

CHALFONT-NEW BRITAIN TOWNSHIP JOINT SEWAGE AUTHORITY

BOARD MEETING MINUTES

February 13, 2018

The semi-monthly meeting of the Chalfont-New Britain Township Joint Sewage Authority was held on Tuesday, February 13, 2018, in the Authority's meeting room.

Present: Joseph Bonner, Chairman; Donald Cameron, Vice Chairman; Timothy Hagey, Assistant Treasurer; Gustave Haun, Treasurer; Lawrence Nuesch, Assistant Secretary; and William Evans, Secretary. Also present were: Joseph Bagley, Authority Solicitor; Thomas Hauser, Superintendent; John Schmidt, Executive Director; and Joseph Nolan, P.E., Authority Engineer.

The Chairman called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

MOTION: It was **MOVED** by Mr. Cameron and **SECONDED** by Mr. Haun to approve the minutes of the meetings of January 9 and January 23, 2018 as distributed to the Board. The Motion was approved 5-0 with Mr. Evans abstaining due to his absence from the January 23 meeting.

PUBLIC COMMENT

No members of the public were present.

REPORTS OF OFFICERS

No reports of officers were presented.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

No Committee reports were presented.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT – John E. Schmidt

Mr. Schmidt presented a sewage capacity approval form for 77 West Peace Valley Road. Mr. Schmidt explained that the proposal is to tie in an existing residence near the intersection of Peace Valley Road and Langhorne Road.

MOTION: It was **MOVED** by Mr. Hagey and **SECONDED** by Mr. Evans to approve sewage capacity for 77 West Peace Valley Road in the amount of 1 EDU. The Motion was unanimously adopted.

Mr. Schmidt called for any input following the holiday banquet. None was provided other than it was enjoyed by all.

Mr. Schmidt discussed two proposed projects in the Northwest corner of New Britain Township. One involves 60 townhouses and a pump station and another would be developed to flow into Pump Station No. 4 of the Authority. Mr. Schmidt further stated that it was in an area of the Township where there were many non-connected homes. Mr. Haun reported that the townhouse project may possibly have been terminated based on zoning. There was a brief discussion

regarding Pump Station No. 4 in the Tower Hill Meadows section of the Township. There may still be a future Facilities Committee meeting regarding Pump Station No. 4.

ENGINEER’S REPORT – Joseph Nolan, P.E.

Mr. Nolan reported that a progress meeting will take place this Thursday on the Phase III Project. Mr. Nolan reported that the Project is close to being completed. The Project will be extended a couple of months due to the weather to complete seeding and final grading. Also the work on the biosolids building damaged by fire is nearly completed. The final costs are being accounted for and paid up.

Mr. Nolan presented Change Order No. 5 from the Electrical Contractor BSI in the amount of \$7,280.00 representing retrofitting the new conveyor control panel with variable frequency drives in the Solids building and the relocation of some existing conduit and wire.

MOTION: It was **MOVED** by Mr. Cameron and **SECONDED** by Mr. Haun to approve Change Order No. 5 in the amount of \$7,280.00. The Motion was unanimously adopted.

A Board member asked a question about the uniformity of manufacturers of various VFDs at the Authority. Mr. Hauser responded that there are two different types of VFDs based on different phases of the project and contractors hired to construct the different phases. There are Siemens VFDs and Alan Bradley VFDs.

Mr. Nolan next presented Requisition No. 182 for Capital Expenditures in the amount of \$0.

Mr. Nolan next presented Requisition No. 225 for Capital Improvements in the amount of \$104,911.73. Mr. Nolan represented that all of the costs for Requisition No. 225 are related to the Phase III Project.

MOTION: It was **MOVED** by Mr. Haun and **SECONDED** by Mr. Hagey to approve Requisition No. 225 for Capital Improvements in the amount of \$104,911.73. The Motion was unanimously adopted.

SOLICITOR’S REPORT – Joseph Bagley, Esquire

Mr. Bagley had nothing to report.

TREASURER’S REPORT – Gustave Haun, Treasurer

Mr. Haun presented the general operating expenses for the month of \$250,849.20, Requisition No. 182 in the amount of \$0, making the total operating expenses for the month \$250,849.20.

Mr. Haun next presented the previously-approved Requisition No. 225 as well as Loan payments in the amount of \$73,304.25, making the total expenditures for the month \$429,065.18 and he recommended approval.

MOTION: It was **MOVED** by Mr. Haun and **SECONDED** by Mr. Cameron to approve the total expenditures for the month of \$429,065.18. The Motion was unanimously adopted.

Mr. Haun next presented escrow disbursements in the amount of \$215.32.

MOTION: It was **MOVED** by Mr. Haun and **SECONDED** by Mr. Hagey to approve the escrow disbursements for the month of \$215.32. The Motion was unanimously adopted.

A question was asked by the Board about how much more is owed for the Phase III Project. Mr. Nolan reported that for the electrical contractor out of a total bid of approximately \$1.7 million, approximately \$1.68 million had been paid to date not including amounts held in retainage by the Authority (approximately \$84,000.00). With regard to the general contractor, out of an approximately \$4 million contract, approximately \$3.8 million has been paid to date.

The Chairman called for agenda items for the February 27 meeting. None were proposed.

MOTION: It was **MOVED** by Mr. Haun and **SECONDED** by Mr. Hagey to adjourn the meeting. The Motion was unanimously adopted.

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 5:22 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Joseph Bagley, Solicitor
and Recording Secretary