

A Regular Meeting of the Bloomsburg Municipal Authority Board was held Tuesday, August 11, 2020, beginning at 4:00pm via teleconference through Zoom.

Board Chair Thomas Evans presided. Those present included Board Members, Lawrence Mack, Michael Upton and Vincent DeMelfi; Interim 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. Also present on the teleconference were Chuck Wunz; Attorney Gary Cohen, Hall & Associates; Peggy Miller, Rettew and Eric Ness, Bloomsburg University. Absent was Board Member W. Carey Howell.

CITIZEN TO BE HEARD – ATTORNEY GARY COHEN, HALL & ASSOCIATES AND PEGGY MILLER, RETTEW

Attorney Cohen reviewed a list of items that if completed, could potentially lower the Authority's copper limit. The list includes analytical work, sampling, etc. and the estimated costs to do the work.

P. Miller expressed that this is time sensitive as the required sampling and analysis must be done during a low flow period of the river. This is typically between July and September each year. Being that it is mid-August, she would not want to miss this opportunity. If the Authority waits until this time in 2021, they wouldn't have the data in time for inclusion in to the NPDES Permit renewal which is due September 1, 2021.

APPROVAL OF CONDUCTING DATA COLLECTION FOR POTENTIAL ADJUSTMENT OF COPPER LIMITS

On a motion by M. Upton, seconded by V. DeMelfi and voted on unanimously, the Board approved conducting analysis and data collection of hardness, background concentration, dissolved fraction and conducting a quickie dye test in an amount not to exceed \$10,000.00.

APPROVAL OF JULY 14, 2020 MINUTES

On a motion by M. Upton, seconded by V. DeMelfi and voted on unanimously, the Board approved the July 14, 2020 minutes without any additions or corrections.

APPROVAL OF PAYMENT OF MONTHLY OPERATING AND MAINTENANCE BILLS FOR JULY

On a motion by V. DeMelfi, 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 \$874,299.41.

APPROVAL OF PAYMENT OF MONTHLY SEWER MAINTENANCE BILLS FOR JULY

On a motion by L. Mack, seconded by V. DeMelfi and voted on unanimously, the Board approved payment of the monthly sewer maintenance bills for July in the amount of \$39,454.93.

APPROVAL OF PAYMENT TO GHD, INC.

On a motion by V. DeMelfi, seconded by M. Upton and voted on unanimously, the Board approved payment to GHD, Inc. in the amount of \$46,467.25 for final design, bid and award and construction phase services associated with the WWTP Improvements Project from the Construction account.

APPROVAL OF PAYMENT TO IWDA, LLC

On a motion by M. Upton, seconded by V. DeMelfi and voted on unanimously, the Board approved payment to IWDA, LLC in the amount of \$3,803.75 for concrete inspection services associated with the WWTP Improvements Project from the Construction account.

APPROVAL OF PAYMENT TO LUSCHAS, NAPARSTECK & CRANE, LLP

On a motion by L. Mack, second by M. Upton and voted on unanimously, the Board approved payment to Luschas, Naparsteck & Crane, LLP in the amount of \$168.00 for legal fees associated with the WWTP Improvements Project from the Construction account.

APPROVAL OF PAYMENT NO. 1 TO MASTER MECHANICAL CORP.

On a motion by V. DeMelfi, seconded by M. Upton and voted on unanimously, the Board approved payment No. 1 to Master Mechanical Corp. in the amount of \$2,295.00 for Mechanical Construction Services of the WWTP Improvement Project from the Construction account.

APPROVAL OF PAYMENT NO. 3 TO PERFORMANCE CONSTRUCTION SERVICES, INC.

On a motion by V. DeMelfi, seconded by M. Upton and voted on unanimously, the Board approved payment No. 3 to Performance Construction Services, Inc. in the amount of \$233,932.60 for General Construction Services of the WWTP Improvements Project from the Construction account.

APPROVAL OF PAYMENT TO RETTEW ASSOCIATES, INC.

On a motion by M. Upton, seconded by V. DeMelfi and voted on unanimously, the Board approved payment to Rettew Associates, Inc. in the amount of \$569.70 for professional services associated with the WWTP Improvements Project from the Construction account.

APPROVAL OF PAYMENT TO YRC FREIGHT

On a motion by L. Mack, seconded by V. DeMelfi and voted on unanimously, the Board approved payment to YRC Freight in the amount of 340.72 for shipping charges to deliver oil for the new pumps for the WWTP Improvements Project from the Construction account.

SOUTH CENTRE TOWNSHIP

Solicitor Luschas reported that the Authority approached and offered to treat South Centre Township’s effluent and a tour of the plant was held last week with their engineer. He just learned that at the South Centre Township Supervisor meeting last night, they approved building their own plant. Solicitor Luschas and C. Wunz will continue to pursue the matter.

APPROVAL OF AUTHORIZING RETTEW TO PROVIDE SUPPORT WITH THE SOUTH CENTRE TOWNSHIP NEGOTIATIONS

On a motion by M. Upton, seconded by L. Mack and voted on unanimously, the Board approved authorizing Rettew to provide support with the South Centre Township negotiations on a time and materials basis not to exceed \$5,000.00. S. Siegfried expressed that he has been supporting the ongoing discussions with South Centre Township and has spent numerous hours on conference calls, meetings and the plant tour that total close to \$2,000.00.

APPROVAL OF 2020 BUDGET TRANSFERS

On a motion by V. DeMelfi, seconded by M. Upton and voted on unanimously, the Board approved the following 2020 budget transfers:

		DR	CR	Revised Budget
<u>Administration</u>				
400.5313	Engineering		1,000.00	3,000.00
400.5340	Advertising & Printing		1,000.00	2,000.00
400.5352	Liability Insurance	2,000.00		3,300.00
<u>Wastewater Treatment System</u>				
429.5376	Line Repair & Replacement		350,000.00	450,000.00
429.5650	Construction-Equipment Purch	300,000.00		300,000.00
429.5670	Misc Fee-Construction	50,000.00		60,000.00

APPROVAL OF A SEWER CREDIT FOR BLOOMSBURG FAIR ASSOCIATION

On a motion by M. Upton, seconded by L. Mack and voted on unanimously, the Board approved a sewer credit for the Bloomsburg Fair Association for 72,000 gallons in the amount of \$509.38 for washing down the grandstand on June 18, 2020.

APPROVAL OF A SEWER BILL CREDIT FOR DON CAMPLESE AT DOCKSIDE RV ALONG FORT MCCLURE BLVD.

On a motion by M. Upton, seconded by L. Mack and voted on unanimously, the Board approved a sewer credit for Don Campese in the amount of \$222.07 for the 06/30/20 bill at Dockside RV along Fort McClure Blvd. due to a broken outdoor pipe.

APPROVAL OF A SEWER BILL CREDIT FOR KEITH BARNES AT 640 OLD BERWICK ROAD

On a motion by M. Upton, seconded by L. Mack and voted on unanimously, the Board approved a sewer credit for Keith Barnes in the amount of \$113.92 for the 07/31/20 bill at 640 Old Berwick Road due to a water heater that leaked in his basement.

APPROVAL OF A SEWER BILL CREDIT FOR JEANETTE AND RALPH RICHARDS AT 278 E. SIXTH STREET

On a motion by M. Upton, seconded by L. Mack and voted on unanimously, the Board approved a sewer credit for Jeanette and Ralph Richards in the amount of \$437.90 for the 07/31/20 bill at 278 E. Sixth Street due to a leaking outdoor water spigot.

APPROVAL OF PROPOSAL FROM E. CHARLES WUNZ, P.E. FOR ENGINEERING SERVICES RELATED TO NEGOTIATION OF BULK SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH SOUTH CENTRE TOWNSHIP

On a motion by V. DeMelfi, seconded by M. Upton and voted on unanimously, the Board approved a proposal from E. Charles Wunz, P.E. for engineering services related to negotiation of bulk services agreement with South Centre Township at \$130/hour and not to exceed \$10,000.00.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 5:27pm.

AMBER KENNEY
Secretary/Office Manager