

Northampton, Bucks County, Municipal Authority

Minutes of the Public Meeting held on January 4, 2017

Members Attending: Edward Farling III, Chairman
Vincent Deon, Vice Chairman
John T. Jim, Secretary
Charles Rehm, Assistant Secretary-Treasurer
Stephen Mc Gill, Treasurer

Others Attending: Thomas A. Zeuner, Executive Director
Edward Rudolph, Esquire, Solicitor
Melissa Fiala, Esquire, Solicitor - absent
Christopher Walker P.E., Pennoni Assoc.
Frank O'Donnell, Supervisor Liaison
Debra Wirtz, Executive Assistant

Mr. Farling, Chairman, called the meeting to order at 7:33 p.m.

1. Pledge of Allegiance

Chairman Farling led the Pledge of Allegiance and requested a moment of silence for our service men and women in harm's way.

2. Executive Director's Report

Mr. Zeuner reviewed the items on the agenda and stated that there would be one supplemental item regarding authorization to go to bid for a multiyear contract for grouting. There will be a second Board meeting in January in order to present the results of our recent audit.

3. Re-Organization of the Board

A motion (Deon-Rehm) made to nominated Edward Farling III to serve as The Authority's temporary Chairman for the re-organization of the Board passed with 5 ayes.

A motion (Deon-Mc Gill) made to close nominations for temporary Chair passed with 5 ayes.

A motion (Deon-Rehm) made that Edward Farling III serve as Chairman, Vincent Deon serve as Vice Chairman, Stephen Mc Gill serve as Treasurer, John T. Jim serve as Secretary and Charles Rehm serve as Assistant Secretary Treasurer for the Board for the calendar year 2017, passed with 5 ayes.

A motion (Farling-Deon) to appoint the firm Rudolph, Clarke LLC of Trevoise PA as the Authority Solicitor for 2017 passed with 5 ayes.

A motion (Rehm-Jim) to appoint Christopher Walker, P.E., of the firm Pennoni Associates Inc. of Warrington PA as the Authority's Consulting Engineer for 2017 passed with 5 ayes.

A motion (Mc Gill-Jim) to appoint Manko, Gold, Katcher and Fox LLP of Bala Cynwyd PA as the Authority's Environmental Special Counsel for 2017 passed with 5 ayes.

A motion (Farling-Mc Gill) to appoint Neil A. Morris, Esquire of Offit Kurman of Philadelphia PA as the Authority's labor counsel for 2017 passed with 5 ayes.

A motion (Mc Gill-Jim) to appoint Eckert Seamans, Cherin and Mellot LLC of Harrisburg PA as Bond Counsel for 2017 passed with 5 ayes.

A motion (Farling-Rehm) to appoint the Board Members of Northampton, Bucks County, Municipal Authority as Trustees for the administration employees' pension plan with Principal Financial Group for 2017 passed with 5 ayes.

A motion (Mc Gill-Deon) to appoint the Board Members of Northampton, Bucks County, Municipal Authority as Trustees for the AIG/VALIC deferred pension plan for 2017 passed with 5 ayes.

A motion (Mc Gill-Rehm) to appoint The Brokers Network as the Authority's Healthcare Insurance Brokers of Record for 2017 passed with 5 ayes.

A motion (Rehm-Jim) to appoint W. Bruce Beaton Co. Inc. as the Authority's Liability Insurance Brokers of Record for 2017 passed with 5 ayes.

A motion (Farling-Rehm) to appoint Public Financial Management (PFM) of Harrisburg PA as the Authority's Financial Consultant for 2017 passed with 5 ayes.

A motion (Mc Gill-Rehm) to appoint Herbert, Rowland and Grubic Inc. of Harrisburg PA as Consultant for Special Projects for 2017 passed with 5 ayes.

A motion (Farling-Jim) to appoint Thomas A. Zeuner as the Authority's Executive Director for 2017 passed with 5 ayes.

4. Citizens' Concerns

Mr. Joe Cairo 180 Laurel Road, Churchville addressed the Board regarding his upcoming water bill which will reflect a leak at his property. Mr. Cairo asked the Board to reduce his bill. The Board agreed to discuss after the meeting and contract Mr. Cairo with their decision.

5. Approval of the Minutes of December 7, 2016

A motion (Jim-Mc Gill) made to approve the Minutes of December 7, 2016 passed with 5 ayes.

6. Check Requisitions / Accounts Payable

A motion (Rehm-Jim) adopting a resolution to approve **Revenue Fund Requisition No. 2100** dated December 20, 2016 in the amount of \$547,006.86 passed with 5 ayes.

The major items paid under **Requisition No. 2100** are as follows: BCWSA - \$2,300.00; BCWSA - Sewer - \$257,962.32; Brinker Simpson - \$7,500.00; Delaware Valley Truck - \$1,326.60; Independence Blue Cross - \$10,416.13; Karl Hops Inc. - \$3,712.55; Kraft Power Corp. - \$1,848.84; Line Systems Inc. - \$1,117.23; LookFirst Tech. - \$10,266.70; Maxsolar Energy LLC - \$1,677.79; PMAA - \$2,500.00; PECO - \$2,431.02; Pennoni Assoc. - \$63,265.22; RIO Supply Inc. - \$10,328.64; Upper Southampton MUA - \$54,627.00; BCWSA disputed \$40,504.03 and a \$70,000.00 transfer for payroll.

A motion (Rehm-Jim) adopting a resolution to approve **Revenue Fund Requisition No. 2101** dated January 4, 2017 in the amount of \$593,563.85 passed with 5 ayes.

The major items paid under **Requisition No. 2101** are as follows: BC Group - \$8,583.18; BCWSA – Sewer - \$249,829.44; BCWSA - Water - \$175,639.52; Guardian - \$3,917.54; PECO - \$12,748.48; Penn’s Court HO - \$3,172.33; Rudolph Clarke LLC - \$25,190.25; BCWSA disputed - \$39,227.86 and a \$70,000.00 transfer for payroll.

7. Resolution 2017-1179 Signature Cards M & T Bank (Wilmington Trust)

A motion (Farling-Rehm) made to adopt Resolution 2017-1179 to approve and execute new signature cards for M & T Bank for Authority accounts passed with 5 ayes.

8. Resolution 2017-1180 Signature Cards Uninvest Bank

A motion (Mc Gill-Jim) made to adopt Resolution 2017-1180 to approve and execute new signature cards for Uninvest Bank for Authority accounts passed with 5 ayes.

9. Award Contract No. 2-W-16-G Sodium Hypochlorite Conversion (General)

A motion (Mc Gill-Deon) to award the General Contract No. 2-W-16-G Sodium Hypochlorite Conversion Project to the lowest responsible and responsive bidder: G. S. Developers Inc. of Doylestown PA in the amount of \$228,994.00 which includes the total Base Bid (items 100, 201-217) passed with 5 ayes.

10. Award Contract No. 2-W-16-E Sodium Hypochlorite Conversion (Electrical)

A motion (Farling-Deon) to award the General Contract No. 2-W-16-E Sodium Hypochlorite Conversion Project to the lowest responsible and responsive bidder: B & R Electrical Contractors Inc. of York PA in the amount of \$53,376.00 which includes the total Base Bid (items 100, 201-217) passed with 5 ayes.

**11. Authorization to prepare bid package and advertise for bids:
Sanitary Sewer Grouting Contract**

A motion (Deon-Mc Gill) made to authorize Pennoni Associates to prepare and advertise a bid package for a 1, 2 or 3 year contract for sewer grouting passed with 5 ayes.

COMMENTS

Mr. Rehm stated he is glad to be reappointed by the Supervisors

Mr. Zeuner thanked the Board for reappointment

Mr. Rudolph thanked the Board for reappointment

Mr. Walker thanked the Board for reappointment and stated that the TCE Railroad Water Project – all mains are in and bacteria testing has begun and then connection can begin.

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS TO DISCUSS, MR. FARLING ADJOURNED THE MEETING AT 8:25 P.M.