

Northampton, Bucks County, Municipal Authority

**Minutes of the Public Meeting held on May 1, 2019**

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

Others: Thomas A. Zeuner, Executive Director  
Edward Rudolph, Esquire, Solicitor  
Christopher Walker P.E., Pennoni Assoc.  
Frank O'Donnell, Northampton 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, lead the Pledge of Allegiance and requested a moment of silence for men and women serving in harm's way.

**2. Citizens' Concerns**

Raymond Robbins, W Pickering Bend, had comments regarding his register change on his meter and his attempts at getting issues resolved regarding water consumption at his property.

Denise Leck, Galloway Road, had questions and concerns regarding the Authority's budget, website, billing.

Ben Welwood, Twining Ford Road, had questions regarding the sewer moratorium.

Deborah Kiernicki, Atkinson Place and Wood Drive had comments regarding billing base charges, monthly billing, sewer charges, and chlorine smell at her home, wet ground near her property.

Richard Menna, Linden Road, had comments regarding a survey to have public water on his street and Holly Knoll Drive.

A motion (Deon-McGill) made to have Pennoni Assoc. Inc. conduct a survey and cost estimate for extension of the water system on Linden Road and Holly Knoll Drive, for presentation at the July Board meeting, passed with 5 ayes.

Denise Leck, Galloway Road, had comments and questions regarding the budget, our name, and staff.

**3. Executive Director's Report**

Mr. Zeuner provided a review of the Agenda

**4. Approval of the Minutes of April 3, 2019**

A motion (Deon-Rehm) made to approve the Minutes of April 3, 2019 passed with 4 ayes Mr. McGill abstained.

## 5. Check Requisitions / Accounts Payable

A motion (Rehm-Farling) approving the following Requisition/s passed 4 with ayes, Mr. Jim abstained.

**Requisition No. 2171** dated 04/17/19 in the amount of \$212,809.77

The major items paid under **Requisition No. 2171** are as follows: Bergey Creative Group - \$1,218.00; Coyne Chemical - \$1,786.80; CSL Services Inc. - \$6,925.00; Cues - \$1,928.55; Ebert Engineering Inc. - \$3,701.34; Foxman - \$1,362.00; Gannett Fleming Co. - \$1,900.00; Herbert Rowland & Grubic - \$6,056.00; Independence Blue Cross - \$10,392.10; JH Shanahan - \$5,953.00; Karl Hops Inc. - \$1,300.73; Link Computer Corp. - \$3,620.51; Office Basics - \$1,036.45; PECO - \$12,742.60; Pennoni Assoc. Inc. - \$27,214.82; Rudolph Clarke LLC - \$24,002.50; Sean Connolly - \$1,975.00; Teamster Health & Welfare Fund - \$17,677.55; and \$75,000.00 for payroll.

**Requisition No. 2172** dated 05/01/19 in the amount of \$1,281,837.64

The major items paid under **Requisition No. 2172** are as follows: BCWSA – Sewer - \$965,636.27; BCWSA – Water - \$154,397.43; First National Bank of Newtown - \$59,129.38; Guardian - \$3,796.69; Hannon Auto Service - \$1,367.01; Herbert Rowland & Grubic - \$1,663.00; JH Shanahan - \$4,459.00; M.J. Reider Assoc. - \$1,226.00; Office Basics - \$2,991.05; PMAA UC Fund - \$3,870.23; TD Card Services - \$3,870.23; and \$75,000.00 for payroll.

## 6. Solicitor's Report

A motion (McGill-Jim) made that the Northampton, Bucks County, Municipal Authority Board, by its authorized officers, hereby ratify and execute the Settlement and Mutual Release Agreement in the matter of *William Schenk & Sons, et al v. Northampton, Bucks County, Municipal Authority* captioned at Civil Action No. 2011-00550 in the Court of Common Pleas of Bucks County, Pennsylvania (“Agreement”) and further, as the parties have agreed to confidentiality in the aforementioned matter, that the terms of the Agreement shall not be disclosed except as provided for by the terms of the Agreement passed with 5 ayes.

## 7. Tri-Party Agreement – Upper Southampton Municipal Authority Public Water and Sanitary Sewer

A motion (McGill-Deon) made to enter into a Tri-Party Agreement with the Upper Southampton Municipal Authority and the owners of TMP 31-015-050 also known as 1681 Bristol Road for connection to the Upper Southampton Authority’s public water and public sanitary sewer systems in accordance with the Agreement and the payments to NBCMA in the amount of \$750.00 for Agreement preparation and \$200.00 for recording fees at the Bucks County Court passed with 5 ayes.

## 8. Water and Sewer Agreement – Kosacci Land Development

A motion (Jim-McGill) made to approve the Public Water and Sanitary Sewer Improvement Agreement, for the land development identified as Kosacci Land Development, TMP 31-026-056-002, subject to the Northampton, Bucks County, Municipal Authority being named in an insurance certification, and a pre con meeting being held with outstanding issues addressed to the satisfaction of the Authority Engineer and Executive Director passed with 5 ayes.

**COMMENTS:**

Christopher Walker Pennoni Assoc. Inc. requested a change order on Contract 2-S-18 C.I.P.P. pipe lining project. There is a section on Kelinger Road (296 feet) directly adjacent to the area being worked on this week, that needs to be lined at a cost of approximately \$11,000.00.

A motion (Deon-McGill) made to authorize the Executive Director to make a change order on Contract 2-S-18 C.I.P.P. not to exceed \$13,000.00 for lining on Kelinger Road passed with 5 ayes.

Chairman Farling thanked everyone that participated in the "Tour of Honor" this past week.

There being no further business to discuss, Mr. Farling adjourned the Board Meeting at 8:50 p.m.