual meetings, regarding the Sanitary Sewer Evaluation Survey (SSES) Plan, with each municipality and Paul Eiswerth of the PA DEP were held on February 14, 2019. During this time, Tarentum agreed to submit a summary report within 9 months providing the following information:

Phase 1

- Provide a summary of MH and CCTV inspections completed to date.
- Provide a list of proposed projects with an Implementation Schedule. In addition, please provide a map illustrating the location of these proposed projects.
- Financial Analysis of the Borough's financial capability.

Phase 2

- Provide a timeline to complete CCTV's of the Borough's system.
- Provide a timeline to complete inspection of the unopen manholes.

GTE provided a post meeting summary letter to Paul Eiswerth of the PA DEP which recognized the tasks mentioned above. In addition, GTE provided the following statement:

For the record, Tarentum borough and GTE object to the request by Mr. Eiswerth that Tarentum supply financial capabilities to complete CCTV of their system. This is beyond the scope of the order. This is a combined system in which modeling has shown can meet better than 85% removal, and no other community has been required to complete this work. The request to find the remaining 62 MHs is not required, and although a good idea, should not be put in as a milestone required by the SSES Plan or the Order.

2. Small Water and Sewer Project Grant Applications

- The West 8th Avenue Waterline Replacement project received a grant in the amount of \$403,172 which is 100% of the grant requested. GTE is waiting to hear from the Borough. Once the grant agreement is executed, design will be completed and plans and specifications will be finalized.

3. GEDF Projects

- Application deadline – April 26th. Preparing application to cover sanitary sewer repairs, which will be required by the consent order.

4. RUS/USDA

A scoping meeting is being held with Mike Nestico on Tuesday, July 10th to determine feasibility of acquiring a grant/loan for waterline replacements (no action taken).

5. Cost Reimbursement (PennDOT)

- Relocate overhead power lines in advance of work on Tarentum Bridge. Gibson-Thomas Engineering has submitted paperwork to Michael Baker and PennDOT. Schultheis Electric will be responsible for the actual work.

6. Prepared and submitted ARLE Grant for traffic signal replacement at the intersection of East 10th Avenue and Corbett Street on July 6, 2018.

7. Water Valve Replacement Project (CDBG)

- All work is completed except for final restoration (asphalt).

8. Year 45 CDBG Application for 2019

- A full application for the water valve replacement and installation project was completed. Pending on-line review by AVNCOG.

9. Preparing Grant Application for Tarentum Park (\$191,000). Project items being considered include:

- a) Playground floor matting replacement
- b) Additional playground equipment
- c) Fence repair/relocation
- d) Small pavilion for splash pad/playground (shade area)
- e) Band shell renovations

10. Preparing Grant Application for Dreshar Stadium (\$50,000).

The application for the Keystone Communities Program was submitted on October 26, 2018. The work included was for block wall rehabilitation and asphalt replacement. The Borough has signed the grant agreements, waiting for the State to sign/execute it.

Respectfully Submitted February 20, 2019

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