

BERWICK AREA JOINT SEWER AUTHORITY
REGULAR MEETING
AUGUST 14, 2013
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 Jimmy Morris at 6:00 pm. The pledge of allegiance to the flag was presented.

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

Also in attendance were: Authority Manager Gloria Bobersky, Engineers Dennis Peters, Solicitor Anthony McDonald and HRG Engineer Erin Threet and Joshua Sattesa. Allan Fish and Richard Banks were present from the WWTP and George Fantry from Park Place Village.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion made by Louis Biacchi to approve the meeting minutes of July 10, 2013. 2nd by George Welliver. All in favor and the motion passed unanimously.

PAYMENT OF BILLS

Motion made by George Welliver to approve the payment of bills in the amount of \$530,999.06. 2nd by Louis Biacchi. Roll call vote was taken and was as follows:

N. Learn	-	Yes
G. Pinterich	-	Yes
W. Fairchild	-	Yes
L. Biacchi	-	Yes
J. Siecko	-	Yes
G. Welliver	-	Yes
J. Morris	-	Yes

All in favor and the motion passed unanimously.

REPORTS

SOLICITOR

Solicitor Anthony McDonald discussed the handling of sewer accounts that hold large balances. The board would like to come up with a plan regarding penalizing Salem Township residents who have not paid their tappage fee to date.

AUTHORITY MANAGER

Authority Manager Gloria Bobersky discussed a lease/purchase program for new vehicles for the BAJSA.

ENGINEER – PETERS CONSULTANTS

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

ENGINEER – HRG

Erin Threet introduced Joshua Sattesa from HRG who will take care of Erin's responsibilities with the BAJSA while she is on maternity leave.

Erin Threet reviewed the status of the Grit Upgrade project, which is tentatively scheduled for substantial completion on August 27, 2013 for startup.

The bid for the Sludge Conveyor Replacement project is scheduled to go out for bid in January of 2014.

OLD BUSINESS

Motion made by Louis Biacchi to approve easement agreement from the Borough of Berwick for the installation of two water meters. 2nd by George Welliver. All in favor and the motion passed unanimously.

Motion made by Louis Biacchi the proposal for 84 test holes for the Mercer Street project, contingent upon the Borough of Berwick authorizing the closing of intersections. 2nd by George Welliver. All in favor, with the exception of William Fairchild, and the motion passed.

Motion made by Louis Biacchi to approve that Douthat Construction complete the Verizon duct bank project in the amount of \$1,195.00. 2nd by Nelson Learn. All in favor and the motion passed.

NEW BUSINESS

Motion made by George Welliver to approve Pay Application #10 to Anrich in the amount of \$101,727.95. 2nd by Louis Biacchi. All in favor and the motion passed unanimously.

Motion made by Louis Biacchi to approve the proposal from Brewer & Company for the H2O grant money in the amount of \$3,750.00. 2nd by George Welliver. All in favor and the motion passed unanimously.

Motion made by Louis Biacchi to move into executive session. 2nd by Nelson Learn. All in favor and the motion passed unanimously.

Motion made by Louis Biacchi to move back to regular session. 2nd by Nelson Learn. All in favor and the motion passed unanimously.

Motion made by George Welliver to approve a one-time removal of interest and penalties for Mifflinville resident Gary Moore, and accept the payment of \$4,200.00 for Mr. Moore's account to be paid in full through September 30, 2013. 2nd by Gary Pinterich. All in favor and the motion passed unanimously.

ADJOURN

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

The next regularly scheduled BAJSA meeting will be held on Wednesday, September 11, 2013 at 6:00 pm.