

SPRING-BENNER-WALKER JOINT AUTHORITY

REGULAR MEETING

July 13, 2015

ATTENDANCE:

AUTHORITY MEMBERS:

Spring	Joseph Galbraith Gregg Heny Dondi Smeltzer
Benner	Dan Hoffman William Hughes
Walker	Ted Onufrak

GUESTS: None

CONSULTING SOLICITOR: Robert Mix, Esq.

EMPLOYEES: Tasha Dutton

CALL TO ORDER:

The July 13, 2015, Regular Meeting of the Spring-Benner-Walker Joint Authority was called to order at 7:00 P.M. by William Hughes, Acting Chairman. Mr. Hughes thanked everyone for attending and stated that the meeting would be recorded for transcription.

ROLL CALL:

Dondi Smeltzer, Assistant Secretary, took Roll Call, recording six members present. Mr. McDowell, Mr. T. Miller and Mr. Scott were absent. Mr. Hughes, Acting 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. Hughes, Acting Chairman, led the Board members and Employees in the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES:

Mr. Hughes asked the Board if there were any questions and/or changes to the June 22, 2015 meeting minutes as presented. **Mr. Smeltzer moved, seconded by Mr. Galbraith to approve the Minutes of the June 22, 2015 Regular Meeting as presented.** 6 ayes, 0 nays, 3 absent. **The motion carried.**

CORRESPONDENCE:

Michael Zajaczkowski – We received a letter from Michael Zajaczkowski indicating he would like to appeal to the claims in our June 18, 2015 letter regarding violations noted during a visit to his property. Mr. W. Miller has tried contacting Mr. Zajaczkowski by telephone to discuss the circumstances leading to our determination of the violations. Mrs. Dutton informed the Board that these violations were noted by our maintenance department at the time water meter repairs were being made on behalf of the Benner Township Water Authority. The water plug/concrete was removed and sitting next to a floor drain and the HVAC system was plumbed directly to the grinder pump, which is connected to the sanitary sewer. Mrs. Zajaczkowski contacted our office today to make us aware that her husband works out of town and that is why he has not returned Mr. W. Miller's telephone calls. Mrs. Zajaczkowski stated that she has hired a plumber to make the corrections and that she will call the office for a re-inspection. Mr. Hughes stated that he would like to discuss floor drains with Mr. W. Miller to find a more permanent way to plug floor drains.

Bellefonte Borough – We received a letter from Ralph Stewart in reference to the Borough's Pretreatment regulations and amendments for their Treatment Plant. Further discussion to be held at the July 27, 2015 meeting when Mr. W. Miller returns. Mrs. Dutton stated that Mr. W. Miller commented on the incorrect figures on the Bellefonte Borough WWTP BOD & TSS Surcharge Fees that Mr. Stewart provided and that he was concerned with the Borough properly approving their own program revisions. Mr. Mix indicated that he is researching the approval process for the pretreatment plan, which will be discussed at a future meeting.

APPROVAL OF PAYMENTS:

Approval of Requisitions:

Revenue Fund Requisition 2012-58 – Mr. Onufrak presented the Board with Revenue Requisition 2012-58. **Mr. Heny moved, seconded by Mr. Smeltzer to approve Revenue Requisition 2012-58 payable to SBWJA in the amount of \$84,906.68.** 6 ayes, 0 nays, 3 absent. **The motion carried.**

GUESTS: There were no Guests present for the meeting.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

In Mr. W. Miller's absence, Mrs. Dutton reviewed the Executive Director's Report.

Knoebels Picnic – Mrs. Dutton reminded everyone that the 11th Annual family picnic at Knoebels Amusement Resort is scheduled for Saturday, August 1, 2015. Mrs. Dutton requested that anyone planning on attending to contact her or Mrs. Gill.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT:

Bellefonte Borough – Mr. Mix indicated that he and Mr. W. Miller have been discussing the amendments to the Bellefonte Wastewater Treatment Plant Pretreatment Regulations and if Bellefonte Borough and Bellefonte Borough Authority adopted it correctly. Mr. Mix stated that the findings will be discussed at the July 27, 2015 meeting.

OLD BUSINESS:

Bellefonte Borough – Mr. Galbraith expressed his concerns with having a regularly scheduled Board meeting and a meeting with Bellefonte Borough on August 10, 2015. Mr. Galbraith feels that the meeting will be very lengthy. Mr. Mix stated that the Board may need to conclude the meeting with Bellefonte Borough to complete SBWJA business. Mr. Galbraith will discuss his concerns at the July 27, 2015 meeting.

NEW BUSINESS:

Village of Nittany Glen Phase III-B.1 – The Authority has received a Sewer Extension Agreement from Village of Nittany Glen, L.P. for the construction of The Village of Nittany Glen Phase III-B.1 located in Benner Township. **Mr. Smeltzer moved, seconded by Mr. Hoffman to approve the Sewer Extension Agreement for The Village of Nittany Glen Phase III-B.1 as submitted. 6 ayes, 0 nays, 3 absent. The motion carried.**

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Personnel & Community Relations Committee:

Compensatory Time Off – Mr. Hoffman informed the Board that he spoke with Mr. Mix regarding his legal opinion on allowing the SBWJA employees to continue accruing compensatory time off until the Senate Bill is finalized. Mr. Mix stated that he did not have a problem with allowing compensatory time off.


Facilities Committee: Mr. Hughes had nothing to report.

Finance Committee: Mr. Onufrak had nothing to report.

ADJOURNMENT:

Mr. Hoffman moved, seconded by Mr. Galbraith to adjourn the meeting at 7:15 p.m. 6 ayes, 0 nays, 3 absent. The motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,



William Hughes, Secretary



Tasha L. Dutton, Recording Secretary

CC: Benner Township _____
Spring Township _____
Walker Township _____