

## Eastern Snyder County Regional Authority

October 18, 2017

**Members Present:** Michael Dunigan, Ed Mann, Harlan Parker, Neal Smith, Dan Kiesinger and John Whitmer. Tom Ferry was 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 6:55 p.m. Mr. Mann made a motion seconded by Mr. Dunigan to approve the minutes from the September 20, 2017 meeting. All members agreed and the motion passed unanimously.

### **Engineers Report:**

1. Bridge Replacement Project: The National Beef lateral paving was completed on October 17, 2017 to close out the project. A motion was made by Mr. Dunigan and seconded by Mr. Smith to pay the final pay estimate when the proper paperwork is received. All members agreed and the motion passed unanimously.
2. The preliminary design for the plant upgrade project is underway. First site visit scheduled for October 26, 2017.

### **Old Business:**

1. Lab on site assessment is scheduled for November 1, 2017.
2. PMRS is working on the retirement plan amendments to allow in-service distributions.

### **New Business:**

1. Brady Brosious resigned from the ESCRA board effective September 27, 2017. A motion was made by Mr. Mann and seconded by Mr. Dunigan to approve Resolution 17-2 thanking Mr. Brosious for his years of service. All members agreed and the motion passed unanimously.
2. A Debt service interest and principal payment in the amount of \$595,845.00 is due on October 25, 2017.
3. A meeting with the Snyder County Commissioners was held October 17, 2017 concerning inclusion in the Luzerne County Flood Mitigation Grant Program.
4. All 4<sup>th</sup> Qtr. Service charges have been received.
5. The final numbers concerning the Nutrient Loading for the Water Year ending on September 30, 2017 were distributed.
6. There were no comments concerning the Preliminary 2018 budget that was distributed to the participants for review, final adoption will take place at the November meeting.

7. The Ferric Chloride pump finally failed and the repair part has been ordered at a cost of approximately \$700.00.
8. The pavement issue near Buchanan and Old Trail in Hummels Wharf has been repaired at a cost of \$6200.00. The Monroe Township Supervisors approved the waiver releasing ESCRA from responsibility for any future issues. The repair to the manhole at Commerce and Old Trail has also been completed.
9. There was a circuit board failure on the #2 VLR air valve. The replacement boards cost approximately \$1000.00. The manufacturer informed the staff that the boards will no longer be available after 2017 and the valves will have to be replaced as part of the upgrade project.
10. National Beef's 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter 2017 surcharge was received in the amount of \$25,542.21.
11. Biosolids disposal at the landfill continues.
12. The drive seal failure on Primary Clarifier #2 repair is stable.
13. The Bench Trial is scheduled for November 16-17, 2017.

**Financial Report:**

The September Disbursements, September 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.

**Solicitors Report:**

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

**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. The board convened into executive session at 7:09 pm and reconvened at 7:24 pm.

There being no further business, Chairman Whitmer declared the meeting adjourned at 7:25 p.m. The next regularly scheduled authority meeting is November 15, 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 November 8, 2017 at 7:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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Secretary