

SPRING-BENNER-WALKER JOINT AUTHORITY

REGULAR MEETING

July 14, 2014

ATTENDANCE:

AUTHORITY MEMBERS:

Spring	Gregg Heny Ted Onufrak Dondi Smeltzer
Benner	Dan Hoffman William Hughes Timothy Miller
Walker	Dennis McDowell Joseph Swanderski

GUEST: None Present

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR: N. Warren Miller

CONSULTING SOLICITOR: Robert Mix, Esq.

EMPLOYEES: Tasha Dutton

CALL TO ORDER:

The July 14, 2014, Regular Meeting of the Spring-Benner-Walker Joint Authority was called to order at 7:00 P.M. by Timothy Miller, Chairman. Mr. T. Miller thanked everyone for attending and stated that the meeting would be recorded for transcription.

ROLL CALL:

William Hughes, Secretary, took Roll Call, recording eight members present. Mr. Scott was absent. Mr. T. Miller, 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. T. Miller, Chairman, led the Board members and Employees in the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES:

Mr. Hoffman moved, seconded by Mr. Swanderski to approve the Minutes of the June 23, 2014 Regular Meeting as presented. 8 ayes, 0 nays, 1 absent. The motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE:

Mammoth Restoration & Construction – We received a letter from Anita Nixdorf of Mammoth Restoration & Construction requesting the Authority reimburse their business for its tap and inspection fees of \$5,510.00 which were purchased for lot #6 in the Benner Commerce Park. Mammoth decided that they would not be building a new facility on this lot. Mr. W. Miller stated that this lot has been stripped of its topsoil, which is causing a 10' wide section of force main not to have adequate cover. Mr. W. Miller has contacted the engineer, John Sepp, regarding this issue and is waiting for a response. The force main will need to have the specified 4' minimum cover. Mr. Onufrak suggested reviewing the Mammoth right-of-way to determine the restoration guidelines.

APPROVAL OF PAYMENTS:

Approval of Requisitions:

Revenue Fund Requisition 2012-36 – Mr. T. Miller asked if there were any questions regarding the presentation of Revenue Fund Requisition #2012-36.

Mr. Smeltzer asked if the two (2) Barnes UltraGrind Pump Stations from CW Sales Corporation were for upgrades to Pump Station #7(Zion Ridge). Mr. W. Miller explained that these grinder tanks are being used at residential properties. **Mr. McDowell moved, seconded by Mr. Hughes to approve Revenue Requisition 2012-36 payable to SBWJA in the amount of \$78,588.94. 8 ayes, 0 nays, 1 absent. The motion carried.**

GUEST: There were no Guests present for the meeting.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

Coleville Trash Complaint – Mr. W. Miller met with a representative from Graymont regarding the trash being dumped in the Coleville Park/Ballfield. It was agreed that Graymont would purchase all materials needed to construct gates and our Authority would build and install them at our right-of-way and the access to the playground to deter dumping.

Knoebels Picnic – The Authority will be holding its 10th Annual family picnic at Knoebels on Saturday, August 2, 2014. Mr. W. Miller informed the Board that there is a sign-up sheet available to indicate what everyone will be bringing to the picnic.

Pump Station #7 (Zion Ridge) Parts Replacement - The impeller and wear plate clearances for our pumps are set quarterly for the most efficient pump maintenance. During a recent inspection of the pumps it was noted that Pump Station #7 (Zion Ridge) is in need of new impellers, wear plates and seals for all four (4) pumps. Mr. W. Miller indicated that it will cost approximately \$3,000.00 to replace the parts and pump replacement would cost \$5,000.00 each. The volutes (pump bodies) seem to be in good condition; therefore, the Authority will only need to purchase the impellers, wear plates and seals. Mr. Hoffman asked if there were complete pumps readily available for emergencies. Mr. W. Miller indicated that the Authority has one (1) complete pump in stock and that a new pump can be delivered within one (1) week. **Mr. Smeltzer moved, seconded by Mr. Hoffman to approve the purchase of impellers, wear plates and seals for the four (4) pumps at Pump Station #7 (Zion Ridge).** 8 ayes, 0 nays, 1 absent. **The motion carried.**

Sheckler Right-of-Way - The Sheckler Farm on Jacksonville Road, which is located across from Scott Lane is currently being surveyed and right-of-ways are being revised due to the Sheckler family selling the property. Mr. Alan Uhler from Kerry A. Uhler & Associates has approached the Authority requesting our right-of-way from the Sheckler Farm Lane be terminated. This right-of-way was obtained in 1988 and was never utilized. Mr. Uhler has also submitted an amended right-of-way which would include new surveyed detailed descriptions. Mr. Onufrak asked if the Sheckler's were compensated for the right-of-way they would like to terminate. Mr. Mix reviewed the information that Mr. Uhler submitted and stated there was no indication the Authority paid for the right-of-way. The Board discussed the matter and decided to table the request at this time.

I & I Surcharge – Mr. W. Miller informed the Board that there are currently five (5) customers paying the quarterly I & I Surcharge of \$195.00 and there may be two (2) more added soon. It was announced that the Authority does not want to collect an I & I Surcharge, we just want to keep the ground water out of the system. Mr. Mix asked what the percentage would be of noncompliant customers. Mr. W. Miller informed everyone that the Authority has performed more than 3,000 in-home inspections and only five (5) customers are paying the I & I Surcharge.

Smoke Testing – The maintenance department has been conducting smoke tests within the sewer system over the past week. A blower is inserted into a manhole then a non-toxic smoke is administered into the sewer main which will allow our employees to identify areas within the system that require repair. This process allows our personnel to locate problems quickly.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT:

Delinquent Tax Sale – Mr. Mix informed the Board that the Authority has three (3) customers that will be listed on the Tax Claim Bureau's Petition for Judicial Sale, free and clear of liens and encumbrances. The properties are 274 Lower Coleville Road, 1515 Axemann Road and 1155 South Main Street, Centre Hall.

OLD BUSINESS:

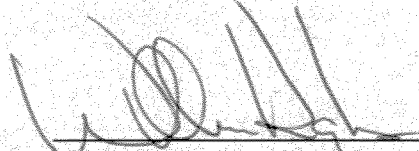
Pleasant Gap Fire Company Parade – We have finalized the posters for the Pleasant Gap Fire Company Parade on July 24, 2014. Mr. W. Miller stated that the posters will be 2' X 3' and will be laminated.

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

ADJOURNMENT:

Mr. Hughes moved, seconded by Mr. Heny to adjourn the meeting at 7:49 p.m. 8 ayes, 0 nays, 1 absent. The motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,



William Hughes, Secretary



Tasha L. Dutton, Recording Secretary

CC: Benner Township _____
Spring Township _____
Walker Township _____