

Northampton, Bucks County, Municipal Authority

Minutes of the Public Meeting held on October 07, 2015

Members Attending: Edward Farling III, Chairman
Vincent Deon, Vice Chairman
Michelle Held, Treasurer - absent
John T. Jim, Secretary
Charles Rehm, Assistant Secretary-Treasurer

Others Attending: Thomas A. Zeuner, Executive Director
Edward Rudolph, Esquire, Solicitor
Melissa Fiala, Esquire, Solicitor
Christopher Walker P.E., Pennoni Assoc.
Eileen Silver, Supervisor Liaison
Debra Wirtz, Executive Assistant

Mr. Farling, Chairman, called the meeting to order at 7:30 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 the Teamsters Local 107 3 year contract end December 31, 2015 and they would like to begin negotiations. At the November meeting Mr. Zeuner will present the 2016 Operational and Capital Budget for the Board.

3. Holland Middle School Development

Chairman Farling stated that representatives from Council Rock School District came before the Authority Board on September 2, 2015 public meeting to reconsider the EDUs required for the expanded Holland Middle School. The Board directed its staff and professionals to review the calculations, based upon Authority Rates, Rules and Regulations and relevant case law, and advise the Board related to the School District's request. The staff and professionals have advised that the Authority is correct in its EDU calculations according to its Rates, Rules and Regulations and appropriate under Pennsylvania law. Mr. Farling suggested that since the Richboro Middle School may be vacated with its operations transferred to the Holland Middle School, perhaps the EDUs could be transferred in such event to the Holland Middle School. Such transfer would leave the Richboro Middle School property with little to no sewer capacity but it may be an acceptable response to the request from the School District. The merits of the proposal were discussed between the Board members, Executive Director, and professionals. Solicitor Fiala was directed to contact the solicitor for the School District regarding the suggested proposal by the Chairman. It was noted that numerous issues and questions would need to be satisfied if the School District had interest in exploring the proposal.

3. Citizens' Concerns

No citizens wished to address the Board.

4. Approval of the Minutes of September 16, 2015

A motion (Jim-Deon) made to approve the Minutes of September 16, 2015 passed with 4 ayes.

5. Check Requisitions / Accounts Payable

A motion (Rehm-Farling) adopting a resolution to approve **Revenue Fund Requisition No. 2065** dated September 30, 2015 in the amount of \$681,390.78 passed with 4 ayes.

The major items paid under **Requisition No. 2065** are as follows: BCWSA -Sewer \$266,080.16; BCWSA - Water - \$179,292.80; Dennis Lu Hong - \$2,543.00; Golden Equip. – 1,612.07; Guardian - \$3,309.72; Karl Hops Inc. - \$2,447.89; Line Systems Inc. - \$1,054.20; Link Computer Corp. - \$3,280.00; PECO - \$12,700.38; Pennoni Assoc. - \$81,044.29; Phillips & Donovan Architects - \$4,642.00; Shapiro Fire Protection - \$1,167.70 Univar USA Inc. - \$1,174.50; Xylem Water Solution - \$2,617.20 and a \$70,000.00 transfer for payroll and \$41,767.84 transfer for BCWSA disputed.

A motion (Rehm-Jim) adopting a resolution to approve **Revenue Fund Requisition No. 2066** dated October 07, 2015 in the amount of \$163,230.98 passed with 4 ayes.

The major items paid under **Requisition No. 2066** are as follows: Aqua Pro \$1,129.25; Ellen Distefano - \$3000.00; Eurofins QC - \$5,472.50; Northampton Township – 3,876.25; PECO - \$3,071.55; Rudolph Clarke - \$27,398.53; Sudeep Shetty - \$1,670.53; TD Card Services - \$1,454.60 Teamsters Health and Welfare - \$16,829.76; Verizon - \$1,308.79 Warminster Municipal Authority and a \$70,000.00 transfer for payroll.

6. Contract 1-A-15 Heavy Duty Twin Post Vehicle Lift

Mr. Zeuner provided an update on the quotes. Due to the significant variance in cost between budget, quoted price, and the possibility of consolidating buildings in the future Mr. Zeuner recommended that the bid be rejected. A motion (Deon-Rehm) made that the bid be for Contract #1-A-15 (Heavy Duty Twin Post Vehicle Lift) be rejected passed with 4 ayes.

7. Presentation: Ebert Engineering

Fred Ebert of Ebert Engineering gave a presentation regarding the Upper Southampton Basin

8. Presentation: Pennoni Associates

Christopher Walker - Pennoni Assoc. gave a update on the Woods Pump Station and Splitter Chamber

9. Video Presentation – Executive Director, Thomas A. Zeuner

Mr. Zeuner provided two videos regarding Vac Excavation and LMK Cleanouts

Mr. Zeuner advised the Board that there is a water main leak on Bustleton Pike at Herzog's corner that will be addressed in November, possibly at night to avoid traffic.

BOARD COMMENTS

Mr. Rehm stated that fixing the leak at Bustleton will difficult with traffic.

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS TO DISCUSS, MR. FARLING ADJOURNED THE MEETING AT 9:53P.M.