

Eastern Snyder County Regional Authority

January 15, 2020

- Members Present:** Dan Kiesinger, Michael Dunigan, Tom Ferry, Tom McBryan, Richard Young, Michael Kuhns, Shane Hendricks (via phone). Harlan Parker was absent.
- Others Present:** Greg Pysner, Acting Manager; Cory Kline, Acting Assistant Manager; Ken Potter, Solicitor; Ron Jager, Engineer; Nicki Milligan, Secretary.

Chairman Dunigan opened the meeting at 7:00 p.m. Mr. Ferry made a motion seconded by Mr. Young to approve the minutes from the December 18, 2019 meeting. All members agreed and the motion passed unanimously.

Authority Reorganization

Chairman Dunigan relinquished the chair to the solicitor for the purpose of conducting the annual reorganization of the Authority Board. The current slate of Authority Officers and their respective offices held are: Chairman, Michael Dunigan; Vice-Chairman, Tom Ferry; Secretary, Richard Young; Treasurer, Tom McBryan; Assistant, Secretary/Treasurer, Dan Kiesinger.

The solicitor opened the floor for nominations. Mr. Kuhns made a motion, seconded by Mr. McBryan to close the nominations and accept the slate of the Authority Officers. as follows: Chairman, Michael Dunigan; Vice-Chairman, Tom Ferry; Secretary, Richard Young; Treasurer, Tom McBryan; Assistant, Secretary/Treasurer, Dan Kiesinger. All members agreed and the motions passed unanimously. The Solicitor returned the chair to Mr. Dunigan.

Engineers Report:

1. Final design for the plant upgrade project is complete.
2. The WQM Part II permit application is close to being approved, Should be ready for the February 5th application date for PennVest.
3. Gannett Fleming removed the \$88,000 worth of work at the Shamokin Dam Pump Station that would require the Chapter 106 permit. A motion was made by Mr. Dunigan and seconded by Mr. Young to approve Amendment #3 to Gannett Fleming for the additional \$7,500 to file the amendment for the Chapter 106 permit. All members agreed and the motion passed unanimously.
4. A motion was made by Mr. McBryan and seconded by Mr. Ferry to approve Resolution 1 of 2020-“RESOLVED, that the Eastern Snyder County Regional (the “Applicant”) shall be, and the same hereby are authorized to submit a Financial Assistance Application to the Pennsylvania Infrastructure Investment Authority (PENNVEST), substantially in the form presented at this meeting for the purpose of financing/partially financing the Wastewater Treatment Plant Improvements Project, for construction and rehabilitation to the sewer system. All members agreed and the motion passed unanimously.
5. A motion was made by Mr. Ferry and seconded by Mr. Kuhns to approve after review by Mr. Dunigan a Letter of Responsibility and 3 Specification Certificates.

RE: Application for Financial Assistance (Application) in the amount of \$12,901,300 from the Pennsylvania Infrastructure Investment Authority (Authority) to the Eastern Snyder County Regional Authority (Applicant) for the Wastewater Treatment Plant Improvements Project for improvement to the treatment of sewage system within Boroughs of Selinsgrove and Shamokin Dam, the area of Monroe Township served by Hummels Wharf Municipal Authority, and Penn Township, Snyder County, Pennsylvania (Project).

All members agreed and the motion passed unanimously.

6. A motion was made by Mr. Dunigan and seconded by Mr. Young to approve Greg Pyscher Acting Manager to sign the 2020 NPDES Permit application along with a \$1250 application fee. All members agreed and the motion passed unanimously.
7. The county commissioners are still holding the flood mitigation grant money.
8. The TV inspection of the remaining 1/3rd of the collection system was started on 1/13/2020.

Old Business:

1. The 22nd late notice has been mailed to Hummels Wharf.
2. No new information concerning the Zechman 1 EDU capacity request.
3. The National Beef 3rd Qtr, 2019 surcharge was sent on January 1st, 2020 in the amount of \$28,741.80.
4. Scott Bailey retirement paperwork review.

New Business:

1. All 1st quarter 202 participant bills were paid.
2. The 2020 MMO was paid on 1/10/2020.
3. ESCRA facilities reappraisal recommendations were submitted on 11/23/2019.
4. ESCRA Safety Program
 - a) Monthly safety meetings
 - b) Monthly safety training-Chlorine
 - c) A motion was made by Mr. Ferry and seconded by Mr. Young to approve Acting Manager Greg Pyscher to purchase a new Confined Space tripod and winch up to but not to exceed \$3600. All members agreed and the motion passed unanimously.
 - d) A motion was made by Mr. Young and seconded by Mr. Kuhns approve Acting Manager Greg Pyscher to purchase 2 new Escape Respirators for Chlorine and possibly sell the SCBA Equipment on Municibid. All members agreed and the motion passed unanimously.
5. Penn Township Municipal Authority letter discussion.
6. ESCRA online bill paying proposal.
7. ESCRA dental and vision insurance proposal.
8. A motion was made by Mr. Ferry and seconded by Mr. McBryan to allow Acting Manager Greg Pyscher to buy tools to run the shop up to but not exceed \$5000. All members agreed and the motion passed unanimously.
9. Selinsgrove Borough Service Agreement Amendment letter discussion.
10. We received the 2018 Chapter 94 report approval letter.
11. Charles Paige 1 EDU request. Have not heard anything from Penn Twp.

Financial Report:

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

Solicitors Report:

Mr. Potter had nothing to report.

Executive Session:

Chairman Dunigan requested an executive session to discuss the pending threat of litigation and Personnel matters. The board convened into executive session at 7:48 pm and reconvened at 8:56 pm.

A motion was made by Mr. Ferry and seconded by Mr. Young to promote Acting Manager Greg Pysner to Manager with a salary of \$68,000 and Acting Assistant Manager Cory Kline to Assistant Manager with a salary of \$52,000. All members agreed and the motion passed unanimously.

There being no further business, Chairman Dunigan declared the meeting adjourned at 8:58 p.m. The next regularly scheduled authority meeting is February 19, 2020 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 February 12, 2020 at 7:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Nicki Milligan

Nicki Milligan, Secretary