

DEER CREEK DRAINAGE BASIN AUTHORITY

Regular Meeting

June 20, 2022

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. Plesh, Mrs. DeLuca, Mr. Simonetti, Mr. Drischler, Mrs. Krally, Mrs. Pastura, Mr. Parks, and Mr. Higgins. Also present: Mr. Schmitt, Mr. Sprung, Mr. Brown, and Mrs. Biery. Absent: Mr. Vancheri.

Flag Salute

The Board rose and recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

Presentation

Brightly Software Inc. made a presentation of their Asset Management Software to the board.

Reading and Approval of Minutes

Mr. Higgins asked the Board to review the minutes for the Regular Meeting on May 16, 2022. Mr. Brown requested Dennis Watson and James Southworth be listed as attending.

MOTION was made by Mr. Plesh and seconded by Mr. DRISCHLER to approve the minutes of the May 16, 2022, Regular Meeting as revised. Motion carried unanimously.

Treasurer's Report

There were no Tap or Assessment payments received since the last Regular Meeting.

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

Solicitor's Report

Executive Session

MOTION was made by Mr. Plesh and seconded by Mrs. Pastura to move the meeting into Executive Session at 7:35 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

The meeting was reconvened at 7:41 p.m. where the Board discussed pending legal and personnel issues.

Hampshire Estates

Mr. Brown presented the Developer's Agreement proposed by Copam Properties, Inc. granting a fee interest in property necessary for the treatment plant, convey a corrected deed, dedicate easements, and transfer existing lines to the Authority. The value of the conveyances would be converted to the value of 36 taps purchased by Copam Properties, Inc. Copam construction will begin when the easements and corrective deed are delivered.

MOTION was made by Mrs. Pastura and seconded by Mr. Drischler to approve the Hampshire Estates Developer Agreement. Motion carried unanimously.

Engineer's Report

Project Updates

Mr. Schmitt reported the parking lot paving project received no bids. It will be put out for bid again.

MOTION was made by Mr. Drischler and seconded by Mrs. Pastura to approve the Re-Advertisement of the Paving Project. Motion carried unanimously

Mr. Schmitt reported the Hampshire Estates Sewage Treatment Plant project received comments from the Department of Environmental Protection. Response to those comments will be made and authorization is expected with a late July start to the project.

Mr. Schmitt continued his report with an update on the Rich Hill Pump Station Diminutor project which is waiting on equipment to begin.

Mr. Schmitt reported on the Force Main Project. Comments were received from the Conservation District regarding grouting in the old line. Leaving the old line without grouting was recommended.

Mr. Sprung reported on the inspection of the main line interceptors at Little Deer Creek and Deer Creek. Twenty-six manholes were found needing routine maintenance by Authority personnel. Forty-seven manholes were found with significant water leakage. Advance Technology was contacted to possibly make repairs. During a demonstration in Murrysville, they presented a very durable full lining of the manhole from top to bottom, with a ten-year warranty. It was suggested that the steps be removed from the manholes for safety.

MOTION was made by Mr. Plesh and seconded by Mr. Simonetti to approve the Advanced Rehabilitation Technology – Manhole Lining Project contract. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Sprung asked the Board's approval for RedZone Robotics to conduct a video inspection of 72,000 feet of terra cotta sewer lines in Deer Park, Rich Hill, Fawn Haven, and Rural Ridge areas.

MOTION was made by Mr. Plesh and seconded by Mr. Drischler to approve the Sewer Inspection Condition Assessment contract. Motion carried unanimously.

Manager's Report

Mrs. Biery reinforced the need for the Brightly/Dude Solutions Asset Management Software and alerted the Board of a possible upgrade of two of the iPhones currently held by personnel.

MOTION was made by Mr. Drischler and seconded by Mrs. Krally to approve the Brightly/Dude Solutions Asset Management Software contract pending the approval of a Sourcewell discount and a letter provided by Brightly that acknowledges potential termination on an annual basis by Deer Creek Drainage Basin Authority. Motion carried unanimously.

Chairperson's Report

MOTION was made by Mr. Plesh and seconded by Mrs. Krally to approve the manager's compensation package retroactive to January 1, 2022 based on the Performance review discussed in Executive Session. Motion carried unanimously.

Old Business

Mrs. Pastura reminded the members of the Pennsylvania Municipal Authorities Association Conference (PMAA) being held September 11 through September 14, 2022 in Erie, PA.

New Business

None.

Supplemental Meeting

MOTION was made by Mrs. Pastura and seconded by Mr. Simonetti to cancel the Supplemental Meeting scheduled for June 27, 2022. Motion carried unanimously.

Adjournment

MOTION was made by Mrs. Krally and seconded by Mrs. Pastura to adjourn the meeting at 8:25 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted:

Read and Approved:

7-18-22

