

BERWICK AREA JOINT SEWER AUTHORITY
REGULAR MEETING
DECEMBER 12, 2012
ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE
1108 FREAS AVENUE
BERWICK, PA 18603

The monthly scheduled and advertised meeting of the Berwick Area Joint Sewer Authority (BAJSA) was called to order by Chairman William Fairchild at 6:00 pm. The pledge of allegiance to the flag was presented.

Roll call was taken and members in attendance were as follows: Vice Chairman Jimmy Morris, Secretary Louis Biacchi, Treasurer Nelson Learn, Asst. Secretary William Fairchild, Asst. Secretary W. Bruce Michael, Assistant Treasurer Gary Pinterich, 2nd Asst. Treasurer Joseph Siecko. Pres Pro Tem George Welliver was absent.

Also in attendance were: Authority Manager Gloria Bobersky, Engineer Dennis Peters, and Solicitor Anthony McDonald. Present from the public were Allan Fish and Rich Banks from the BAJSA Treatment Plant, George Fanty, Brent Custer of Salem Township and Bill Kotansky.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion made by W. Bruce Michael to approve the meeting minutes of November 14, 2012. 2nd by Jimmy Morris. All in favor and the motion passed unanimously.

Motion made by W. Bruce Michael to approve the meeting minutes of November 27, 2012. 2nd by Jimmy Morris. All in favor and the motion passed unanimously.

PAYMENT OF BILLS

Motion made by Jimmy Morris to approve the payment of bills in the amount of \$363,921.36. 2nd by Gary Pinterich. Roll call vote was taken and was as follows:

N. Learn	-	Yes
B. Michael	-	Yes
G. Pinterich	-	Yes
J. Siecko	-	Yes
L. Biacchi	-	Yes
J. Morris	-	Yes

All in favor and the motion passed unanimously.

REPORTS
MANAGER

Motion made by W. Bruce Michael to accept and adopt the 2013 budget. 2nd by Nelson Learn. All in favor and the motion passed unanimously.

Motion made by W. Bruce Michael to donate the flapper valve off the Oak Street interceptor for them to install on the storm water line in Park Place Village to Borough of Berwick. 2nd by Gary Pinterich. All in favor and the motion passed unanimously.

Motion made by Gary Pinterich to approve the health insurance change from Capital Blue Cross to Geisinger for all active BAJSA employees. 2nd by W. Bruce Michael. All in favor and the motion passed unanimously.

ENGINEER – PETERS CONSULTANTS

Engineer Dennis Peters reviewed the status of projects listed on the agenda.

ENGINEER – HRG

Engineer Erin Threet reviewed the status of the Grit Upgrade project at the WWTP.

SOLICITOR

Solicitor Anthony McDonald reviewed the status of the lawsuit against Doli Construction.

OLD BUSINESS

Motion made by W. Bruce Michael to send the lighting upgrade for the treatment plant out for bid. 2nd by Nelson Learn. All in favor and the motion passed unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

Motion made by W. Bruce Michael to approve Pay Application #13 to James T. O'Hara in the amount of \$700.00. 2nd by Gary Pinterich. All in favor and the motion passed unanimously.

Motion made by Jimmy Morris to approve Pay Application #3 to Anrich in the amount of \$107,856.00. 2nd by W. Bruce Michael. All in favor and the motion passed unanimously.

Motion made by Gary Pinterich to approve Resolution #9 of 2012 to refinance the 2008 bond. 2nd by W. Bruce Michael. All in favor, with the exception of Jimmy Morris, and the motion passed unanimously.

Motion made by Jimmy Morris to authorize Authority Manager Gloria Bobersky and Solicitor Tony McDonald to draw up a written agreement for Salem Township resident Brent Custer's payment arrangement of \$480.00 per month, beginning January 10, 2013, in addition to a one-time payment of \$6,800.00 by March 15, 2013. After that time in December 2013, if Mr. Custer has kept up with his agreement, the BAJSA board will consider dropping interest and penalties that have acquired on his sewer account. 2nd by Gary Pinterich. All in favor and the motion passed unanimously.

Motion made by W. Bruce Michael to lower the Briar Creek Borough rate to \$36.00 monthly, with the exception of Ruckle Hill Road. 2nd by Jimmy Morris. All in favor and the motion passed unanimously.

Motion made by W. Bruce Michael to adopt Resolution #10 of 2012 to lower rate for Briar Creek Borough. 2nd by Nelson Learn. All in favor and the motion passed unanimously.

Motion made by Jimmy Morris to move meeting into executive session. 2nd by W. Bruce Michael. All in favor and the motion passed unanimously.

Motion made by Jimmy Morris to move meeting back into regular session. 2nd by Louis Biacchi. All in favor and the motion passed unanimously.

Motion made by W. Bruce Michael approve that Authority Manager Gloria Bobersky, Pre Treatment Officer Janel Yorks and Assistant Supervisor Richard Banks employee contracts all be consistent in the two fields of being able to be paid out for one week of vacation per year and longevity pay at \$50.00 per year effective immediately. 2nd by Nelson Learn. All in favor and the motion passed unanimously.

Motion made by W. Bruce Michael approve that Don Mensinger and Allan Fish's employee contracts also be consistent in the two fields of being able to be paid out for one week of vacation per year and longevity pay at \$50.00 per year effective immediately. 2nd by Louis Biacchi. All in favor and the motion passed unanimously.

Motion made by W. Bruce Michael that once the above noted Administrative employee contract changes have been made and signed, they will go into effect immediately, prior to the next regular scheduled meeting. 2nd by Louis Biacchi. All in favor and the motion passed unanimously.

Motion made by W. Bruce Michael to notify James T. O'Hara they have ten days to make light of the outstanding conditions of the contract or the bonding company will then be notified. 2nd by Nelson Learn. All in favor and the motion passed unanimously.

Motion made by Louis Biacchi to approve the 2012 audit with Brewer and Company, not to exceed \$19,375.00. 2nd by Gary Pinterich. All in favor and the motion passed unanimously.

ADJOURN

Motion made by Jimmy Morris to adjourn. 2nd by Louis Biacchi. All in favor and the motion passed unanimously.

The next regularly scheduled BAJSA meeting will be held on Wednesday, January 9, 2013 at 6:00 pm.