

minutes

Rimersburg Borough Municipal Authority Meeting

Date / time Aug. 4, 2021 | 6:30 p.m. | *Meeting called to order by* Regularly Scheduled

In Attendance

Authority members: Patty Alworth, Dan Burkett, Gary Fowler, Mike Graham, ~~Greg Haws, Vacancy 1~~ +
Vacancy 2

Also Present: Kyle Schwabenbauer, P.E./ EADS Group; Frank McNaughton/ Rimersburg Boro. Maint. Sup.

Call to Order

The August 4, 2021 regularly scheduled meeting of the Rimersburg Borough Municipal Authority was called to order by Chairman, Mike Graham, at 6:34 p.m.

Persons to Be Heard

Water Service Upgrade:

Property Owner requested water on after 6 month deadline, must install meter pit per Rules & Regs. Letter of notification suggested, 60 days to install or service off until meter pit installation successfully inspected, completed. Of note: property owner notified two employees outside of work hours at other locations. Employees did not remember upon return to work. Advised by at least one employee to call office. Owner did not call office until after deadline. General consensus in favor of following policy including call office for requests, send letter, enforce upgrade.

Approval of Minutes

The June 2, 2021 minutes were approved by a motion, second, and unanimous vote. No meeting held in July, lack of quorum.

Financial

All Authority, Borough bank account balances, and Toby debt service loan balances were presented. A motion was made, seconded, and carried by unanimous vote to pay the bills as presented.

Unfinished Business

None

Projects

EADS Group Engineer Report attached to these minutes.

Resolution 04-2021 Eminent Domain:

Motion, second, carried with unanimous vote to adopt Resolution 04-2021 to proceed with eminent domain for designated property, approximately 1.5 acres, belonging to Marilyn Lewis on the Waste Water Treatment Plant side of Route 861.

Resolution 05-2021 CDBG Grant Funding:

Motion, second, carried with unanimous vote to adopt Resolution 05-2021 to apply for CDBG grant funding for the waterline replacement from the water tank behind the Borough Building to Monterey Rd./ Chestnut St.

WWTP & Collection system Upgrade Project

Motion, second, carried to proceed with sub-division mapping Eric Cicciarelli property.

Fairgrounds Water Tank Re-Painting

Low bids were \$72,000 & \$77,000 for both parts of project and \$5,000 = \$155,000 total. Motion, second, carried award both interior and exterior painting to low bidder, sub-contract inspection to third party. Kyle will email Jim G./ RBMA Atty. to get DCED project financing requirements.

PennVEST Lead Line Replacement Project

Additional PennVEST plan requirements adding to project budget. Engineering through 2021/07/31 is \$9,046, usually \$5,000-\$6,000. Members asked Kyle to find out if can be covered under project funding.

Correspondence

Customer Letter Received

Motion, second, carried unanimously approve draft letter of response to Mrs. Gilhousen.

East Brady Water Tank – DEP Fence

Email received from Susan/ East Brady Borough- DEP wants a fence around the water tank. Motion, second, carried to ask East Brady to get a quote from Penn Fencing for a fence around the entire area to enclose water tank, pump house, generator, etc. with access for both municipalities.

Letter of opposition to SB 597

Draft letter of opposition to SB 597 in its current form emailed from engineer. Motion, second, carried send letter from Rimersburg Borough Municipal Authority.

Additional Correspondence

General consensus in favor send following letters:

- I. M&C Realty past upgrade deadline to Head Start, etc., contact Frank to prevent disconnection of service.
- II. Sligo and Rimersburg Hose Cos., Baker St. fire hydrant experiencing repair issues due to excessive force, encouraging proper training for all users.
- III. Rimersburg Hose Co. regarding unauthorized use of Reigel School Rd. fire hydrant causing various issues throughout the system.
- IV. East Brady Borough with concerns over late notice for Boil Water Advisory, copy to Rick Kirby/ DEP.

New Business

Master Pits for Shared Private Line Groups:

Leak discovered and repaired in Baker St. meter pit monitoring Long Lane East group shared water line (6 customers) –

- I. every mention of meter pit found during quick review of Water Rules & Regs. states meter pits are customer owned, meters are Authority owned.
- II. Customers have never been notified master meter pit is customer owned. No notification requirement of ownership seen in Rules, may be considerate in this situation.

III. Propose writing letter to all master meter pit customers notifying them of their master meter pit, line between curb stop to meter pit ownership and maintenance responsibility and Authority or Borough absorb cost of leak and repair this time only.

General consensus reached to absorb cost of leak and repair this time only; charge customers for water loss per Rules & Regulations, send letter to customers of each group notifying of master meter pit ownership.

PennDOT Meeting:

PennDOT, in response to the letter from the Borough, meeting at 9:00 a.m. on Wed., Aug. 25, 2021, Borough Building to review concerns about curbing, storm drains, and paving project planned for Main St. All interested are invited to attend. Concerns were raised about portions of Main St. Fire flow Project and timelines.

Patty will attend the Sept. 20, 2020 meeting of Borough Council.

Adjournment

Wednesday, Sept. 1, 2021 | 6:30 p.m., is the next regularly scheduled meeting of the Rimersburg Borough Municipal Authority at the Rimersburg Borough Building.

Motioned, seconded, and carried unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 8:31 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Dana L. Solida
Borough Secretary