

The Regular Meeting of the Bloomsburg Municipal Authority Board was held Tuesday, August 12, 2014, 5:00pm in Council Chambers of Town Hall, Bloomsburg, PA.

Thomas Evans presided. Those present included: Board Members Andrew Keister, Lawrence Mack, Claude Renninger and Carey Howell; Alvin Luschas, Derr, Pursel, Luschas and Naparsteck LLP; Plant Superintendent Daniel Murphy; Public Works Superintendent John Barton; Secretary/Office Manager Amber Kenney and Assistant Secretary Carol Mas. Absent was Assistant Plant Superintendent Mark Tappe.

An Executive Session was held at 4:30pm to discuss with legal counsel pending litigation with Galway Bay Corporation regarding the plant upgrade.

CITIZENS TO BE HEARD – WILLIAM SEIGEL, SEDA-COG

William Seigel hand delivered the easements for the project to the Authority for their review and signature.

Mr Seigel asked for approval to submit the Water Quality Permit for the Flood Control Project. David Weiller, Borton Lawson engineer, worked on getting responses to the questions raised by Larson Design Group after their review of the permit application and plan documents, but he understood that the Authority may not be ready to give their approval at this time. The Authority will maintain ownership of the permit. He said that the review accomplished two things; (1) it provided for a second review of the application and (2) it looked at the operations and maintenance of the system which was underdeveloped at this time.

On a motion by C. Howell, seconded by L. Mack and voted on unanimously, the Board approved submitting the Water Quality Permit application contingent upon a letter from Columbia County stating they read the Review of the Bloomsburg Flood Control Project prepared by Larson Design Group dated August 8, 2014 and that they will fully address the comments in the letter in a manner acceptable to the Authority. This letter is a condition precedent to final approval. The County will also assure the Authority that they will work with the Authority, the Authority's engineer and technical staff to address the items raised in the correspondence.

APPROVAL OF JULY 8, 2014 MINUTES

On a motion by C. Renninger, seconded by L. Mack and voted on unanimously, the Board approved the July 8, 2014 minutes without any additions or corrections.

APPROVAL OF JULY 31, 2014 MINUTES

On a motion by C. Renninger, seconded by L. Mack and voted on unanimously, the Board approved the July 31, 2014 minutes without any additions or corrections.

APPROVAL OF PAYMENT OF MONTHLY OPERATING AND MAINTENANCE BILLS FOR JULY

On a motion by C. Howell, seconded by L. Mack and voted on unanimously, the Board approved payment of the monthly operating and maintenance bills for July in the amount of \$170,087.14.

APPROVAL OF MONTHLY SEWER MAINTENANCE BILLS FOR JULY

On a motion by A. Keister, seconded by L. Mack and voted on unanimously, the Board approved payment of the monthly sewer maintenance bills for July in the amount of \$2,130.23.

APPROVAL OF PAYMENT OF BILL TO RENCO ACE HARDWARE FOR JULY

On a motion by C. Howell, seconded by L. Mack and voted on Four (4) (T. Evans, A. Keister, L. Mack and C. Howell voting "Yes") to One (1) abstention (C. Renninger "Abstaining"), the Board approved the payment of bills from Renco Ace Hardware for July in the amount of \$97.35.

APPROVAL OF FINAL INVOICE FROM LARSON DESIGN GROUP FOR SLUDGE DEWATERING SYSTEM ASSESSMENT

On a motion by C. Howell, seconded by C. Renninger and voted on Four (4) (T. Evans, C. Renninger, L. Mack and C. Howell voting "Yes") to One (1) abstention (A. Keister "Abstaining"), the Board approved the payment of the final invoice from Larson Design Group in the amount of \$41,341.19 for the sludge dewatering system assessment.

APPROVAL OF INVOICE FROM LARSON DESIGN GROUP FOR SEWER RATE STUDY

On a motion by C. Howell, seconded by C. Renninger and voted on Four (4) (T. Evans, C. Renninger, L. Mack and C. Howell voting "Yes") to One (1) abstention (A. Keister "Abstaining"), the Board approved the payment of invoice from Larson Design Group in the amount of \$3,689.80 for the sewer rate study.

APPROVAL OF INVOICE FROM DERR, PURSEL, LUSCHAS & NAPARSTACK

On a motion by A. Keister, seconded by L. Mack and voted on unanimously, the Board approved payment of invoice from Derr, Pursel, Luschas & Naparstack in the amount of \$875.00 for legal services.

APPROVAL OF INVOICE FROM KEGEL, KELIN, ALMY & LORD

On a motion by C. Howell, seconded by L. Mack and voted on unanimously, the Board approved payment of invoice from Kegel, Kelin, Almy & Lord in the amount of \$5,927.93 for July legal services.

APPROVAL OF INVOICE FROM FIRST COLUMBIA BANK FROM PENSION FUNDS

On a motion by C. Howell, seconded by A. Keister and voted on unanimously, the Board approved payment of invoice from First Columbia Bank in the amount of \$1,301.27 from the pension fund for the second quarter 2014 trustee fees.

SCOTT TOWNSHIP FLOWS

Scott Township flows averaged 329,065 gallons during the month of June with the maximum flow of 380,000 gallons occurring on July 3rd.

A. Kenney reported that credits were due Scott Township for each quarter this year due to actual flows being below the estimate for both Scott Township and the plant which may result in not reaching the budgeted revenue for Scott Township treatment charges.

DELINQUENT ACCOUNTS UPDATE

Solicitor Luschas will be submitting documents with the court to require a landlord to provide the Authority with a list of tenants living at the property with delinquent sewer accounts.

The Board requested that Remit Corporation complete the shutoff procedure for two (2) of the accounts.

APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION NO. 08-12-14.01

On a motion by C. Renninger, seconded by C. Howell and voted unanimously, the Board approved Resolution No. 08-12-14.01 amending Article 307 of the Wastewater Facilities Use Resolution eliminating the limit on connection fees.

APPROVAL OF BUDGET TRANSFERS

On a motion by A. Keister, seconded by L. Mack and voted on unanimously, the Board approved budget transfers recommended by staff.

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08.400.00.5311	6,500.00	
08.400.00.5313		6,500.00
08.427.00.5330	5,000.00	
08.427.00.5376		20,000.00
08.429.00.5120		20,000.00
08.429.00.5230	10,000.00	
08.429.00.5232	4,000.00	
08.429.00.5260	2,000.00	
08.429.00.5311	26,000.00	
08.429.00.5316	5,000.00	
08.429.00.5370	15,000.00	
08.429.00.5710		27,000.00

APPROVAL OF SEWER CREDIT FOR SUSAN HELWIG

On a motion by L. Mack, seconded by C. Howell and voted on unanimously, the Board approved a sewer credit in the amount of \$399.27 for Susan Helwig, 596 East 3rd Street, due to the bill going to the tenant instead of the property owner. The amount is equal to the accumulated penalty, interest and collection fees.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 6:14pm.

AMBER KENNEY
Secretary/Office Manager

CAROL L. MAS
Assistant Secretary