

The Regular Meeting of the Bloomsburg Municipal Authority Board was held Tuesday, March 9, 2021, beginning at 4:00pm via teleconference through Zoom.

Chair Thomas Evans presided. Those present included Vice-Chair Vincent DeMelfi joining at 4:06pm; Treasurer Michael Upton; Board Members Lawrence Mack joining at 4:33pm and Jared Harris; Assistant Plant Superintendent Mark Tappe; Maintenance/Collection System Supervisor Josh Young; George Myers and Jeff Slabinski, Myers Environmental Services; Solicitor Alvin Luschas, Luschas, Naparsteck & Crane LLP; Steven Siegfried, P.E., Rettew; Secretary/Office Manager Amber Kenney and Billing and Collections Director Amy Seamans.

CITIZEN TO BE HEARD – ROSS BAILEY

Ross Bailey of 737 E. Fifth Street stated that a year ago he had a sink hole develop at the end of his driveway but he filled it himself. Recently the sink hole opened up again and it was after the Authority had a contractor fix an underground pipe issue. He spoke to Josh Young at the Authority and he was told that the contractor is coming back to permanently pave the area once the local asphalt company opens for the season. He thanked Josh for taking care of the issue.

APPROVAL OF FEBRUARY 9, 2021 MINUTES

On a motion by J. Harris, seconded by M. Upton and voted on unanimously, the Board approved the February 9, 2021 minutes without any additions or corrections.

APPROVAL OF PAYMENT OF MONTHLY OPERATING AND MAINTENANCE BILLS FOR FEBRUARY

On a motion by M. Upton, seconded by J. Harris and voted on unanimously, the Board approved payment of the monthly operating and maintenance bills for February in the amount of \$654,205.94.

APPROVAL OF PAYMENT OF MONTHLY SEWER MAINTENANCE BILLS FOR FEBRUARY

On a motion by V. DeMelfi, seconded by M. Upton and voted on unanimously, the Board approved payment of the monthly sewer maintenance bills for February in the amount of \$12,319.69.

APPROVAL OF PAYMENT TO GHD, INC.

On a motion by J. Harris, seconded by M. Upton and voted on unanimously, the Board approved payment to GHD, Inc. in the amount of \$32,485.05 for engineering services associated with the WWTP Improvements Project from the Construction account.

APPROVAL OF PAYMENT NO. 3 TO LECCE ELECTRIC, INC.

On a motion by V. DeMelfi, seconded by J. Harris and voted on unanimously, the Board approved payment No. 3 to Lecce Electric, Inc. in the amount of \$164,159.15 for Electrical Construction Services associated with the WWTP Improvements Project from the Construction account.

APPROVAL OF PAYMENT NO. 5 TO MASTER MECHANICAL CORPORATION

On a motion by M. Upton, seconded by V. DeMelfi and voted on unanimously, the Board approved payment No. 5 to Master Mechanical Corp. in the amount of \$4,533.44 for Mechanical Construction Services of the WWTP Improvement Project from the Construction account.

APPROVAL OF PAYMENT NO. 10 TO PERFORMANCE CONSTRUCTION SERVICES, INC.

On a motion by J. Harris, seconded by M. Upton and voted on unanimously, the Board approved payment No. 10 to Performance Construction Services, Inc. in the amount of \$476,957.77 for General Construction Services of the WWTP Improvements Project from the Construction account.

APPROVAL OF CHANGE ORDER NO. 1 FROM LECCE ELECTRIC, INC.

On a motion by V. DeMelfi, seconded by M. Upton and voted on unanimously, the Board approved Change Order No. 1 from Lecce Electric, Inc. in the amount of \$17,505.00 for unforeseen site conditions.

APPROVAL OF CHANGE ORDER NO. 2 FROM MASTER MECHANICAL CORPORATION

On a motion by V. DeMelfi, seconded by M. Upton and voted on unanimously, the Board approved Change Order No. 2 from Master Mechanical Corporation in the amount of \$3,650.17 for unforeseen site conditions.

APPROVAL OF HIRING JOSEPH MARSHALL AS AN OPERATOR/LAB TECHNICIAN

On a motion by V. DeMelfi, seconded by M. Upton and voted on unanimously, the Board approved hiring Joseph Marshall as an Operator/Lab Technician at the wastewater treatment plant with a start date to be determined.

APPROVAL OF INTERNALLY POSTING AND ADVERTISING THE OPERATOR/MAINTENANCE POSITION

On a motion by V. DeMelfi, seconded by J. Harris and voted on unanimously, the Board approved the Operator/Maintenance position being posted internally at the wastewater treatment plant and advertising the position in the Press Enterprise if there are no applicants after five (5) days.

LEGAL ISSUES

Solicitor Luschas reported that he is continuing to work on the floodwall pump station maintenance agreement with staff and Eric Stahley. A right to know request was sent to the University last week and they responded with a 30-day extension. A. Kenney updated the Board on the status of the reimbursement request of the Authority's expenses incurred for the Town/School District flood control project.

APPROVAL OF A LEASE AGREEMENT WITH F.N.B. COMMERCIAL LEASING FOR THE LEASE PURCHASE OF A 2021 VACTOR COMBINATION SEWER AND CATCH BASIN CLEANER UNIT FROM A & H EQUIPMENT

On a motion by J. Harris, seconded by M. Upton and voted on unanimously, the Board approved a lease agreement with F.N.B. Commercial Leasing for the lease purchase of a 2021 Vactor combination sewer and catch basin cleaner unit from A & H Equipment in the amount of \$438,185.48 (\$140,000 at signing + 4 annual payments of \$78,547).

APPROVAL OF LISTING SIX PUMPS AND MUFFIN MONSTER ON MUNCIBID FOR SALE

On a motion by J. Harris, seconded by V. DeMelfi and voted on unanimously, the Board approved listing six (6) sewage pumps and a muffin monster grinder on Muncibid for sale.

Being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 5:15pm.

AMBER KENNEY
Secretary/Office Manager