

Eastern Snyder County Regional Authority

November 15, 2017

Members Present: Michael Dunigan, Ed Mann, Harlan Parker, Neal Smith, Dan Kiesinger and Tom Ferry.

Others Present: Scott Bailey, Manager; Steve Witmer, Assistant Manager; Ken Potter, Solicitor; Ron Jager, Engineer; Nicki Milligan, Secretary.

Vice Chairman Dunigan opened the meeting at 6:57 p.m. and immediately convened into executive session to consult with its attorney or professional advisor regarding information or strategy in connection with pending litigation against the Borough of Selinsgrove concerning withholding of regional system service charges and reconvened at 7:09 pm. A motion was made by Mr. Ferry and seconded by Mr. Mann that the proposal presented in counteroffer to the Selinsgrove Borough stands as is with a settlement in the amount of \$261,500 with 2015 and 2016 being calculated on flow. A roll call was taken and reads as follows; Mr. Mann, YES; Mr. Parker, YES; Mr. Ferry, YES; Mr. Smith, YES; Mr. Kiesinger, YES and Vice Chairman Dunigan, YES.

Mr. Mann made a motion seconded by Mr. Ferry to approve the minutes from the October 18, 2017 meeting. All members agreed and the motion passed unanimously.

Engineers Report:

1. Bridge Replacement Project, still waiting on the paperwork for final payment.
2. The preliminary design for the plant upgrade project is underway, Gannet Fleming design team visited the plant on October 26th & 27th.

Old Business:

1. Lab on site assessment is scheduled for November 1, 2017 was completed and we expect to hear back from them in January 2018.
2. Nothing new from PMRS concerning the retirement plan amendments to allow in-service distributions.
3. Biosolids still going to the landfill.

New Business:

1. Chairman Whitmer passed away Friday November 10th. He was appointed to the board in July 1994, elected Assistant Secretary/Treasurer in January of 1996, elected Vice-Chairman in January of 1998 and elected Chairman in January of 1999. Services are Saturday November 18th. A motion was made by Mr. Mann and seconded by Mr. Smith to make a donation in the amount of \$1000 (\$500 to St Jude Children's Research Hospital and \$500 to Boys Town) in memorial. All

members agreed and the motion passed unanimously. A request was also made to Mr. Potter to prepare a Resolution acknowledging John's years of service to ESCRA be approved at the December meeting.

2. A request was made to wait until after the January reorganization to change signatories for the checking account and the CD's.
3. A motion was made by Mr. Ferry and seconded by Mr. Parker authorizing Mr. Bailey, Manager to apply for a new credit card with a credit limit of \$20,000 from the Northumberland National Bank. All members agreed and the motion passed unanimously.
4. Primary Sludge Pump Control panel issues.
5. A motion was made by Mr. Mann and seconded by Mr. Smith to approve the 2018 budget. All members agreed and the motion passed unanimously.
6. A Debt service interest and principal payment in the amount of \$595,845.00 was made on October 25, 2017.
7. National Beef's 3rd Quarter 2017 surcharge was sent out in the amount of \$22,045.61.
8. No word on a replacement for Brady Brosious, rumored replacement for Joh Whitmer.
9. The Bench Trial scheduled for November 16-17, 2017 was cancelled.

Financial Report:

The October Disbursements, October Budget Analysis and the current General Ledger Account Summary were presented to board members for review. Mr. Ferry made a motion, seconded by Mr. Mann to approve the reports. All members agreed and the motion passed unanimously.

Solicitors Report:

1. Mr. Potter did not have anything new to report.

Executive Session:

The Vice Chairman requested an executive session to consult with its attorney or professional advisor regarding information or strategy in connection with pending litigation against the Borough of Selinsgrove concerning withholding of regional system service charges. The board convened into executive session at 7:36 pm and reconvened at 7:39 pm. A motion was made by Mr. Ferry and seconded by Mr. Mann that the proposal presented in counteroffer to the Selinsgrove Borough stands as is with a settlement in the amount of \$261,500 with 2015 and 2016 being calculated on flow. All members agreed and the motion passed unanimously.

There being no further business, Vice Chairman Dunigan declared the meeting adjourned at 8:03 p.m. The next regularly scheduled authority meeting is December 20, 2017 at the ESCRA WWTP conference room, 870 South Front Street, Selinsgrove, PA at 7:00 p.m. The next scheduled Long Range Planning Committee meeting is December 13, 2017 at 7:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Nicki Milligan

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Secretary