

minutes

Rimersburg Borough Municipal Authority Meeting

Date / time November 6, 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., Marty English, P.E./ EADS Group; Roger Crick, Pres./ Rimersburg Borough Council

Call to Order

The November 6, 2019 regularly scheduled meeting of the Rimersburg Borough Municipal Authority was called to order by Chairman, Mike Graham, at 6:00 p.m.

Persons to Be Heard

None

Approval of Minutes

The October 2, 2019 minutes were read and approved by a motion from Greg, second by Gary, and a unanimous vote.

Financial

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

The following bills were presented for payment approval:

- A. EADS Inv. 226699 = \$808.14 Sloan St. & Prep. of uninterrupted System Service Plan, Corrective Action Plan – Gary made a motion to pay the invoice, Patty offered a second and the invoice was approved by unanimous vote.
- B. EADS Inv. 226700 = \$436.50 Revision Rules & Regulation drawings & language, developer extension agreements – Patty made a motion to pay the invoice, Greg offered a second and the invoice was approved by unanimous vote.
- C. EADS Inv. 226701 = \$1,107.38 Ridgeview Drive Sewer laterals & mainline connections, cap & plug details, dev. ext. agreements – Greg made a motion to pay the invoice, Gary offered a second and the invoice was approved by unanimous vote.
- D. Beels Ins. Inv. 92380 = \$355 RBMA Bond Ins. – Patty made a motion to pay the invoice, Gary offered a second and the invoice was approved by unanimous vote.
- E. Solicitor Inv. 11312-019M, St. 2 = \$1,446.10 file 11 municipal liens – Patty made a motion to pay the invoice, Greg offered a second and the invoice was approved by unanimous vote.

Unfinished Business

The water SCADA system is going to be in the given \$1,350-\$1,950 range to repair. The old program, as feared was unrecoverable. Cambria Systems still has the original program and can re-install. Then EADS tech can load new. It was agreed that this is an operational expense and will be forwarded to Borough bills to pay.

Projects

EADS Group Engineer Report attached to these minutes.

The influent rental flow meter from Hach was installed at the plant Mon., Nov. 4, 2019, but is showing difficulty connecting via the modem. Hach is expected to help fix this issue and get it up and running collecting data.

Kyle will email Word version of updated Water and Sewer Rules & Regulations. This led to discussion of basement drains and how much they may or may not affect flow of storm water to the sewer plant. Marty stated that inspection Ts can reveal sump pumps for instance in that it can be readily determined if there is rhythmic pumping coming from a residence during a rain event. In a past conversation, Frank mentioned a residence he suspected of having a sump pump tied into the sewer system. Members requested that Frank find out if there is an inspection T at this residence.

Greg made a motion to adopt Resolution 6-2019 authorizing application for PA Small Water grant funds for the Chestnut/ Main St. Fire Flow Project totaling almost \$500,000. The motion received a second from Gary and a unanimous vote in favor.

Kyle informed Authority members that to get estimates from contractors for the Sloan St. Sewer Project, two spots of existing mains will have to be opened to verify elevations of the main line in those particular areas. Kyle was asked if the estimate can increase due to rock. Marty explained that the type of excavation gets labeled unclassified so that contractors know to prepare for anything including rock and that the bid or estimate cannot change due to encountering rock.

Correspondence

After the Borough's letter to Commissioner Tharan informing him of the need for 2 generators, one smaller for the Community Building and one 200KW for the Water Pump Station, in a disaster such as a power outage, we received a letter and form from Clarion County to complete and submit. They will submit our completed form along with our letter to apply for funding. Their letter only mentioned one size generator, the size that would be compatible with the Community Building, not the Water Pump Station. The Authority will again look at previous pricing provided by EADS and contact a possible lead for used generators to come into compliance with the requirements of the Uninterrupted System Service Plan. A Corrective Action Plan must be submitted by 02/19/2020 including back up generator information.

New Business

Mike mentioned a conversation he had with Frank McNaughton, Water Operator and Borough Maintenance Supervisor, about another unmetered private line at Rider Rd. Approximately 1,000,000 gallons of water are lost each month and Frank would like to install a meter pit near the Main to meter this private line as the meters are in the houses and the line itself is not being accurately and regularly monitored for leaks. General consensus was in favor of installing a meter pit at this location to compare readings monthly as is being done at three other locations and also taking inventory of all such instances and long services where the meter is in the house.

A letter of resignation from the Rimersburg Borough Municipal Authority was received from Becky Bliss. Regrettably, Patty made a motion to accept Becky's resignation which was seconded by Greg and received a unanimous vote in favor. After some discussion, Patty made a motion to recommend Dan Burkett to the Rimersburg Borough Council to fill the Authority vacancy for the remainder of Becky's term expiring end of year 2020. Greg gave her motion a second and it carried with a unanimous vote.

Adjournment

Wednesday, December 4, 2019 | 6:00 p.m., is the next regularly scheduled meeting of the Rimersburg Borough Municipal Authority at the Rimersburg Borough Building.

Greg motioned for adjournment and Patty seconded. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:31 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Dana L. Solida
Borough Secretary