

minutes

Rimersburg Borough Municipal Authority Meeting

Date | time Jan. 2, 2019 | 6:00 p.m. | Meeting called to order by Regularly Scheduled

In Attendance

Authority members: Mike Graham, Greg Haws, ~~Rebecca Bliss~~, Patty Alworth, Gary Fowler, ~~Vacancy 1,~~
~~Vacancy 2~~

Also Present: Kyle Schwabenbauer, P.E./ EADS Group; Roger Crick, Pres./Rimersburg Borough Council

Call to Order

The Jan. 2, 2019 regularly scheduled meeting of the Rimersburg Borough Municipal Authority was called to order by Chairman, Mike Graham, at 6:04 p.m.

Persons to Be Heard

None

Approval of Minutes

The Dec. 5, 2018 minutes were read and approved by a motion from Gary, second by Mike, and a unanimous vote.

Financial

All Authority and Borough bank account balances were provided as well as Toby debt service loan balances.

The EADS Group invoices totaling \$785.25 were presented for payment as follows:

1. Inv. 224168 Coordinate w/solicitor on final adoption of Rules & Regs. = \$90.00, Authority share \$45.00
2. Inv. 224169 Coordinate w/Frank re: Patsy sewer tap, and portable vs. stationary generators for water pump station = \$440.25
3. Inv. 224170 Mtg. attendance Oct., Nov., Dec. = \$300.00

EADS invoices were approved as presented with a motion for each from Patty, second for each from Gary, and a unanimous vote in favor for each.

Dale Woodard Gent McFate invoices totaling \$193.20 were presented for payment as follows:

1. Inv. 11312-001M email from Boro. Sec. 11/07/2018 = \$35.00
2. Inv. 11312-013M Sharrar correspondence = \$105.70
3. Inv. 11312-010M Rules & Regs. Coord. EADS = \$52.50

Dale Woodard Gent McFate invoices were approved as presented with one motion from Patty, second from Gary, and a unanimous vote in favor.

Courier Express invoice for the advertisement of the Act 537 notice in the amount of \$97.71 was approved with a motion from Patty, second from Gary, and a unanimous vote in favor.

PA Municipal Authorities annual membership dues of \$200.00 were approved with a motion from Patty, second from Gary, and a unanimous vote in favor.

Unfinished Business

Frank has obtained pricing from Davis Excavating for the Dan Patsy sewer job. He spoke with Bison again today who will email him pricing.

Projects

EADS Group Engineer Report attached to these minutes.

Greg made a motion to submit the Act 537 Plan to DEP. Patty gave his motion a second and it carried with a unanimous vote.

Correspondence

A letter was received from East Brady notifying us of installation of caustic feed equipment within 8 weeks of the letter, dated December 6, 2018 to “maintain better control of the pH of the finished water.” Per DEP, this will help them “maintain compliance with the requirements of the Lead and Copper Rule.”

New Business

George Cowatch called to find out whether he still owns the parcel on which the Carwick lift station is situated because he is being taxed for it. As solicitor at the time of the Toby Water & Sewer Project condemnations, William Hager's office responded that the Authority acquired the necessary portion, not the entire property. Therefore, Mr. Cowatch is responsible for the portion he owns. Mr. Cowatch then asked whether he ever received payment. The transaction should have taken place between November 2015 and January 2016 or so. No record of payment has yet been found. The County Registrar and Prothonotary offices show no payment, notes, or anything otherwise recorded on this case or map number for that time period. Borough Secretary will follow up with William Hager's office to see if this process was completed and, if not, what needs to be done to complete it.

Mike mentioned to those present that an opportunity to purchase a belt press has arisen. Clarion Borough just upgraded to a centrifugal press and their previous belt press is available for \$1,500. A group including Mike and Jeff, went to look at the press. It is missing two drums and two pistons, but looks very clean and well kept. It was new in the mid-1980's. There is a company in Monroeville that can be used to maintain or rebuild it. They can send a service person up to inspect the press and tell the Authority what it needs and what condition it is in. Rebuilding the press is estimated to cost roughly \$150,000 whereas a new press would cost \$199,000. Group consensus seemed to be in favor of not rebuilding the press, but to see what it needs to be fully operational and what kind of life it has left in it. Jeff will continue to pursue this information.

The next meeting of the Authority, Feb. 6, 2019, will be the re-organizational meeting as it will occur after the Council appoints or re-appoints a member to the Authority.

Adjournment

Wed., Feb. 6, 2019 | 6:00 p.m., is the next regularly scheduled meeting of the Rimersburg Borough Municipal Authority at the Rimersburg Borough Building.

Patty motioned for adjournment and Gary seconded. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 6:48 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Dana L. Solida

Borough Secretary