

SPRING-BENNER-WALKER JOINT AUTHORITY

REGULAR MEETING

January 9, 2017

ATTENDANCE:

AUTHORITY MEMBERS:

Spring	Joseph Galbraith Gregg Heny Chris McMurtrie Dondi Smeltzer
Benner	Dan Hoffman William Hughes Timothy Miller
Walker	Dennis McDowell

GUEST: John Kostas

CONSULTING ENGINEER: Andy Johnson, P.E.

CONSULTING SOLICITOR: Robert Mix, Esq.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR: N. Warren Miller

EMPLOYEES: Tasha Dutton & Kelly Gill

CALL TO ORDER:

The January 9, 2017, 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. Onufrak 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, Employees and Guests in the Pledge of Allegiance.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS: Mr. T. Miller appointed Robert A. Mix, Temporary Chairman, to conduct the election of officers for 2017. Mr. Mix opened the nominations. **Mr. McDowell moved, seconded by Mr. Heny to retain the same officers from the previous year.** 8 ayes, 0 nays, 1 absent. **The motion carried. Attached is a list of Officers for 2017 that is made a part of these official Minutes.**

Retaining Professional Services for 2017 – Mr. Hughes moved, seconded by Mr. Smeltzer to retain Solicitor – Lee, Green & Reiter. 8 ayes, 0 nays, 1 absent. **The motion carried.** Mr. T. Miller thanked Mr. Mix for his exceptional legal services.

Retaining Professional Services for 2017 – Mr. Hughes moved, seconded by Mr. Smeltzer to retain Consulting Engineer – Gwin Dobson & Foreman. 8 ayes, 0 nays, 1 absent. **The motion carried.** Mr. T. Miller also thanked Mr. Johnson for his exceptional engineering services.

Retaining Professional Services for 2017- Mr. Hughes moved, seconded by Mr. Smeltzer to retain Accountant – Baker Tilly Virchow Krause, LLP (formerly known as Parente Beard). 8 ayes, 0 nays, 1 absent. **The motion carried.**

APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES:

Mr. Galbraith moved, seconded by Mr. McMurtrie to approve the Minutes of the December 12, 2016 Regular Meeting as presented. 8 ayes, 0 nays, 1 absent. **The motion carried.**

CORRESPONDENCE:

Delafield, McGee & Jones, P.C. – We received a letter from Daniel McGee indicating his client, Joseph D. Musser, was not interested in reserving 12 EDUs of sewer capacity for the Musser Hill Subdivision in Spring Township. Mr. W. Miller indicated that Mr. Musser is still moving forward with the project; however, he feels that it is not necessary for him to reserve the capacity at this time. The developer will be meeting with the gas company to discuss the crossing of three (3) large high pressure transmission gas lines for this project.

Glantz, Johnson & Associates – We received a letter from Louis Glantz requesting a meeting to discuss the sewer easement for the Karl F. Hosterman and Eric L. Brooks (Centre Communications) property. Mr. Brooks, Mr. Glantz and Mr. W. Miller attended a meeting at the Authority office on 1/4/2017 to discuss this matter. Mr. Brooks and Mr. Hosterman's concerns were addressed; therefore, the right-of-way was executed and will be recorded. Mr. W. Miller indicated that all outstanding easements needed to perform maintenance of the sewer lines within our sewer system have been obtained.

APPROVAL OF PAYMENTS:

Approval of Requisitions:

Revenue Fund Requisition 2012-92 – Mr. T. Miller asked if there were any questions regarding the presentation of Revenue Fund Requisition #2012-92. **Mr. Hughes moved, seconded by Mr. McDowell to approve Revenue Requisition 2012-92 payable to SBWJA in the amount of \$287,947.70.** 8 ayes, 0 nays, 1 absent. **The motion carried.**

GUESTS:

John Kostas - Mr. Kostas had nothing to bring to the SBWJA Board.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

Sunset West/P.A.M.P. Sewer Lateral – Mr. W. Miller spoke with Harry Eby following the December 12, 2016 meeting to discuss his plans on connecting his newly constructed shed to the public sewer. Mr. Eby indicated that he will be connecting his shed to the existing sewer lateral that serves Sunset West Restaurant. TM Perryman Excavation is installing the sewer lateral, which should be ready for a final inspection on 1/10/2017.

Bellefonte Borough – A review of the Borough Council's meeting minutes from November 21, 2016 indicated Bellefonte's Wastewater Treatment Plant produced excess nitrogen and phosphorous credits which were all sold. Mr. Johnson and Mr. Balliet informed Mr. W. Miller they reviewed DEP's records, which indicated Bellefonte was approved to sell 6,318 nitrogen credits and 749 phosphorus credits for 2015 – 2016; however, as of November 10, 2016 they had not sold any of these credits. It was noted that our 4th quarter 2016 bill should reflect an income credit for the sale of these nutrient credits.

2017 Ford F-550 – The 2017 Ford F-550 was picked up on 12/21/2017. Mr. W. Miller indicated there is some concern with the noise the PTO pump is making. Bradco Supply is scheduled to inspect the noise on 1/10/2017.

Shiloh Road - The Board reviewed the draft letter to the Benner Township Supervisors regarding sewer service to the Shiloh Road area. The letter will be signed at tonight's meeting and will be sent to the Supervisors.

Pump Station #7 Upgrades – The pumps for Pump Station #7 were delivered and set the end of December. Mr. W. Miller indicated the discharge manifold and piping is plumbed to the existing force main through the floor, which will be physically connected to the new system on 1/12/2017. SBWJA will pump down the surrounding pump station wet wells around 2:00 a.m. on 1/12/2017, which will allow HRI, Inc. approximately 4 to 4.5 hours to complete their work without the pumps running at Pump Station #7.

Mr. W. Miller also indicated that all exterior building work has been completed with the exception of the rain spouting being installed. It was noted that there was a discrepancy with the size of the new brick that was used because it did not match that of the old building. Mr. Johnson stated that there was a 1/8" difference with the brick block.

HRI, Inc. will also be making plans to have power connected to the new electric panel next week, which will take approximately 1 hour to complete.

The official start-up date for the pump station will be 1/18/2017 and training will be 1/19/2017. Mr. Johnson anticipates SBWJA using the pump station by the end of February.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT:

Retirement Plan – Mr. Mix informed the Board that he did not finish his written opinion regarding the liability of the Board for the Authority's retirement plan. Mr. Mix will have this report completed before the next scheduled Board meeting.

ENGINEER'S REPORT: Mr. Johnson had nothing further to report.

OLD BUSINESS: There was no Old Business presented for discussion.

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

EXECUTIVE SESSION – Mr. T. Miller recessed the Board for an Executive Session at 7:27 p.m. to discuss personnel issues. The meeting reconvened at 7:58 p.m.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Personnel & Community Relations Committee – Mr. Hoffman had nothing to report.

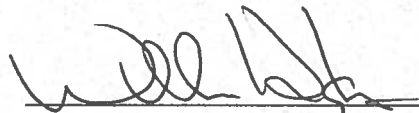
Facilities Committee: Mr. Hughes had nothing to report.

Finance Committee: Mr. Heny had nothing to report.


ADJOURNMENT:

Mr. Hughes moved, seconded by Mr. Heny to adjourn the meeting at 7:59 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 _____

Spring-Benner-Walker Joint Authority

2017 OFFICERS & MEMBERS

OFFICERS:

Timothy Miller –Chairman
Dennis McDowell – Vice Chairman
William Hughes –Secretary
Dondi Smeltzer – Assistant Secretary
Ted Onufrak – Treasurer
Gregg Heny - Assistant Treasurer

MEMBERS:

Dan Hoffman
Joseph Galbraith
Christie McMurtrie