

# **SPRING-BENNER-WALKER JOINT AUTHORITY**

## **REGULAR MEETING**

**May 22, 2023**

### **ATTENDANCE:**

<b>AUTHORITY MEMBERS:</b>	<b>Spring</b>	Joseph Galbraith Rodney Maney Chris McMurtrie
	<b>Benner</b>	Brian Book Willis Houser, Jr. William Hughes
	<b>Walker</b>	Dennis Brown Dennis McDowell

**GUESTS:** None present

**EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR:** N. Warren Miller

**EMPLOYEES:** Will Barton & Kelly Gill

### **CALL TO ORDER:**

The May 22, 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:**

Rodney Maney, Assistant Secretary, took Roll Call, recording eight members present. Mr. Houser attended the meeting via phone. Mr. Kuzemchak was excused from the meeting. 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 May 8, 2023 meeting minutes as presented. **Mr. Galbraith moved, seconded by Mr. Maney to approve the Minutes of the May 8, 2023 Regular Meeting as presented.** 8 ayes, 0 nays, 1 absent. **The motion carried.**

**CORRESPONDENCE:**

**Patricia Erb/397 Armagast Road** – We received a letter from Patricia Erb indicating her property located at 397 Armagast Road was destroyed by fire on March 16, 2023. Ms. Erb is requesting the Authority grant the personal hardship policy for the property. **Mr. Hughes moved, seconded by Mr. Maney to grant Patricia Erb the Personal Hardship User Fee Structure for up to six months for her property located at 397 Armagast Road, Bellefonte.** 8 ayes, 0 nays, 1 absent. **The motion carried.**

**PennTerra Engineering, Inc.** - We received an email from Irene Miller Wetzel of PennTerra Engineering, Inc. requesting a letter of intent to provide sewer service for the proposed Elizabeth Dale Townhomes project located on the 700 block of Blanchard Street in Spring Township. This project will consist of four (4) fourplexes, totaling 16 EDUs. *Irene Miller Wetzel was provided with a letter of intent in the amount of 16 EDUs for the proposed project in Spring Township on May 11, 2023.*

**FINANCIAL REPORTS:**

**Treasurer's Report:** Mr. McMurtrie reviewed the financial reports for the period ending 04/30/2023. Mr. McDowell asked if there were any questions regarding the Treasurer's Report. **Mr. Galbraith moved, seconded by Mr. Book to approve the Treasurer's Report as presented.** 8 ayes, 0 nays, 1 absent. **The motion carried.**

**APPROVAL OF PAYMENTS:**

Approval of Requisitions:

**Revenue Fund Requisition 2020-74**– Mr. McMurtrie presented the Board with Revenue Requisition #2020-74 in the amount of \$64,968.05. Mr. McDowell asked if there were any questions regarding the presentation of Revenue Fund Requisition 2020-74. **Mr. Maney moved, seconded by Mr. Galbraith to approve Revenue Requisition 2020-74 payable to SBWJA in the amount of \$64,968.05.** 8 ayes, 0 nays, 1 absent. **The motion carried.**

**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 one item to mention.

**Retaining Wall Project (Parking Lot)** – Mr. Barton reported that the maintenance department will be starting the retaining wall project at the Authority Office Parking Lot the week immediately following Memorial Day.

**EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT:**

**Shiloh Road Sewer Extension Project** – Mr. Miller informed the Board that he has received telephone calls from Charima Young of the Pennsylvania State University who works as the Assistant Vice President for Local Government and Community Relations. Ms. Young was inquiring about the right-of-way across the University Park Airport as it relates to the Shiloh Road Sewer Extension Project. Mr. Miller assured Ms. Young that discussions have been held with Bryan Rodgers of the University Park Airport in regard to the relocation of the existing easement underneath the airport runway along with future expansion plans of the airport. Mr. Miller indicated a similar easement will be needed to extend public water to the residents of Walnut Grove Estates to address the PFAS contamination of their private wells.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

**Rockview Forestry Pump Station #6A Upgrades** – The Board was provided with a copy of the proposal provided by Gwin, Dobson and Foreman (GD&F) for engineering services to design a new wastewater pumping station for the Forestry Pump Station #6A located within the Rockview pump station complex. Mr. Miller reminded the Board that Rockview would be financially responsible for the project and he would ask Mr. Mix to review/create an agreement outlining Rockview's financial responsibilities.

Mr. Miller indicated the proposal has been forwarded to the Authority's contact at Rockview who then forwarded the proposal onto Central Office for further guidance. Mr. Book asked if GD&F can provide our Authority with a written cost estimate and conceptual drawing for the project once they determine what is being proposed for pumps at the facility. Mr. Miller stated yes, we could request a formal cost estimate and drawing as the project continues.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**Sewer Extension Agreement Logan Greene Phase 1B (28 EDUs)** - Mr. Miller indicated the developer for the Logan Greene Subdivision Phase 1B is ready to proceed with a mainline sewer extension. **Mr. Book moved, seconded by Mr. McMurtrie to approve the Sewer Extension Agreement for Logan Greene Phase 1B in the amount of 28 EDUs. 8 ayes, 0 nays, 1 absent. The motion carried.**

**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.

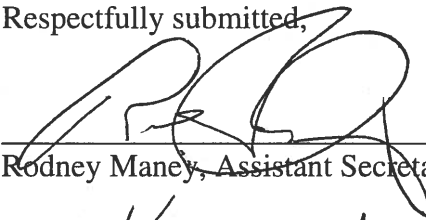
**Facilities Committee:** Mr. Houser had nothing to report.

**Financial Committee:** Mr. McMurtrie had nothing to report.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

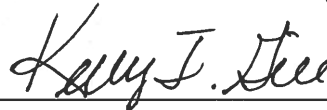
**Mr. Hughes moved, seconded by Mr. McMurtrie to adjourn the meeting at 7:19 p.m. 8 ayes, 0 nays, 1 absent. The motion carried.**

Respectfully submitted,



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Rodney Maney, Assistant Secretary



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Kelly J. Gill, Recording Secretary

CC: Benner Township \_\_\_\_\_  
Spring Township \_\_\_\_\_  
Walker Township \_\_\_\_\_