# **Eastern Snyder County Regional Authority**

September 20, 2023

**Members Present:** Richard Young, Michael Dunigan, Mike Kuhns, Shane Hendricks,

Tom McBryan, Richard Mease, Dan Kiesinger and Scott Frost.

Others Present: Greg Pysher, Manager; Cory Kline, Assistant Manager; Ken Potter,

Solicitor; Tia Trate, Engineer; Nicki Milligan, Secretary. Brent Hackenberg, Trista Hackenberg, Terry Smith Sr.

Chairman Dunigan opened the meeting at 7:02 p.m. Mr. Young made a motion seconded by Mr. Hendricks to approve the minutes from the August 16, 2023, meeting. all members agreed, and the motion passed unanimously.

Chairman Dunigan requested an executive session to discuss personnel matters. The board convened into executive session at 7:03 p.m. and reconvened the regular meeting at 7:10 p.m.

#### Public Comment:

Brent Hackenberg requested to address the Board regarding Personnel matters.

#### **Engineers Report:**

### **Project Change Order Requests**

 A Substantial Completion Certificate for the ESCRA upgrade project was presented from Lobar, Inc. The Board decided to table until October.

# **Construction Project Update:**

- 1. VLR Memorandum upgrade update.
- 2. Self-Cleaning Strainer at the Main Pump Station and Return Building update.
- 3. Schwing screw press progress update.
- 4. Hypo Room update.
- 5. Boiler Project update. A Draft Study was presented to the Board.
- 6. HVAC System update.
- 7. High Pressure pump issues.
- 8. ESCRA SCADA Integration Final punch-list.
- 9. ESCRA Network Security recommendations.
- 10.October 5, 2023 meeting with Gannett Fleming to discuss project amendments and credits for construction services.

### **Pending Project Documents:**

- 1. Pending documents from Lobar, Inc.
  - Main Pump Station Wetwell #1 bypass line credit.

#### **Old Business:**

- 1. Investment discussion.
  - A motion was made by Mr. Dunigan and seconded by Mr. Frost to approve the purchase of 2 1yr. CD's in the amount of \$250,000.00 each through PLGIT Prime. All members agreed, and the motion passed unanimously.
- Solar Renewable Energy, LLC. Mr. Potter is Reading through the proposed contract.

- 3. Bright Farms Industrial User permit.
  - Long Term Plan all Bright Farm's effluent is being hauled off site.
- 4. National Beef I & I update.
  - A 30-day extension of the Industrial Waste Permit was issued on 9/14/2023. An on-site meeting is scheduled at National Beef on October 10, 2023.
- 5. Shamokin Dam Pump Station paving quote. A Quote was received from RiteWay Inc. in the amount of \$9,275.00.

### **New Business:**

- 1. The 2024 draft budget was presented and was discussed. Mr. Young made a motion seconded by Mr. Kuhns to send the draft budget to the participants for their review. An advertisement will be placed stating ESCRA will hold a public meeting for questions or comments of the 2024 draft budget at our next regularly scheduled Authority Meeting on October 18, 2022. All members agreed and the motion passed unanimously.
- 2. The 2024 Pension Minimum Municipal Obligation worksheet was presented to the board for approval. A motion was made by Mr. McBryan and seconded by Mr. Frost to approve the 2024 pension MMO in the amount of \$119,043.00. All members agreed and the motion passed unanimously.
- 3. Terry Fisher has requested 1 EDU for a property at 122 W. 11<sup>th</sup> Ave, Shamokin Dam, PA 17876. A motion was made by Mr. Kuhns and seconded by Mr. Young to approve the 1 EDU. All members agreed and the motion passed unanimously.

## **Financial Report:**

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

#### **Executive Session:**

Chairman Dunigan requested an executive session to further discuss personnel matters. The board convened into executive session at 8:50 p.m. and reconvened the regular meeting at 9:07 p.m. Brent Hackenberg was discussed and the Board stands by their decision regarding the termination of Brent Hackenberg.

There being no further business, Chairman Dunigan declared the meeting adjourned at 9:10p.m. The next regularly scheduled authority meeting is October 18, 2023 at the ESCRA WWTP conference room, 870 South Front Street, Selinsgrove, PA at 7:00p.m. The next Long-Range Planning Committee meeting is October 11, 2023 at 7:00p.m. **as needed**.

Respectfully submitted,

Nicki Milligan,

Nicki Milligan, Secretary