

Lower Bucks County Joint Municipal Authority

Board Meeting Minutes ~ May 23, 2019

The Board Directors of Lower Bucks County Joint Municipal Authority held their monthly meeting on Thursday May 23, 2019 at the Authority's Administration Building located at 7811 New Falls Road, Levittown, Pennsylvania 19055.

CALL TO ORDER

Mr. Glasson, Chairman, called the meeting to order at 7:03 P.M., which was followed by the Pledge of Allegiance, Mr. Glasson asked everyone to take a moment to remember all the men and women that keep us safe every day and to also Colleen Dunn who's Aunt passed away recently.

ROLL CALL

Mrs. Magro took roll call as follows:

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

PRESENT

Michael Sidoti
Cindy Murphy
Joseph Glasson
James Chase
Bobbie DePalo

ABSENT:

John Monahan

ALSO PRESENT

Vijay Rajput, Ph.D., P.E., Managing Director
Nancy Burnell, Meter Department Supervisor
Debbie Magro, Administrative Secretary
Mike Hoelzle, Assistant Superintendent, Water Treatment Plant
Phil Smythe, Field Technician, Lift Station Supervisor
James A. Downey, III, Solicitor

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

There was no Public Participation

APPROVAL OF THE APRIL 2019 ACCOUNTS PAYABLE AS PRESENTED TO THE BOARD DIRECTORS.

MOTION

Mr. Sidoti made a motion, seconded by Mr. Chase, approving the May 2019 Accounts Payable as presented.

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ROLL CALL ON THE MOTION

Mr. Sidoti Aye
Mrs. Murphy Aye
Mr. Glasson Aye
Mr. Chase Aye
Mrs. DePalo Aye
Motion carried unanimously

APPROVAL OF THE BOARD MEETING MINUTES OF APRIL 25, 2019

MOTION

Mrs. DePalo made a motion, seconded by Mr. Sidoti, approving the Board Meeting Minutes of April 25, 2019 as presented.

ROLL CALL ON THE MOTION

Mr. Sidoti Aye
Mrs. Murphy Aye
Mr. Glasson Aye
Mr. Chase Aye
Mrs. DePalo Aye
Motion carried unanimously

MANAGING DIRECTOR'S REPORT

CONTRACT WWTP-359: FURNISH AND INSTALL ONE (1) SLUDGE DEWATERING CENTRIFUGE AT THE WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT

A contract closeout meeting has been scheduled for May 24, 2019. The purpose of this meeting is to review and discuss any remaining contract close out items. The new Sludge Dewatering Centrifuge has been operating satisfactorily.

There is one Sludge Thickening Centrifuge (Alfa Laval) that was installed during 2000-2001. It was determined that the existing Dissolved Air Flotation System is better suited under the prevailing conditions of the Plant for Sludge Thickening application than the Sludge Dewatering Centrifuge. As a result, this Centrifuge has never been used for the sludge thickening process. The Authority was able to utilize the Scroll and Bowl Assembly as a back up to our Sludge Dewatering Centrifuge and it came to the rescue on many occasions during the last 19 years. Since the Authority now has a new Centrifuge and one existing Sludge Dewatering Centrifuge to serve as a backup, there is no beneficial use for the additional Bowl and Scroll. Alfa Laval was contacted to see if they may be interested in buying back the Sludge Thickening Centrifuge. Alfa Laval informed us that they are interested, and have offered \$20,000. Dr. Rajput is going to try and negotiate for a higher price. It is recommended selling this Centrifuge which is already more than 18 years old to Alfa Laval for \$20,000 or higher in as is condition.

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MOTION

Mrs. Murphy made a motion, seconded by Mr. Chase, giving Dr. Rajput permission to sell the Sludge Dewatering Centrifuge to Alfa Laval for \$20,000 or higher in as is condition.

ROLL CALL ON THE MOTION

Mr. Sidoti	Aye
Mrs. Murphy	Aye
Mr. Glasson	Aye
Mr. Chase	Aye
Mrs. DePalo	Aye

Motion carried unanimously

SUMMER HOURS

Dr. Rajput stated that every year summer hours are offered to the clerical and meter reading department employees. Dr. Rajput will be offering summer hours above to the above departments.

CONTRACT WWTP-400: RESTORATION /MAINTENANCE PAVING OF DRIVEWAYS AT WATER AND WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANTS

The Authority is in the process of preparing the scope and specifications for the Restoration/Paving/milling and Overlaying Driveways at the Water and Wastewater Treatment Plants.

CONTRACT WWTP-401: REPLACEMENT OF EXISTING CHLORINATION SYSTEM WITH ULTRAVIOLET (UV) DISINFECTION SYSTEM AT THE WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT (CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECT)

The Authority has started evaluating feasibility and application of different available UV Disinfection Systems for the replacement of the existing Chlorine Disinfection System for the Wastewater Treatment Plant.

CONTRACT WAWTP-402: PAINTING OF FILTER BACK WASH TANK – WATER TREATMENT PLANT

The Authority has started obtaining quotations for the painting of the Elevated Filter Back Wash Steel Tank located at the Water Treatment Plant. We will be starting preparations of the contract documents for invitation of public bidding.

DO PARTNERSHIP FOR THE DELAWARE ESTUARY

The next meeting of DO Partnership for the Delaware Estuary is scheduled for June 18, 2019. The main purpose of this meeting is to discuss Science and Technology pertaining to DO in the Estuary as it relates to Ammonia Nitrogen discharge from the Wastewater Treatment Plants. We are planning to attend this meeting.

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CONTRACT WAWTP-392: INSTALLATION OF CURBED-IN-PLACE SANITARY EWER LINING IN VARIOUS LOCATIONS – PHASE VI

The Authority has scheduled a Project Progress meeting with the Contractor on May 24, 2019.

CONTRACT WWATP-384: REPLACEMENT OF ROOFING SYSTEMS AND ASSOCIATED WORK ON VARIOUS BUILDINGS AT THE WATER AND WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANTS

The Contractor is scheduling additional authorized work under the allowances section of the contract involving the rehabilitation of the Low Duty Pump Station Roof at the Water Treatment Plant and the Mechanics Building Roof at the Wastewater Treatment Plant. The Contractor is continuing to install fasteners, a ridge vent cover and base flashing around the ventilation fans at the LD Davis Building roof.

CONTRACT WWTP-391: FURNISH AND DELIVER THREE (3) GRINDERS FOR THE WASTEWATER PUMP STATIONS

The Contractor has collected the required measurements for the grinders' fabrication. The Contractor is currently fabricating these grinders.

CONTRACT NO. WWTP-396: FURNISH AND SUPPLY STONE DURING 2019-2020 (PARTICIPATION IN THE 2019-2020 BUCKS COUNTY CONSORTIUM HIGHWAY MATERIALS JOINT BID

The Authority has received the required executed contract documents. These documents are being forwarded to Mr. Downey for review.

PROJECT WWTP-190: WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT SCADA SYSTEM UPGRADE

The Authority is continuing the required ongoing upgrade/retrofit of the existing PLCs and SCADA System at the Wastewater Treatment Plant. Installation of level sensors for the Digesters and Flow Equalization Tanks is completed and already integrated with the SCADA System. We are also planning to install a limit switch to switch the existing manual operation of the DAF flight operation to automatic operation.

PROJECT WATP-140: WATER TREATMENT PLANT SCADA SYSTEM UPGRADE

The Authority is continuing the required ongoing upgrade/retrofit of the existing PLCs and SCADA System at the Water Treatment Plant. We have already purchased the required items for upgrading the High Service Pump operations. We are planning to complete this work within the next three weeks.

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2018 WATER QUALITY REPORT

The Authority is in the process of completing the required Water Quality Report for the reporting year of 2018. We are planning to complete this report on or before May 24, 2019.

WATER AND WASTEWATER SYSTEMS

The average daily drinking water supplied for the month of April 2019 was approximately 7.57 MGD. The monthly average effluent flow from the Wastewater Treatment Plant for the month of March 2019 was approximately 110.8 MGD.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT – JAMES A. DOWNEY, III, ESQUIRE

Mr. Downey noted that an Executive Session was held from 6:30 P.M. to approximately 7:00 P.M. during which time personnel matters and litigation were discussed. The following suits were discussed:

Litigation Pending	Court of Common Pleas Bucks County
Case #184885	Case #2018-01802

OLD BUSINESS

There was no Old Business brought before the Board at this time

NEW BUSINESS

Mrs. Murphy stated that she has a conflict with the Authority's June meeting date. After some discussion the Board Directors changed the June Board Meeting from Thursday, June 27th to Monday, June 24th. Mrs. Magro will advertise this change.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

There was no Public Participation.

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ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Chase made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Murphy, to adjourn the Board meeting at 7:40 P.M.
Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted by:


Cynthia Murphy
Secretary

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