SPRING-BENNER-WALKER JOINT AUTHORITY

REGULAR MEETING March 27, 2023

ATTENDANCE:

AUTHORITY MEMBERS: Spring Joseph Galbraith

Richard Kuzemchak

Rodney Maney

Chris McMurtrie

Benner Brian Book

Willis Houser, Jr. William Hughes

Walker Dennis Brown

Dennis McDowell

GUESTS: None present

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR: N. Warren Miller

EMPLOYEES: Will Barton & Kelly Gill

CALL TO ORDER:

The March 27, 2023, Regular Meeting of the Spring-Benner-Walker Joint Authority was called to order at 7:00 P.M. by Dennis McDowell, Chairman. Mr. McDowell thanked everyone for attending and stated that the meeting would be recorded for transcription purposes.

ROLL CALL:

Willis Houser, Jr., Secretary, took Roll Call, recording nine members present. Mr. Galbraith attended the meeting via phone. Mr. McDowell, 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. McDowell, Chairman, led the Board members and Employees in the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES:

Mr. McDowell asked the Board if there were any questions and/or changes to the March 13, 2023 meeting minutes as presented. Mr. McMurtrie moved, seconded by Mr. Brown to approve the Minutes of the March 13, 2023 Regular Meeting as presented. 9 ayes, 0 nays. The motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE:

Pamela Shreffler/714 W. Water Street – We received an email from Pamela Shreffler, owner of 714 W. Water Street, requesting the Authority grant the personal hardship policy for her property. Ms. Shreffler indicated the inside of her residence was a total loss due to her neighbor's home at 720 W. Water Street being destroyed by fire on December 30, 2022. Bellefonte Borough confirmed the water at 714 W. Water Street has been terminated at the curb since the fire on December 30, 2022. Mr. Book moved, seconded by Mr. Hughes to grant Pamela Shreffler the Personal Hardship User Fee Structure for up to six months for her property located at 714 West Water Street, Bellefonte. 9 ayes, 0 nays. The motion carried.

FINANCIAL REPORTS:

Treasurer's Report: Mr. McMurtrie reviewed the financial reports for the period ending 02/28/2023. Mr. McDowell asked if there were any questions regarding the Treasurer's Report. Mr. Kuzemchak moved, seconded by Mr. Maney to approve the Treasurer's Report as presented. 9 ayes, 0 nays. The motion carried.

APPROVAL OF PAYMENTS:

Approval of Requisitions:

Revenue Fund Requisition 2020-70— Mr. McMurtrie presented the Board with Revenue Requisition #2020-70 in the amount of \$54,038.52. Mr. McDowell asked if there were any questions regarding the presentation of Revenue Fund Requisition 2020-70. Mr. Book moved, seconded by Mr. Brown to approve Revenue Requisition 2020-70 payable to SBWJA in the amount of \$54,038.52. 9 ayes, 0 nays. The motion carried. Mr. Book asked if the fraudulent issues surrounding the bank account at Jersey Shore State Bank have been fully resolved and Mrs. Gill stated yes.

GUESTS: There were no Guests present for the meeting.

SYSTEM OVERVIEW:

Mr. McDowell asked Mr. Barton if he had anything to report. Mr. Barton stated he didn't have a system overview to report for this meeting, but had a few other items to mention.

Retaining Wall Project (Parking Lot) – Mr. Barton reported that over the next few weeks the maintenance department will be starting the retaining wall project at the Authority Office Parking Lot.

Pump Station #1A (Springfield) – The upgrades to Pump Station #1A in Springfield Development will also be commencing in the near future.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

Pump Station #6 (Rockview) – Mr. Miller informed the Board that we had to order a new pump for Pump Station #6 (Rockview). The pump lost prime and therefore overheated, resulting in a crack in the volute. The cost of a new volute is approximately \$6,200 and the cost of a new pump is approximately \$8,000. Mr. Miller informed the Board a new pump was ordered and the spare parts from the old pump will be retained for future use.

Tax Parcel No. 12-003-122E – Mr. Miller informed the Board that our Authority currently owns a .14 acre parcel located in Benner Township, directly behind Bellefonte Lanes, which was acquired from Leonard S. Fiore, Inc. (Fiore) in 1984 for a proposed pump station. The area is currently served by gravity sewer so the pump station was never constructed.

Earlier today, Mr. Miller received a telephone call from Fiore indicating they want to complete some improvements and wanted to know what our intentions were with the property. In the past this Authority has returned (transferred) the property to the previous owner if it was no longer needed. Mr. Hughes moved, seconded by Mr. McDowell to transfer .14 acres, known as Tax Parcel Number 12-003-122E, back to the owner contingent upon Mr. Mix's review and acceptance of the transfer. 9 ayes, 0 nays. The motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS:

Dan Hoffman Memorial – Mr. McDowell informed the Board that a memorial, in honor of Dan Hoffman, will be held at the Centre County Courthouse on 03/29/2023 at 3:30 p.m.

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

QUESTIONS FOR THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR: There were no questions asked of the Executive Director.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Personnel & Community Relations Committee: Mr. Galbraith had nothing to report.

Facilities Committee: Mr. Houser had nothing to report.

Financial Committee: Mr. McMurtrie had nothing to report.

ADJOURNMENT:

Mr. Houser moved, seconded by Mr. Maney to adjourn the meeting at 7:11 p.m. 9 ayes, 0 nays. The motion carried.

Willis Houser, Jr., Secretary

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Respectfully submitted,

Kelly J. Gilf, Recording Secretar

Benner Township_____ Spring Township _____ Walker Township

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