

ROSTRAVER TOWNSHIP SEWAGE AUTHORITY MEETING MINUTES REGULAR MEETING August 23, 2022

The Regular Meeting of August 23, 2022 of the Rostraver Township Sewage Authority was called to order by Chairman, Dennis C. Manown, at 4:00 p.m., in the Rostraver Township Sewage Authority Administration Building, Rostraver Township, PA 15012.

Members present at the Authority as follows: Dennis Manown, Chairman Gary Dilmore, Vice Chairman William Callaway, Secretary Stephen Morgan Ann Scott, Manager Romel Nicholas, Esquire David Coldren, PE, Engineer

Members absent at the Authority as follows: Brian Sokol, Treasurer

Motion 1 – A motion was made by Mr. Calaway to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of July 26, 2022 as presented. Seconded by Mr. Morgan..

Vote: Callaway – Yes Dilmore – Yes Morgan – Yes Manown - Yes Motion Carried

SECRETARY'S REPORT: CITIZENS TO BE HEARD:

The Chairman announced to let the Record show no citizens were present, nor submitted anything in writing.

CORRESPONDENCE, CHAIRMAN'S REPORT and BUSINESS REPORT:

The Pollock Run Operating Account Report was presented for approval.

Pollock Run General Operating Account Report

Motion 2 – A motion was made by Mr. Dilmore to ratify the payments of bills in the amount of \$198,598.72 for August 2022 Seconded by Mr. Callaway.

Vote: Callaway – Yes Dilmore – Yes Morgan – Yes Manown - Yes Motion Carried

Motion 3 - A motion was made by Mr. Callaway to approve the Financial Reports for the month ending July 2022. Seconded by Mr. Morgan.

Vote: Callaway – Yes Dilmore – Yes Morgan – Yes Manown - Yes Motion Carried

ENGINEER'S REPORT: KLH Engineers, Inc.

The written Engineer's Report was submitted by Dave Coldren, PE. A copy of the Monthly Report for July is attached hereto and made part of these minutes.

Mr. Coldren noted, the Board approved the replacement of the conveyor belt at the new Press with an authorized cost of \$103,509. He noted the equipment is being purchased through the Costars Program. Installation of the belt is estimated at approximately \$20,000, upon delivery of the equipment. Shop Drawings are in the final review, once approved equipment will be ordered.

Mr. Coldren noted, the Board had authorized KLH to prepare the plans and specifications for the 2022 Paving Project. He noted the project includes the Administration Offices and the Plant parking areas, including concrete/rebar area near the sludge dumpster and alternative pricing for Pricedale Pump Station and the upgrade of the concrete ramp at the rear door at the Plant. Mr. Coldren noted, bids were due August 23, 2022, however, no one picked up the plans and specifications. He noted, the cost for asphalt has escalate and parking lot paving is cumbersome work.

The Board discussed Mr. Morgan, Board Member, submitting a bid for this paving project. The Solicitor will review PA Authority rules and laws regarding the matter and report back to the Board at a future meeting. It was suggested the Authority put paving project out for bid in early 2023. After discussion, the Board agreed to hold off until January 2023 and requested the engineer to remove the concrete work included in the plans (at the Plant) and obtain phone or written bids for this portion. Consider completing the concrete work in 2022. Mr. Coldren will provide estimates at the next meeting.

Mr. Coldren noted that the Service Study has been completed for the Generator Transfer Switch at the Plant by EPPI. A price has been obtained by IETS-OH based upon the completed Study. The bid was awarded for the Basic Scope Repairs at a cost of \$33,968 at the July Meeting. Mr. Coldren noted, the switch is over 20 years old and the proposal includes a GE Power Break Main Utility Circuit breaker and spare, reducing any interruptions in power at the Plant.

Mr. Coldren noted KLH is reviewing the completed CCTV data in the Clair Manor area of the Township and will be preparing an estimate for repairs and rehabilitation. He noted the Board authorized in July to have a project shelf ready for future grant funding opportunities.

Mr. Coldren noted the Developer for the Willowbrook Golf Course Project will be submitting Final Design Plans to the Township for consideration in September. KLH has prepared Plans to extend the main sewer line and eliminate the Willowbrook Pump Station. He noted the project requires six (6) easements; the Authority has received two (2) as of this date. The project is in the early phases right now, Mr. Coldren noted in order for the Authority to begin work on our project, the developer would need to complete the sewer line extension project for the development.

Mr. Coldren noted KLH is working on plans for the PENNDOT Arnold City Project. KLH & the Manager attended a virtual meeting with PENNDOT to discuss the impacts on the existing sanitary sewer and the required relocations. Authority and KLH to submit required PENNDOT cost sharing forms, resolutions and design drawings.

Mr. Coldren noted, during the meeting, PENNDOT stated reimbursement for the Authority portion of the work completed on the project is capped at Ninety (90%) percent. The Board noted the sewer line in the area was installed in approximately 2008 and is in relatively good shape. The Board requested the Solicitor and Engineer to prepare a letter to PENNDOT regarding the reimbursement percentage. The costs to relocate these lines should be at the expense of PENNDOT, not the Authority.

Motion 4 - A motion was made by Mr. Callaway to approve the Engineer's Report for July 2022 as presented. Seconded by Mr. Dilmore.

Vote: Callaway – Yes Dilmore – Yes Morgan – Yes Manown - Yes Motion Carried

SOLICITOR'S REPORT:

The written Solicitor's Report was presented by Romel Nicholas, Esq. A copy of the Monthly report for August 2022 is attached hereto and made part of these minutes.

Attorney Nicholas noted that he has been working with the Manager regarding the Dye Test and Lateral Inspection fees. A cost justification has been provided to the Board and the matter will be discussed under old business.

Attorney Nicholas noted he had looked into the Security Camera concerns discussed at the previous meeting. He stated, with no audio included in the proposed project, placement of the cameras is the discretion of the Board, keeping privacy in mind.

Attorney Nicholas noted an Executive Session has been scheduled at the end of the meeting regarding various personnel matters.

Motion **5** - A motion was made by Mr. Morgan to approve the Solicitor's Report for July 2022 as presented. Seconded by Mr. Callaway.

Vote: Callaway – Yes Dilmore – Yes Morgan – Yes Manown - Yes Motion Carried

MANAGER'S REPORT:

The written Manager's Report was presented by Ann Scott, Manager, a copy of the report for August 2022 is attached and made part of these minutes.

Ms. Scott noted, the GIS main line sewer system project being completed through PA Rural Water continues, so far approximately 1,000 manholes have been located and inputted into the system.

Ms. Scott noted, the 2021 Audit has been completed, a copy has been provided to the Boad for review.

Motion 6 - A motion was made by Mr. Dilmore to accept the 2021 Annual Aduit as submitted by Mark C. Turnley, CPA. Seconded by Mr. Morgan.

Vote:

Callaway – Yes Dilmore – Yes Morgan – Yes Manown - Yes Motion Carried

Motion **7** - A motion was made by Mr. Morgan to authorize to advertise the 2021 Annual Aduit as presented. Seconded by Mr. Dilmore.

Vote:

Callaway – Yes Dilmore – Yes Morgan – Yes Manown - Yes Motion Carried

Ms. Scott noted, the Authority is in receipt of a bid for the cost for Snow Removal at the Office, Plant and various pump stations. The cost per location varies depending on the size. She noted the Authority paid approximately \$5,000 during the 2022 winter season and requesting the Board consideration for approval.

Motion 8 - A motion was made by Mr. Morgan to accept the bid for snow removal (all buildings) from Kimberly Contracting for the 2022-2025 winter seasons as presented. Seconded by Mr. Dilmore.

Vote:

Callaway – Yes Dilmore – Yes Morgan – Yes Manown - Yes Motion Carried

Motion 9 - A motion was made by Mr. Dilmore to accept the Managers report as presented for August 2022. Seconded by Mr. Callaway.

Vote:

Callaway – Yes Dilmore – Yes Morgan – Yes Manown - Yes Motion Carried

OLD BUSINESS:

NEW BUSINESS:

Ms. Scott noted that PMAA sent out notification of grant monies being made available through the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA); \$214.4 million through the H20 program (projects range from \$500K to \$20M) with 50% match; \$105.6 million in Small Water & Sewer Program (projects range from \$30K to \$500K) with no match. She noted no work can be done on a project prior to the grant award. The Board authorized KLH to begin work on a sewer and manhole rehabilitations project in the Clair Manor area.

Motion 10 - A motion was made by Mr. Callaway to enter into an executive session at 4:40 pm regarding personnel policies and procedures as recommended by the Solicitor. Seconded by Mr. Morgan.

Vote: Callaway – Yes Dilmore – Yes Morgan – Yes Manown - Yes Motion Carried

Motion **11** - A motion was made by Mr. Dilmore to exit the executive session and return to the regular meeting at 5:05 pm. Seconded by Mr. Callaway.

Vote: Callaway – Yes Dilmore – Yes Morgan – Yes Manown - Yes Motion Carried

Motion 12 – A motion was made by Mr. Morgan, Effective Immediately, the Authority will no longer offer paid time off or additional sick leave to any employee due to COVID.. Employees must utilize either vacation or sick days or unpaid time off. Seconded by Mr. Callaway.

Vote:

Callaway – Yes Dilmore – Yes Morgan – Yes Manown - Yes Motion Carried

Motion **13** – A motion was made by Mr. Callaway to deny Jason Beck any additional paid off due to COVID. Seconded by Mr. Morgan

Vote:

Callaway – Yes Dilmore – Yes Morgan – Yes Manown - Yes Motion Carried

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion 14 - A motion was made by Mr. Morgan to adjourn the meeting of August 23, 2022 at 5:10 pm. Seconded by Mr. Callaway.

Vote:

Callaway – Yes Dilmore - Yes Sokol – Yes Morgan – Yes Manown - Yes Motion Carried

So Ordered Meeting Adjourned at 5:10 p.m.

William Callaway, Secretary Stephen Morgan, Assistant Secretary/Treasurer