

SPRING-BENNER-WALKER JOINT AUTHORITY

REGULAR MEETING

June 24, 2024

ATTENDANCE:

AUTHORITY MEMBERS:

Spring	Joseph Galbraith Douglas McKee Christie 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 June 24, 2024, 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 seven members present. Mr. Hughes entered the meeting at 7:02 p.m. and Mr. Maney 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 June 10, 2024 meeting minutes as presented. **Mr. Galbraith moved, seconded by Mr. McMurtrie to approve the Minutes of the June 10, 2024 Regular Meeting as presented.** 7 ayes, 0 nays, 2 absent. **The motion carried.**

CORRESPONDENCE: There was no Correspondence presented for discussion.

FINANCIAL REPORTS:

Treasurer's Report: Mr. McMurtrie reviewed the financial reports for the period ending 05/31/2024. Mr. McDowell asked if there were any questions regarding the Treasurer's Report. **Mr. Book moved, seconded by Mr. McDowell to approve the Treasurer's Report as presented.** 7 ayes, 0 nays, 2 absent. **The motion carried.**

Mr. Hughes entered the meeting at 7:02 p.m.

APPROVAL OF PAYMENTS:

Approval of Requisitions:

Revenue Fund Requisition 2020-99– Mr. McMurtrie presented the Board with Revenue Requisition #2020-99 in the amount of \$69,080.23. Mr. McDowell asked if there were any questions regarding the presentation of Revenue Fund Requisition 2020-99. **Mr. Book moved, seconded by Mr. Hughes to approve Revenue Requisition 2020-99 payable to SBWJA in the amount of \$69,080.23.** 8 ayes, 0 nays, 1 absent. **The motion carried.**

GUESTS: There were no Guests present.

SYSTEM OVERVIEW: Mr. McDowell asked Mr. Barton if he had anything to report.

Shady Lane Estates – Mr. Barton informed the Board that the developer of Shady Lane Estates, located in Walker Township, is proposing to start construction of the sewer facilities in late July, early August. A pre-construction conference is scheduled for later this week.

Pump Station #2 (Jacksonville Road) & Pump Station #3 (Musser Lane) – Mr. Barton informed the Board that the pumps at Pump Station #2 (Jacksonville Road) and Pump Station #3 (Musser Lane) will need some work to handle the issues created by the customer's ongoing use of flushable wipes. Recently the maintenance staff has had to pull the pumps almost daily to remove the flushable wipes that are clogging the pumps. The estimated cost to install new cutter rings and cutter heads at both pump stations is \$4,500.00. Mr. Miller stated this is an ongoing issue that we are experiencing throughout our system. Discussion was held about how our Authority has sent letters to homeowners in the past requesting them not to flush the wipes; however, the use continues.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

Shiloh Road Sewer Extension/Property Appraisals - Mr. Miller stated the proposals for the property appraisals associated with the Shiloh Road Sewer Extension Project are due later this week. To date, the Authority has received two (2) proposals.

SCADA – Mr. Miller informed the Board that Keystone Engineering has been trying to figure out the integration of the new SCADAPack to our current SCADA program; however, they have determined that the old equipment will not communicate with the newer version. As a result, the Authority will need to do a complete upgrade of our SCADA system. Mr. Miller indicated we currently do not have any spare radios if one were to fail; therefore, he has asked Keystone Engineering for a proposal for budgeting purposes.

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

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

QUESTIONS FOR THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR:

State College Regional Airport – Mr. Houser asked if the Authority has noticed an increase in flow from the State College Regional Airport as a result of the expansion which includes a restaurant. Mr. Miller indicated the flow from this part of the airport does not go through Pump Station #12 (Airport) so it would involve pulling a manhole lid or two to see if the flow has increased. Mr. Miller stated he will have the manhole lids pulled and will let Mr. Houser know the outcome.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

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

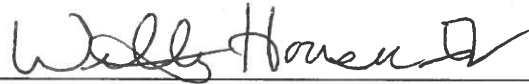
Facilities Committee: Mr. Houser had nothing to report.

Financial Committee: Mr. McMurtrie had nothing to report.

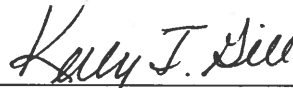
ADJOURNMENT:

Mr. Galbraith moved, seconded by Mr. McMurtrie to adjourn the meeting at 7:37 p.m. 8 ayes, 0 nays, 1 absent. The motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,



Willis Houser, Jr., Secretary



Kelly J. Gill, Recording Secretary

CC: Benner Township _____
Spring Township _____
Walker Township _____