

SPRING-BENNER-WALKER JOINT AUTHORITY

REGULAR MEETING

April 28, 2014

ATTENDANCE:

AUTHORITY MEMBERS:	Spring	Gregg Heny Dondi Smeltzer
	Benner	Dan Hoffman William Hughes
	Walker	Dennis McDowell Joseph Swanderski

GUESTS: None

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR: N. Warren Miller

CONSULTING ENGINEER: Andy Johnson, P.E.

EMPLOYEES: Kelly Gill

CALL TO ORDER:

The April 28, 2014, Regular Meeting of the Spring-Benner-Walker Joint Authority was called to order at 7:00 P.M. by Dennis McDowell, Vice-Chairman. Mr. McDowell thanked everyone for attending and stated that the meeting would be recorded for transcription.

ROLL CALL:

William Hughes, Secretary, took Roll Call, recording six members present. Mr. T. Miller, Mr. Onufrak and Mr. Scott were absent. Mr. McDowell, Vice-Chairman, noted that with a quorum present, the Spring-Benner-Walker Joint Authority was permitted to conduct business under the laws of Pennsylvania.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Mr. McDowell, Vice-Chairman, led the Board members and Employees in the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES:

Mr. McDowell asked the Board if there were any questions and/or changes to the April 14, 2014 meeting minutes as presented. **Mr. Swanderski moved, seconded by Mr. Hoffman to approve the Minutes of the April 14, 2014 Regular Meeting as presented.** 6 ayes, 0 nays, 3 absent. **The motion carried.**

CORRESPONDENCE: There was no Correspondence presented for discussion.

FINANCIAL REPORTS:

Treasurer's Report: Mr. Heny reviewed the financial reports for the period ending 03/31/2014. Mr. McDowell asked if there were any questions pertaining to the reports. **Mr. Smeltzer moved, seconded by Mr. McDowell to approve the Treasurer's Report as presented.** 6 ayes, 0 nays, 3 absent. **The motion carried.**

APPROVAL OF PAYMENTS:

Approval of Requisitions:

Revenue Fund Requisition 2012-31 - Mr. Hoffman moved, seconded by Mr. Swanderski to approve Revenue Requisition 2012-31 payable to SBWJA in the amount of \$53,733.19. 6 ayes, 0 nays, 3 absent. **The motion carried.**

Mr. Smeltzer asked if the issues surrounding the Bellefonte Borough's 4th quarter 2013 treatment billings from last month have been resolved. Mrs. Gill indicated that the Borough provided our Authority with a preliminary 4th quarter 2013 O&M and capital billing as we requested to prevent delays with our annual audit. Mr. W. Miller asked Mr. Stewart if our Authority could wait to pay the bill and the Borough wanted payment based on the preliminary bill. Our Authority recently received a final 4th quarter 2013 O&M and capital billing after completion of the Borough's audit, which indicates a credit in excess of \$21,000 for the O&M bill and balance due of over \$12,000 for the capital bill. Mrs. Gill indicated the difference in billings is due to audit adjustments, which are not easy to understand. The Authority's auditor will be assisting with review of the Borough's audit adjustments to verify compliance with our 1976 agreement.

GUESTS: There were no Guests present for the meeting.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

Operator Certification – Mr. W. Miller informed the Board that Chris Ranio recently passed the required tests to become a licensed water/wastewater operator within the Commonwealth. Mr. Ranio has worked for the Authority for over a year and has now attained his license.

EXECUTIVE SESSION – Mr. McDowell recessed the Board for an Executive Session at 7:20 p.m. to discuss Litigation. The meeting reconvened at 7:28 p.m.

Centre County Government GIS Department – Nick Barger of the Centre County GIS Department recently contacted the office asking us to provide him with a listing of all property addresses currently served by our Authority, including the tax parcel numbers. Mr. Barger indicated that he would like to incorporate this information into the County's GIS Mapping.

Mr. W. Miller indicated that his initial thought was no because of the workload, but he has since determined that our billing software will allow us to provide a listing of property addresses; therefore, he wanted to know whether or not the Board would approve of providing this information. Mr. McDowell asked if any of the surrounding municipalities were providing this information and Mr. W. Miller indicated he wasn't sure. The Board discussed this further and doesn't want to provide an individual's information but suggested providing a general map of our existing sewer service area and then future service area shaded differently. Mr. W. Miller will contact Mr. Barger to determine if this information will be acceptable.

ENGINEER'S REPORT:

Zion/Mingoville Study – Mr. Johnson informed the Board that he believes it will cost approximately \$1.5 million to relocate PS#7 (Zion Ridge) and approximately \$300,000 to install an equalization tank. Mr. Johnson would like some direction as to how the Board wants to proceed from this point forward.

Mr. W. Miller suggested that if we decide to move forward with the project we should probably freshen up the Zion/Mingoville study from HRG in 2007 and complete an Act 57 study to establish a special purpose tapping fee for this area.

The Board would like Mr. Johnson to provide our Authority with a proposal to update the HRG study and include the preparation of an Act 57 study for the project. Mr. W. Miller asked Mr. Johnson to break out the costs for PS #7 and PS#5 in the proposal in case we decided to move forward with only one pump station at this time.

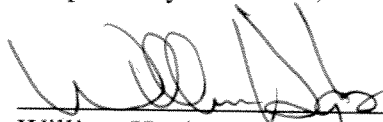
OLD BUSINESS: There was no Old Business presented for discussion.

NEW BUSINESS: There was no New Business presented for discussion.

ADJOURNMENT:

Mr. Hoffman moved, seconded by Mr. Hughes to adjourn the meeting at 7:42 p.m. 6 ayes, 0 nays, 3 absent. The motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,



William Hughes, Secretary



Kelly J. Gill, Recording Secretary

CC: Benner Township _____
Spring Township _____
Walker Township _____ > 5/13/14
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