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Dublin Borough Council awards contracts for safety equipment study, sewer rehabilitation project

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It was business as usual at the Aug. 11 Dublin Borough Council meeting. Council members unanimously awarded several contracts to contractors at the Monday night meeting.

As part of OSHA's requirements, contractors working with the electrical equipment in the water and sewer facilities in the borough need to make sure their safety equipment is adequate. According to borough Engineer Thomas Zarko, the study will look at what type of protective clothing the contractors will need, which could include certain gloves, safety goggles or jackets. The study will be conducted to look at potential hazards in the facilities. The contract was awarded to Premium Power Services, of Kennett Square, for \$14,950.

Council members awarded Tri-State Grouting, of Newark, Del., a \$32,746 contract to complete the sanitary sewer rehabilitation project. According to Zarko, repairs will take place throughout all areas of the borough and are expected to be completed by November.

The second roof on the borough's sewer treatment plant is getting a facelift. Council members awarded DVC Roofing, of Kintnersville, a \$1,424 contract to complete the work, which Zarko described as "preventative maintenance."

In other business, the borough agreed to pay a \$2,742 penalty to the Department of Environmental Protection for a leak that occurred in March. The sewer plant in Bedminster leaked about two gallons of a chemical into Deep Run Creek, and the borough was charged for the spill. According to Borough Manager William Wert, no vegetation or wildlife was damaged from the leak.

Erosion concerns at the new Supplee Park still are an issue. Zarko explained that the playground area is difficult to stabilize, and a heavy duty erosion material will need to be placed in the 25-by-25-foot area. The plan is to rebuild the bank, apply seed and fertilizer and put a steel mesh mat down to make sure no more erosion occurs.

"It's a lot cheaper to do this than to replace the walkway," said council member Gary Mast of the \$1,500 job.

Fire Chief Kevin Nugent urged community members to come out to support the annual firemen's carnival. It will run from Aug. 13 to 16 and Aug. 20 to 23, with fireworks on Aug. 23.

The next borough meeting will be Sept. 8.

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