

The Regular Meeting of the Bloomsburg Municipal Authority Board was held Tuesday, May 10, 2016, 4:30pm in Council Chambers of Town Hall, Bloomsburg, PA.

Thomas Evans presided. Those present included: Board Members Lawrence Mack, Claude Renninger, Carey Howell and Andrew Barton; Alvin Luschas, Derr, Pursel, Luschas and Naparsteck LLP; Brian Book, Rettew Associates, Inc.; Plant Superintendent Daniel Murphy; Assistant Superintendent Mark Tappe (leaving at 5:15pm); Public Works Superintendent John Barton; Secretary/Office Manager Amber Kenney and Assistant Secretary Carol Mas.

The meeting adjourned into an Executive Session at 4:31pm to discuss with legal counsel issues relating to the wastewater treatment plant upgrade project and to address personnel issues. The meeting reconvened at 5:20pm.

APPROVAL OF SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT WITH SAFECO INSURANCE COMPANY OF AMERICA

On a motion by C. Renninger, seconded by C. Howell and voted on unanimously, the Board approved the settlement agreement with Safeco Insurance Company of America in the amount of \$475,000.00 with no additional payments to be made and authorized Solicitor Luschas to continue litigation with Gannett Fleming and possibly Buchart Horn.

APPROVAL OF APRIL 12, 2016 MINUTES

On a motion by C. Howell, seconded by C. Renninger and voted on unanimously, the Board approved the April 12, 2016 minutes without any additions or corrections.

APPROVAL OF PAYMENT OF MONTHLY OPERATING AND MAINTENANCE BILLS FOR APRIL

On a motion by L. Mack, seconded by A. Barton and voted on unanimously, the Board approved payment of the monthly operating and maintenance bills for April in the amount of \$159,169.73.

APPROVAL OF PAYMENT OF MONTHLY SEWER MAINTENANCE BILLS FOR APRIL

On a motion by A. Barton, seconded by C. Howell and voted on unanimously, the Board approved payment of the monthly sewer maintenance bills for April in the amount of \$3,445.72.

APPROVAL OF PAYMENT OF INVOICE FROM KEGEL, KELIN, ALMY & LORD

On a motion by C. Howell, seconded by A. Barton and voted on unanimously, the Board approved payment of invoice from Kegel, Kelin, Almy & Lord in the amount of \$1,106.25 for April legal services.

APPROVAL OF HAVING PENSION FUND TRUSTEES INVEST IN TRIPLE B BONDS

On a motion by C. Renninger, seconded by C. Howell and voted on unanimously, the Board approved pension fund trustees from First Columbia Bank to invest in triple B Bonds.

SCOTT TOWNSHIP FLOWS

Scott Township flows averaged 389,533 gallons during the month of April with the maximum flow of 515,000 gallons occurring on April 7th.

APPROVAL OF HIRING AN OPERATOR

On a motion by L. Mack, seconded by C. Howell and voted on unanimously, the Board approved hiring Josh Young as an Operator at the wastewater treatment plant effective May 25th contingent upon a successful background check.

APPROVAL OF HIRING A SPECIAL PROJECTS COORDINATOR

On a motion by C. Howell, seconded by L. Mack and voted on unanimously, the Board approved hiring Evan Thursby as Special Projects Coordinator at the wastewater treatment plant effective May 11th at a salary of \$48,000.00.

APPROVAL OF ADVERTISING FOR AN OPERATOR/LAB TECHNICIAN

On a motion by C. Renninger, seconded by C. Howell and voted on unanimously, the Board approved advertising for an Operator/Lab Technician at the wastewater treatment plant.

APPROVAL OF WALTER POTTER USING RETIREMENT SICK TIME AS TIME OFF

On a motion by L. Mack, seconded by T. Evans and voted on unanimously, the Board approved a request from Operator Walter Potter to use sick time as time off prior to his 2017 retirement date in lieu of paid sick leave.

APPROVAL OF SIGNING CONSENT ASSESSMENT OF CIVIL PENALTY

On a motion by C. Renninger, seconded by C. Howell and voted on unanimously, the Board approved signing the Consent Assessment of Civil Penalty from the Department of Environmental Protection and paying the \$3,000.00 penalty due to excessive blockages.

APPROVAL OF SEWER CREDIT FOR THOMAS ERNST

On a motion by L. Mack, seconded by A. Barton and voted on unanimously, the Board approved a sewer credit in the amount of \$788.36 for Thomas Ernst at 42 North Iron Street.

APPROVAL OF RETTEW ASSOCIATES ADDENDUM TO ESTABLISH USER RATES

On a motion by C. Renninger, seconded by C. Howell and voted on unanimously, the Board approved the addendum from Rettew Associates in the amount of \$1,000.00 to continue work on establishing user rates.

APPROVAL OF PROPOSAL FROM RETTEW ASSOCIATES TO ASSIST WITH DEVELOPMENT OF LONG TERM CAPITAL PLAN

On a motion by C. Howell, seconded by L. Mack and voted on unanimously, the Board approved the Rettew Associates proposal in the amount of \$7,800.00 to assist with development of a long term capital plan.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 6:26pm.

AMBER KENNEY
Secretary/Office Manager

CAROL L. MAS
Assistant Secretary