

The Regular Meeting of the Bloomsburg Municipal Authority Board was held Tuesday, September 14, 2021, beginning at 4:00pm in the Conference Room of the Municipal Authority Office, 1000 Market Street, Suite 9, Bloomsburg, PA.

Chair Thomas Evans presided. Those present included Vice-Chair Vincent DeMelfi; Treasurer Michael Upton; Board Members Lawrence Mack and Jared Harris; Assistant Plant Superintendent Mark Tappe; Maintenance/Collection System Supervisor Josh Young; Special Projects Coordinator Ryan Longenberger; Jeff Slabinski and George Myers, 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.

APPROVAL OF AUGUST 10, 2021 MINUTES

On a motion by L. Mack, seconded by J. Harris and voted on unanimously, the Board approved the August 10, 2021 minutes without any additions or corrections.

LEGAL UPDATE

Solicitor Luschas gave an update on the copper limit issue. He had a phone call today regarding the next step which is dye testing and there are few ways of doing it. To do a plume test, the river needs to be at a low level. There is a new computerized electrode process that is more accurate but it would cost \$20,000.00. It was noted by staff that the plant has been testing for copper over the last two-three years and the copper level has never exceeded the limit. On a motion by J. Harris, seconded by L. Mack and voted on unanimously, the Board authorized putting in the letter that will accompany the NPDES permit that a dye test will be conducted but the Board agreed not to spend any more money until additional information is received.

APPROVAL OF PAYMENT OF MONTHLY OPERATING AND MAINTENANCE BILLS FOR AUGUST

On a motion by M. Upton, seconded by L. Mack and voted on unanimously, the Board approved payment of the monthly operating and maintenance bills for August in the amount of \$690,428.40.

APPROVAL OF PAYMENT OF MONTHLY SEWER MAINTENANCE BILLS FOR AUGUST

On a motion by J. Harris, seconded by M. Upton and voted on unanimously, the Board approved payment of the monthly sewer maintenance bills for August in the amount of \$5,460.80.

APPROVAL OF PAYMENT TO GHD, INC.

On a motion by L. Mack, seconded by V. DeMelfi and voted on unanimously, the Board approved payment to GHD, Inc. in the amount of \$2,791.60 for engineering services associated with the WWTP Improvements Project from the Construction account.

APPROVAL OF PAYMENT NO. 8 TO MASTER MECHANICAL CORPORATION

On a motion by J. Harris, seconded by L. Mack and voted on unanimously, the Board approved payment No. 8 to Master Mechanical Corporation in the amount of \$1,080.00 for Mechanical Construction Services of the WWTP Improvements Project from the Construction account.

APPROVAL OF FINAL PAYMENT NO. 9 TO MASTER MECHANICAL CORPORATION

On a motion by J. Harris, seconded by M. Upton and voted on unanimously, the Board approved final payment No. 9 to Master Mechanical Corporation in the amount of \$4,246.65 for General Construction Services of the WWTP Improvements Project from the Construction account.

CITIZEN TO BE HEARD – THOMAS LAWSON, BORTON-LAWSON

Mr. Lawson was available by speaker phone to discuss options for flood protection around the wastewater treatment plant.

APPROVAL OF ADDENDUM #1 FROM RETTEW ASSOCIATES, INC. FOR ENGINEERING SERVICES FOR THE 4TH STREET SEWER REPLACEMENT PROJECT

On a motion by L. Mack, seconded by J. Harris and voted on unanimously, the Board approved Addendum #1 from Rettew Associates, Inc. in the amount of \$8,700.00 for additional work on the 4th Street Sewer Replacement Project.

APPROVAL OF QUOTE FROM MARTZ TECHNOLOGIES, INC.

On a motion by J. Harris, seconded by M. Upton and voted on unanimously, the Board approved a quote from Martz Technologies, Inc. in the amount of \$23,962.00 for additional materials for the grit and headworks OIT screens and alarms associated with the WWTP Improvements Project.

APPROVAL OF 2022 MINIMUM MUNICIPAL OBLIGATION (MMO)

On a motion by J. Harris, seconded by M. Upton and voted on unanimously, the Board approved the 2022 Minimum Municipal Obligation (MMO) for the Municipal Authority Employee Pension Plan in the amount of \$86,224.00.

APPROVAL OF SEWER BILL CREDIT FOR A HOT WATER HEATER LEAK AT 101 WEST STREET

On a motion by L. Mack, seconded by V. DeMelfi and voted on unanimously, the Board approved a sewer credit for John Venturi in the amount of \$390.68 for his 07/31/21 bill due to a hot water heater leaking at 101 West Street.

APPROVAL OF SEWER BILL CREDIT FOR SPRINKLER USE AT 362 E. SECOND STREET

On a motion by V. DeMelfi, seconded by J. Harris and voted on unanimously, the Board approved a sewer credit for Jared Gardner in the amount of \$137.10 for his 07/31/21 bill and \$199.11 for his 08/31/21 bill due to sprinkler use at 362 E. Second Street.

On a motion by M. Upton, seconded by J. Harris and voted on unanimously, the meeting adjourned at 5:23pm.

AMBER KENNEY
Secretary/Office Manager