

## Eastern Snyder County Regional Authority

November 15, 2023

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

**Others Present:** Greg Pysher, Manager; Cory Kline, Assistant Manager; Ken Potter, Solicitor; Nicki Milligan, Secretary.

Chairman Dunigan opened the meeting at 6:58 p.m. Mr. Kuhns made a motion seconded by Mr. Young to approve the minutes from the October 18, 2023, meeting. all members agreed, and the motion passed unanimously.

### Engineers Report:

#### Project Change Order Requests

- A motion was made by Mr. Frost and seconded by Mr. Kuhns to approve the final Pay Estimate #22 in the amount of \$29,943.00 for Garden Spot Electric. All members agreed, and the motion passed unanimously.
- Garden Spot Electric submitted pricing for the MCC HVAC Bucket updates in the amount of \$13,380.00. A motion was made by Mr. Frost and seconded by Mr. McBryan to approve the updates to the MCC HVAC Bucket updates. All members agreed and the motion passed unanimously.
- Manager Pysher requested approval to purchase a Raco Verbatim Auto Dialer Backup. A motion was made by Mr. Kiesinger and seconded by Mr. Mease to approved the purchase. All members agreed and the motion passed unanimously.
- A Substantial Completion Certificate for the ESCRA upgrade project was presented from Lobar, Inc. The Board reviewed the Substantial Completion letter from Gannett Fleming stating that Lobar has not reached substantial completion according to the contract. The board decided to table this until December.
- Lobar outstanding payment letter.

#### 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. A meeting was held with Schwing on October 18, 2023. The ESCRA Board has received an offer from Schwing, Tia Trate(engineer) has drafted a letter to the ESCRA Board with her recommendations of a counter offer. A motion was made by Mr. Young and seconded by Mr. Mease to approved the counter offer to be submitted to Schwing. All members agreed and the motion passed unanimously.
4. Hypo Room update.
5. Boiler Project update.
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. No response from Gannett yet.

11.Preparedness, Prevention and Contingency (PPC) Plan review.

**Pending Project Documents:**

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

**Old Business:**

- Investment discussion. A motion was made by Mr. McBryan and seconded by Mr. Young to approve the purchase of a 5yr or 10yr (whichever has the best rate/term) Treasury Bond in the amount of \$500,000.00 through NNB. All members agreed, and the motion passed unanimously.
- Solar Renewable Energy, LLC. Mr. Potter has completed reviewing the proposed contract. The contract has been returned with questions and comments. A phone call will be scheduled with Mr. Potter, Manger Pysher and the Solar Company to discuss the proposed contract.
- Bright Farms - Long Term Plan all Bright Farm's effluent is being hauled off site. NPDES permit has been submission.
- National Beef I & I update. A 45-day extension of the Industrial Waste Permit was issued on 11/15/2023 National Beef has been notified this will be the last extension and that they must have a new IWP in affect by 12/29/2023.
- The 2024 Draft Budget was presented for approval. The draft was circulated to the participants, there were no comments received. A motion was made by Mr. Mease and seconded by Mr. Young to approve the 2024 Budget as presented. All members agreed and the motion passed unanimously.
- Light Pole wiring upgrade project.
- 2023 Truck purchase.
- Sewer capacity verification for 90 EDUs at the Orchard Hills Development in Shamokin Dam, PA 17876.

**New Business:**

1. 2023 Water Year Closeout.

**Financial Report:**

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

There being no further business, Chairman Dunigan declared the meeting adjourned at 8:23p.m. The next regularly scheduled authority meeting is December 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 December 13, 2023 at 7:00p.m. **as needed.**

Respectfully submitted,  
*Nicki Milligan*  
Nicki Milligan, Secretary