

Northampton, Bucks County, Municipal Authority

Minutes of the Public Meeting held on March 15, 2023

Board Members: Vincent J. Deon, Chairman
Stephen McGill, Vice Chairman
Francis O'Donnell, Secretary
Charles Rehm, Treasurer
Edward Farling III, Assistant Secretary-Treasurer

Others: Edward Rudolph, Esq., Rudolph Clarke LLC
Christopher Walker P.E., Pennoni Assoc.
Jeffrey Greenwood, Chief of Operations
Laurie Hagey, Director of Finance & Administration
Robert Tagert, Chief Technical Director
NBCMA Stenographer

Mr. Deon, Chairman, called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

1. Pledge of Allegiance

Chairman Deon lead the Pledge of Allegiance and requested a moment of silence for our men and women serving in harm's way.

2. Approval of the Minutes of March 1, 2023

A motion (O'Donnell-Rehm) to approve the Minutes of March 1, 2023 passed with 5 ayes.

3. Public Comment

None

4. Chief of Operations Report

Mr. Greenwood commented on the EPA's press release of 3/14/2023 regarding PFOA & PFOS new limits which are lower than Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection limits and how this will affect Northampton, Bucks County, Municipal Authority wells.

Mr. Greenwood provided an update on a seminar that he and Mr. Tagert attended at the Southeastern Regional Department of Environmental Protection Office regarding the new lead and copper regulations.

5. Check Requisitions / Accounts Payable

None

6. Change Order – Insituform C.I.P.P. Contract 2-S-21

A motion (McGill-O'Donnell) made to approve Change Order No. 2 (attached) Contract 2-S-21 with Insituform C.I.P.P. lining for an estimated cost of \$270,915.00 passed with 5 ayes.

7. Langhorne Gun Club

A motion (McGill-O'Donnell) made to permit connection to the sanitary sewer system on the existing TMP 31-035-048-001(251 Stoney Ford Road) subject to demolition of the existing residential building passed with 5 ayes.

8. Land Development Agreement 232 Investments – Dunkin Donuts

Item tabled to April.

9. Certificate for Payment #3 Final – Contract 1-W-21 Hulton Contracting Inc.

A motion (McGill-Deon) made to made to approve payment #3 (Final) in the amount of \$23,449.50 to Hulton Contracting Inc. for Contract 1-W-21 passed with 5 ayes.

10. Change Order #2 Contract 2-A-21 Hirschberg Mechanical

A motion (O'Donnell-Farling) made to approve the above noted Change Order #2 Contract 2-A-21 with Hirschberg Mechanical (attached) for a total of \$3,440.72 passed with 5 ayes.

11. Certificate for Payment #2 Contract 2-A-21 – Hirschberg Mechanical – HVAC Admin

A motion (McGill-Rehm) made to made to approve final payment in the amount of \$3,708.28 to Hirschberg Mechanical Sons Inc. for Contract #2-A-21 passed with 5 ayes.

12. Change Order #2 Contract 2-W-21-E – Admin Building Generator

Item tabled to April.

13. Award Contract – Annual Lawn Maintenance Contract #1-A-23

A motion (McGill-Rehm) made to made to award the Annual Lawn Maintenance Contract NO. 1-A-23 to the low bidder, M& M Lawncare East of Churchville, PA, in the amount of \$36,510.00 in accordance with their proposal dated March 8, 2023 passed with 5 ayes.

14. Acceptance of Dedication Maintenance – Advent Church Development

A motion (O'Donnell-Rehm) made to made to accept dedication from Green Tree Group Contracting LLC (Advent Evangelical Lutheran Church) for the public water facilities valued at \$9,680.00 and public sewer facilities valued at \$20,790.00 and further move releasing all Letters of Credit previously posted for this land development. This approval is subject to the developer providing resolution on all outstanding issues by September 16, 2024, to the satisfaction of the Authority Engineer and Solicitor passed with 5 ayes.

15. Advent Church Development – Letter of Credit Reduction

A motion (Deon-McGill) made to made to authorize the following reductions in the Letter of Credit with Independent Mortgage Company for the Advent Church Development; LOC#2881B in the amount of \$7,655.00 in accordance with the Pennoni Assoc. Inc. review letter of March 8, 2023 passed with 5 ayes.

COMMENTS:

Steve McGill – commented on the EPA press release regarding PFOA & PFOS, hydrothermal carbonization as a viable option for sewage treatment. There was a discussion among the Board about the plant in Phoenixville and a visit to the plant when it is completed.

Charles Rehm suggested that this should be on the agenda at the next Pennsylvania Municipal Authority Association meeting.

There being no further business to discuss, Mr. Deon adjourned the Board Meeting at 7:20 p.m.