

Eastern Snyder County Regional Authority

August 16, 2017

Members Present: Tom Ferry, Brady Brosious, Ed Mann, Michael Dunigan, Dan Kiesinger and John Whitmer. Harlan Parker and Neal Smith were excused.

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

Chairman Whitmer opened the meeting at 6:54 p.m. Mr. Dunigan made a motion seconded by Mr. Mann to approve the minutes from the July 19, 2017 meeting. All members agreed and the motion passed unanimously.

Engineers Report:

1. Bridge Replacement Project: Final inspection walk through preformed today, National Beef lateral paving remains to close out the project. Pay App #4 in the amount of \$16,893 was submitted for approval, \$742.38 was ESCRA's portion and \$16,150.62 was HWMA's portion. A motion was made by Mr. Dunigan and seconded by Mr. Brosious to approve and pay App #4.
2. The preliminary design for the plant upgrade project is underway.

Old Business:

1. The paperwork was submitted to regain lab accreditation for BOD, CBOD, and Fecal Coliform.
2. The wash water pump for the screen was installed on August 15th.
3. Nothing new concerning Shamokin Dam LLC, Monroe Manor Phase III or Ply Gem Stone.

New Business:

1. Information was handed out concerning employee cost sharing for health care. The information will be discussed at the next Long Range Planning Meeting.
2. Flow request letters were sent out on August 2nd, due back by September 13th. The 2018 preliminary budget will be ready for the next Long Range Planning meeting.
3. PMRS is working on the retirement plan amendments to allow in-service distributions.
4. The new chlorine tank blower was installed.
5. National Beef 1st Quarter 2017 surcharge was received in the amount of \$32,367.15. The 2nd quarter surcharge in the amount of \$25,542.21 is ready and will be sent out with the quarterly billing.
6. The requested changes to the operations building boiler are scheduled for August 22nd.

7. Panda Hummel Station submitted a request for disposal of approximately 700,000 gallons of boiler and pipe cleaning water into the Regional System. An engineering review will begin after the \$1500 review fee is received.
8. The annual Workers Compensation Audit is scheduled for Thursday August 17, 2017.
9. There was a Surge Protector failure in the Operations Building MCC. A replacement SPD will be ordered at a price of approximately \$2,000.
10. The manager will be meeting with Concord Public Finance on August 29th to discuss upgrade financing options.
11. The manager will be attending a flood mapping meeting on Friday, August 18th.
12. The Status Conference concerning the negotiations with Selinsgrove Borough was held on August 4, the trial has been scheduled for November 16-17, 2017.
- 13.3 MCC DNA's were sent out for repair. 2 of the 3 modules were repairable at a cost of approximately \$335 each.

Solicitors Report:

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

Financial Report:

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

Executive Session:

The 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 and salary and wage increases. The board convened into executive session at 7:29 pm and reconvened at 8:10 pm.

Salary/Wage Discussions:

The board reconvened the regular meeting at 8:10 pm. Mr. Dunigan made a motion seconded by Mr. Mann to give employees a 2.5% across the board increase with the exception of Logan Scholl who will receive an increase of \$1.00 and Steve Witmer who will have his salary increased to \$60,000/yr. A roll call vote was taken and reads as follows; Mr. Mann, YES; Mr. Brosious, YES; Mr. Ferry, YES; Mr. Dunigan, YES; Mr. Kiesinger, YES and Chairman Whitmer, YES.

There being no further business, Chairman Whitmer declared the meeting adjourned at 8:11 p.m. The next regularly scheduled authority meeting is September 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 September 13, 2017 at 7:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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Secretary