

MOUNT PENN BOROUGH MUNICIPAL AUTHORITY

MINUTES

REGULAR MEETING

APRIL 12, 2023

The regular meeting of the Mount Penn Borough Municipal Authority was held on Wednesday, April 12, 2023 at 7:00 p.m. in the meeting room of the John A. Becker Municipal Building, 200 North 25th Street, Reading, PA 19606.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Thomas Staron. The following Board members were present:

Joseph Boyle
Alfred Worrall, Treasurer
Kelly Dudash, Assistant Treasurer
Josh Nowotarski, Secretary- arrived later

Also present were the following:

Christeena Hauck, Office Manager
Steve Riley, Entech Engineering
Mark Merolla, Solicitor

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION- None.

Joe Boyle motioned, seconded by Kelly Dudash to approve the minutes of the March 8, 2023 meeting, as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

Joe Boyle motioned, seconded by Al Worrall to approve the minutes of the March 23, 2023 Special meeting as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

TREASURER- Alfred Worrall

The bills for the month of March were reviewed. Following discussion, motioned by Al Worrall, seconded by Joe Boyle to approve the March Treasurer's Report. The motion carried unanimously.

After discussion, Joe Boyle made the motion to execute the Freepoint Electric Generation contract for a 3 year term beginning January 1, 2024, seconded by Al Worrall. The motion carried unanimously.

Matt Hauck will order 300 meters for Rich Genova to continue the replacement program.

ENGINEER- Steven Riley

Approval of Change Order # 4 and Application for Payment # 5 in the amount of \$ 4,859.30 to LB Construction for Hilbert Court. Motioned by Joe Boyle, seconded by Kelly Dudash.^[SER1] Motion carried unanimously.

Motioned by Joe Boyle, seconded by Al Worrall to authorize the execution of the LSA SCADA grant agreement, in the amount of \$207,100, upon solicitor review, seconded by Al Worrall. The motion carried unanimously.

Spook Lane Tank Creek repair drainage pipe was installed by Barasso Excavation. The project went very well. Application for payment and change order will be presented at the next Authority meeting.

Resolution # 03-23 for the application of ARPA H2O PA Water Supply, Sanitary Sewer and Storm Water Project and execution of documents. This was to correct the dollar amount in the previously approved Resolution 05-2022. Motioned by Kelly Dudash, seconded by Joe Boyle. The motion carried.

Continuing the permitting process on the Spook Lane Tank. Waiting to hear from Lower Alsace to request relief from Land Development. Need to have the Chairman sign the bog turtle clearance form. The PNDI (Pennsylvania Natural Diversity inventory) and PHMC (Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission) searches have been cleared. Working on the grading plan and preparing for a pre-application meeting with PADEP Dams and Waterways.

AM Lynch will begin the generator project in May. An extension was submitted for the grant funds.

The Emerald Ave main replacement project went out for bid. Bids are due in May 8th.

Well 13 is scheduled for rehab in June.

Steve Riley reported he attended a meeting with PennDOT regarding the Perkiomen Ave project. Documentation for a final bill was requested from PennDOT.

Antietam Rd will be closed for three months June 2023 through September 2023 to complete the bridge construction project.

WATER SYSTEM –Matthew Hauck

COMPLETE MAINTENANCE REPORT ATTACHED

SOLICITOR- Mark Merolla

No Report.

BUSINESS OFFICE- Christeena Hauck

Interviews for the Customer Support Specialist position will be held Tuesday April 18th. Christeena will reserve the meeting room and schedule the interviews.

After discussion, Joe Boyle made the motion to approve the Lynx Support 360 email upgrade and the one-time fee of \$1,190.00 seconded by Josh Nowotarski. The motion carried.

SOURCE WATER PROTECTION-

Joe Boyle reported he requested an extension of the County ARP grant funds until December of 2024.

Submitting for Schuylkill Highlands Grant for \$15,000.00 Riparian Buffer work around Carsonia lake.

Growing Greener Grant will be submitted in June.

BOROUGH OF MT. PENN-

No Report.

ANTIETAM VALLEY MUNICIPAL AUTHORITY (AVMA)-

No Report.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS-

After discussion, it was determined Matt Hauck will review the landscape maintenance requirements with the two interested individuals.

NEW BUSINESS-

Tom Staron called for an Executive Session at 8:11 p.m. to discuss personnel. Regular Session resumed at 8:30 p.m. Motioned by Josh Nowotarski, seconded by Kelly Dudash to approve the conditional offer of employment to Sebastian Unger conditioned upon him passing the background check and drug screen starting rate of \$23.50 per hour.

Motion was made by Josh Nowotarski, seconded by Kelly Dudash, to adjourn the meeting at 8:31 p.m. The next meeting will be held on Wednesday, May 10, 2023 at 7:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Christeena Hauck
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Business Office Manager