

DEER CREEK DRAINAGE BASIN AUTHORITY

Regular Meeting

June 15, 2020

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.

Call Meeting to Order and Roll Call

Mr. Esposito called the meeting to order and asked Mrs. Biery to call the roll. Board Members present: Mr. Plesh, Mrs. DeLuca, Mr. Simonetti, Mr. Coluccio, Mrs. Krally, Mr. Esposito and Mr. Higgins. Absent: Mr. Drischler and Mr. Trocki. Also present: Mr. Schmitt and Mrs. Biery. Mr. Brown was in attendance remotely.

Reading and Approval of Minutes

Mr. Esposito asked the Board to review the minutes from the May 18, 2020 Regular Meeting.

MOTION was made by Mr. Plesh and seconded by Mr. Coluccio to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting held on May 18, 2020 with typographical correction. Motion carried unanimously.

Solicitor's Report

Mr. Brown reported that there have been no new developments with regard to the AVJSA expansion project. When there are new developments, a construction meeting will be scheduled. He also noted that there is a flow exceedance amendment between DCDBA and AVJSA that is being negotiated.

Executive Session

MOTION was made by Mr. Coluccio and seconded by Mrs. Krally to move the meeting into Executive Session at 7:03 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

The meeting was reconvened at 7:18 p.m. Mr. Esposito said the Executive Session concerned a personnel matter.

Accountant's Report

In Mr. Vancheri's absence, Mr. Esposito gave a brief explanation based on an e-mail he received from Mr. Vancheri regarding his June report. He said Mr. Vancheri will review this month's report along with the July report at the July Regular Meeting.

Treasurer's Report

Mrs. Krally presented the Treasurer's Report. In the month of May 2020 the following tap fee payment was received.

Daniel and Amber Becker	150 Campbell Drive	2,000.00
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Of this payment \$1,300.00 will be transferred to the Capital Improvement Fund and \$700.00 will be transferred to the Preventative Maintenance Fund.

MOTION was made by Mr. Plesh and seconded by Mr. Higgins to approve the Treasurer's Report and paid bills for the month of May 2020. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Esposito noted that the Authority has received reimbursement from its insurance carrier in the amount of \$13,079 for legal fees expended in the Cuomo lawsuit.

Engineer's Report

Flow Meter Presentation

Mr. Schmitt introduced Alison St. Clair, who prepared the Authority's flow model from the data collected by Drnach Environmental from 27 meters over 2017 and 2018. The flows in the system can now be duplicated by the model. A digital rain gauge has been installed at the Rich Hill Pump Station that will record the amount of rain as well as the intensity of the storm event. Ms. St. Clair presented the model and conclusions regarding the Authority's system to the Board. These tools will allow the Authority to identify problems and their causes in the system. It can also be used to determine if new development in an area might impact capacity. The interceptors have been modeled and the remainder of the system can be added over time. She and Mr. Schmitt pointed out areas near the Deer Lakes High School, Deer Park and the bowling alley, which are connected to the Deer Creek interceptor, are contributing to infiltration in the system. Mr. Schmitt said that, based upon the results of the flow model analysis, the system is capable of handling the two year 24 hour storm, so an equalization tank will not be necessary. A simpler and less expensive solution can be utilized to address the system's occasional overflows.

The Fields at Hartwood Meadows

There have been overflows at the Hartwood Pump Station under extreme conditions. The lines in this area and the pumps at the station should be capable of handling the additional flow, however the wet well at the Hartwood Pump Station may need to be upsized.

Engineer's Annual Report

Mr. Schmitt reviewed the Engineer's Annual Report. Given the results of the flow modeling, page 16 will be revised and the revised report will be distributed at the July 20th Regular Meeting.

Hampshire Estates Tap Fee

Based on an \$890,000 treatment plant project cost, Mr. Esposito asked that the Board adopt a \$2,500 per EDU tap fee.

MOTION made by Mr. Plesh and seconded by Mr. Simonetti to establish the Hampshire Estates tap in fee at \$2,500 per EDU. Motion carried unanimously.

Manager's Report

Resolution 2020-3 for PA Small Water and Sewer Grant Application

Mr. Esposito asked that the Board adopt Resolution 2020-3 for the PA Small Water and Sewer Grant application for \$425,000 to be used for the Saxonburg Blvd./East Little Pine Creek sanitary sewer extension project, which the Board agrees to contribute \$75,000 (15% of \$500,000).

**DEER CREEK DRAINAGE BASIN AUTHORITY
RESOLUTION NO. 2020-3**

Be it RESOLVED, that the Deer Creek Drainage Basin Authority of Allegheny County ("Applicant") hereby request a PA Small Water and Sewer Program grant of \$425,000.00 from the Commonwealth Financing Authority to be used for the Saxonburg Blvd Sanitary Sewer Extension.

Be it FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Applicant does hereby designate Lynn Biery, Manager, as the official to execute all documents and agreements between the Deer Creek Drainage Basin Authority and the Commonwealth Financing Authority to facilitate and assist in obtaining the requested grant.

I, Paula Krally, duly qualified Secretary of the Deer Creek Drainage Basin Authority, Allegheny County, PA, hereby certify that the forgoing is a true and correct copy of a Resolution duly adopted by a majority vote of the Deer Creek Drainage Basin Authority at a regular meeting held June 15, 2020 and said Resolution has been recorded in the Minutes of the Deer Creek Drainage Basin Authority and remains in effect as of this date.

IN WITNESS THEREOF, I affix my hand and attach the seal of the Deer Creek Drainage Basin Authority this 15th day of June, 2020.

Deer Creek Drainage Basin Authority
Allegheny County

Secretary

MOTION made by Mr. Higgins and seconded by Mr. Coluccio to approve Resolution 2020-3 for PA Small Water and Sewer Grant Application for Saxonburg Blvd/East Little Pine Creek Extension. Motion carried unanimously.

The Authorities 78th Annual Conference & Trade Show

Mrs. Biery informed the Board that The Authorities Conference & Trade Show is August 30 – September 2, 2020 in Wormleysburg, PA. She asked the Board to let her know if there is interest in attending.

Chairperson's Report

Mr. Esposito had nothing to report.

Supplemental Meeting

MOTION was made by Mr. Plesh and seconded by Mrs. Krally to cancel the Supplemental Meeting scheduled for June 22, 2020. Motion carried unanimously.

Adjournment

MOTION was made by Mr. Coluccio and seconded by Mrs. DeLuca to adjourn the meeting at 8:29 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted:

Read and Approved:

7-20-20



A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to be "Mrs. DeLuca", is written over a horizontal line.