

**DEER CREEK DRAINAGE BASIN AUTHORITY**

**Regular Meeting**

**January 23, 2023**

The Regular Meeting of the Deer Creek Drainage Basin Authority was held at 7:00 p.m. at the Authority office located at 945 Little Deer Creek Road, Russellton, Pennsylvania and via Zoom.

**Call Meeting to Order**

Mr. Higgins called the meeting to order and asked Mrs. Biery to call the roll. Board members present: Mr. Higgins, Mr. Drischler, Mr. Simonetti, Mr. Stello, Mr. Parks, Mr. Plesh and Mrs. Pastura. Board members absent: Mrs. DeLuca and Mrs. Krally. Also present: Mr. Schmitt, Mr. Sprung, Mr. Brown, and Mrs. Biery. Absent: Mr. Vancheri.

**Reading and Approval of Minutes**

Mr. Higgins asked the Board to review the minutes for the Regular Meeting on December 19, 2022.

MOTION was made by Mr. Plesh and seconded by Mrs. Pastura to approve the minutes of the December 19, 2022 Regular Meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

**Treasurer's Report**

The following Tap and Assessment payments were received since the last Regular Meeting:

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| Ruth Galuska | 5 Deer St | Tap | \$100.00 |
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Of this amount, \$65.00 will be transferred to the Capital Improvement Fund and \$35.00 will be transferred to the Preventive Maintenance Fund.

MOTION was made by Mr. Simonetti and seconded by Mr. Drischler to approve the Treasurer's report and the paid bills for the month of December 2022. Motion carried unanimously.

**Solicitor's Report**

*Executive Session*

MOTION was made by Mrs. Pastura and seconded by Mr. Drischler to move the meeting into Executive Session at 7:12 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

The meeting was reconvened at 7:16 p.m. where the Board discussed personnel issues.

**Engineer's Report**

*Project Updates*

Mr. Schmitt reported on the Authority parking lot repaving project. A. Folino Construction is agreeable to make recommended repairs in the spring.

Mr. Schmitt also reported on the inflow and infiltration inflow issue. Although there have been some significant storms, there were no bypasses as work was done to alleviate any further problems. Also, SCADA is now in place connecting the Rich Hill Pump Station flow meter readings with AVJSA. This technology allows for monitoring the flows at this pump station remotely.

Mr. Schmitt continued with a report on Hampshire Estates Treatment Plant. Approvals for the Erosion & Sedimentation plans have not yet been obtained. Summer construction is anticipated.

Mr. Sprung reported on a zoom meeting with Richland Township representatives, Mr. Sprung and Mrs. Biery of DCDBA. Mr. Sprung reported on the discussions regarding excess flow from Richland Township. Richland Township will be installing flow meters in March 2023 to identify some of the areas with higher flows and manhole inspections will be performed and repairs will be made where necessary. The results of the flow monitoring will help determine whether there is a need for CCTV of the sewer lines. The next meeting will be held in April where the first flow data reports will be shared.

Mr. Schmitt asked Mrs. Biery to discuss the quote for repair of the Muffin Monster at the Rich Hill Pump Station as an alternative to replacing the dimminutor. Even though the repairs are below the bid threshold, Mr. Schmitt and Mr. Brown felt that additional quotes should be obtained.

**Manager's Report**

Mrs. Biery asked that the Statements of Financial Interest which were included in the meeting packet be completed by the board members and, if possible, returned at next month's meeting.

Mrs. Biery informed the Board of a Board Member Training Seminar being held by the Pennsylvania Municipal Authorities Association and asked that anyone interested in attending let her know and she would register them.

**Chairperson's Report**

Mr. Higgins had nothing to report.

**Old Business**

None.

**New Business**

None.

**Open Meeting to Public**

There were no members of the public in attendance.

**Supplemental Meeting**

MOTION was made by Mr. Drischler and seconded by Mr. Simonetti to cancel the Supplemental Meeting scheduled for January 23, 2023. Motion carried unanimously.

**Adjournment**

MOTION was made by Mrs. Pastura and seconded by Mr. Drischler to adjourn the meeting at 7:30 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted:

Read and Approved:

2-20-23

