

## Eastern Snyder County Regional Authority

June 19, 2024

**Members Present:** Richard Young, Michael Dunigan, Tom McBryan, Richard Mease, Dan Kiesinger, Mike Kuhns and Scott Frost.

**Others Present:** Greg Pysher, Manager; Cory Kline, Assistant Manager; Ken Potter, Solicitor; Nicki Milligan, Secretary; Ethan Baker, Wagner, Dreese, Elsasser & Associates, P.C.

Chairman Dunigan opened the meeting at 6:56 p.m. Mr. Frost made a motion seconded by Mr. Kiesinger to approve the minutes from the May 15, 2024, meeting. All members agreed, and the motion passed unanimously.

### Public Comment:

The 2023 Draft Financial Audit has been completed and was presented to the ESCRA Board by Ethan Baker of Wagner, Dreese, Elsasser & Associates, P.C. A motion was made by Mr. Kuhns and seconded by Mr. Young to approve the 2023 Draft Financial Audit based on no major changes needed for the final draft. All members agreed and the motion passed unanimously.

### Engineers Report:

1. VLR Memorandum
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  2. Submersible Mixer Installation.
  3. VLR Isolation Gate installation.

### Construction Project Update:

1. Self-Cleaning Strainer at the Main Pump Station and Return Building update. HydroDyne Screen Deluge parts ordered for the MPS.
2. Clarifier paint issue.
3. Screw press update.
4. Boiler Project update. Operations building boiler has been ordered.
5. High Pressure water pump design. Pump seal failure and replacement.
6. Main Pump Station Pump Driveshaft vibration.
7. Plant drain float issues.
8. ESCRA As Built drawings.
9. 2022 Plant Inspection Report has been received.
10. 2023 Annual Plant Inspection has been completed.
11. ESCRA WWTP Improvement Construction Services Letter.

### Old Business:

- Investment discussion. A motion was made by Mr. McBryan and seconded by Mr. Kuhns to approve reinvesting the 1 CD that will mature on 6/28/2024 in the amount of \$236,000.00 to purchase a 20yr Treasury Bond with an interest rate of at least 4% or above with Northumberland National Bank. All members agreed and the motion passed unanimously.

- Solar Renewable Energy, LLC. A Solar Power Service Agreement and an Access License Agreement were presented to the Board for review and was revisited at the April 17, 2024 meeting. The Board requested that the Solar Renewable Energy, LLC company come to the May 15, 2024 meeting to answer some questions and concerns the ESCRA Board has. Steve Crimmel and Seth Berry answered questions from the ESCRA Board. Ken Potter will work with SRE to update the Solar Agreements. A motion was made by Mr. McBryan and seconded by Mr. Kuhns to approve moving forward with the project with a downpayment of \$500,000.00 pending the Authorities approval of the interest rate presented by Solar Renewable Energy, LLC. All members agreed and the motion passed unanimously.
- ESCRA depreciation sheet review.
- 2024 WET Test has been completed with a passing result.

**New Business:**

- Energy contract renewal. Manager Greg Pysner has inquired with Penn State University regarding a COSTARS energy program.

**Financial Report:**

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

There being no further business, Chairman Dunigan declared the meeting adjourned at 8:01 p.m. The next regularly scheduled authority meeting is July 17, 2024 at the ESCRA WWTP conference room, 870 South Front Street, Selinsgrove, PA at 7:00 p.m. The next Long-Range Planning Committee meeting is July 10, 2024 at 7:00 p.m. **as needed.**

Respectfully submitted,  
*Nicki Milligan*  
Nicki Milligan, Secretary