

SPRING-BENNER-WALKER JOINT AUTHORITY

REGULAR MEETING

September 8, 2014

ATTENDANCE:

AUTHORITY MEMBERS:

Spring	Gregg Heny Ted Onufrak Dondi Smeltzer
Benner	Dan Hoffman William Hughes Timothy Miller
Walker	Dennis McDowell Joseph Swanderski

GUESTS: None Present

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR: N. Warren Miller

CONSULTING SOLICITOR: Robert Mix, Esq.

EMPLOYEES: Tasha Dutton

CALL TO ORDER:

The September 8, 2014, Regular Meeting of the Spring-Benner-Walker Joint Authority was called to order at 7:00 P.M. by Timothy Miller, Chairman. Mr. T. Miller thanked everyone for attending and stated that the meeting would be recorded for transcription.

ROLL CALL:

William Hughes, Secretary, took Roll Call, recording eight members present. Mr. Scott was absent. Mr. T. Miller, Chairman, noted that with a quorum present, the Spring-Benner-Walker Joint Authority was permitted to conduct business under the laws of Pennsylvania.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Mr. T. Miller, Chairman, led the Board members and Employees in the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES:

Mr. Heny moved, seconded by Mr. Swanderski to approve the Minutes of the August 25, 2014 Regular Meeting as presented. 8 ayes, 0 nays, 1 absent. The motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE:

Benner Township Supervisors – We received a letter from Benner Township’s Chairman, David Wise, regarding public sewer to the Shiloh Road area. Mr. Wise requested the Authority’s assistance in planning sewer service to the Gerald Clair and Gerald Rogers properties located within the Shiloh Road Area. Mr. T. Miller expressed his desire to assist the Township in this planning process. Mr. Hoffman stated that Mr. Wise’s letter is not specific; therefore, it is unclear what information they are trying to obtain. Mr. Onufrak recommended the property owners subdivide the large parcels of land into smaller parcels for more detailed planning to help with estimates. There was also concern expressed that public agencies were being asked to complete the planning ground work for a private developer to extend public sewer service.

In his letter Chairman Wise also indicated that the property owners have been approached by interested parties; however, all decline due to the cost of installing sewer. Mr. Smeltzer reminded everyone that the developer can be reimbursed for installation costs once others connect to the sewer lines they installed. Mr. W. Miller added that this was PA Act 57 reimbursement and it has a ten (10) year life; however, it can be renewed. This legislation was created for development situations like this.

After a long discussion the Board requested that a draft letter be prepared and circulated among Board members. Once finalized, the letter will then be forwarded to the Supervisors of Benner Township, which will include comments and cost estimates to help them assist in providing sewer service to the Shiloh Road area properties of Gerald Clair and Gerald Rogers, as they requested.

PA Department of General Services (DGS) – We received a notice from Joyce Conrad of the DGS stating our Authority is approved to participate in the Federal Surplus Property Program through August 29, 2017. This approval process is required every three (3) years.

APPROVAL OF PAYMENTS:

Approval of Requisitions:

Revenue Fund Requisition 2012-40 – Mr. T. Miller asked if there were any questions regarding the presentation of Revenue Fund Requisition #2012-40.

Mr. Hughes referenced the payment to Eby Paving in the amount of \$325.60 for 5 ½ Tons of 19mm 0-.03 top. Mr. W. Miller informed the Board that this was used in the preparation of Spring Township's paving project that consisted of Mack Avenue, Jodon Avenue and West Street in Pleasant Gap. **Mr. McDowell moved, seconded by Mr. Swanderski to approve Revenue Requisition 2012-40 payable to SBWJA in the amount of \$31,991.93.** 8 ayes, 0 nays, 1 absent. **The motion carried.**

GUESTS: There were no Guests present for the meeting.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

Musser Subdivision – Mr. W. Miller informed the Board that he recently met with Tom Bowes, PA licensed SEO regarding the Musser Subdivision along Feidler Road within Spring Township, just off of Weaver Hill Road. Mr. Bowes has been hired by the developer, Joseph Musser, to propose a sewer system solution that won't add additional levels of Nitrites/Nitrates to the soil so the development of this land may proceed. Mr. Bowes discussed the ORENCO Step System that would consist of a septic tank being used for pretreatment which would then convey the flow through a low pressurized system to our closest sewer main. Mr. Bowes will continue planning and verifying his findings. Mr. W. Miller suggested Mr. Bowes contact the Township or their SEO to inquire about the findings of their Septage Management Plan in this area this past summer. These inspections are meant to evaluate on-lot systems to help determine future planning of public sewer extensions where needed. Mr. W. Miller added any plan developed for Mr. Musser's subdivision would not address any existing on-lot systems in this area.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT:

Yeagles's Mini-Storage Sewer Relocation Agreement – Mr. Mix reported that he and Mr. W. Miller are working with Nittany Engineering on a sewer relocation agreement between SBWJA and Yeagle's Mini-Storage located in the Penn Eagle Industrial Park. The owners of the storage facility are installing additional storage units; therefore, our sewer main line must be relocated to accommodate their plans.

OLD BUSINESS:

MuniLink – Mr. Hoffman asked when the MuniLink software installation will begin. Mr. W. Miller stated that nothing was scheduled at this time. The Board requested the installation begin as soon as possible.

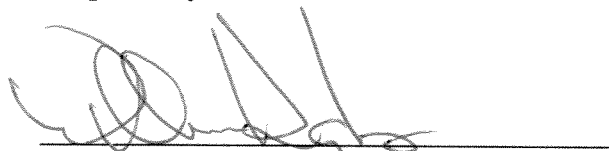
Scada System – Mr. W. Miller reminded everyone that the Authority will need to upgrade the current Scada System by the end of the year which will cost approximately \$15,000. The system must be upgraded due to Microsoft no longer supporting Windows XP which is what our current system runs on.

NEW BUSINESS: There was no New Business presented for discussion.

ADJOURNMENT:

Mr. Heny moved, seconded by Mr. Onufrak to adjourn the meeting at 7:53 p.m. 8 ayes, 0 nays, 1 absent. The motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,



William Hughes, Secretary



Tasha L. Dutton, Recording Secretary

CC: Benner Township _____
Spring Township _____
Walker Township _____