

MINUTES OF THE 05/18/2022 MEETING

A meeting of Mifflin County Municipal Authority (MCMA) was held at 73 Reserve Lane (Derry Township Office), Lewistown. The meeting was called to order at 1:06 pm.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Eckley, Griffith, Herto, Parker, Pecht, Shirey, Smeltz

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT: Bargo, Garver

BOARD MEMBERS LATE: None

OTHERS PRESENT: Bubb, Castel, Hassinger, Searer, Stoy, Ward

OTHERS ABSENT: None

OTHERS LATE: None

PUBLIC PRESENT: Tony Willard – Kish Insurance

REVIEW of AGENDA:
No changes.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Willard reviewed the MCMA liability insurance renewal with PIRMA for June 2021/2022. The policy liability and deductible coverages were reviewed. Willard advised the Board that physical damage to fire hydrants is not covered. The coverage for fire hydrants has been reviewed in the past and the policy is not cost effective for the Authority. The policy renewal premium increased \$2,818 from the prior year (5%). Hassinger noted the budget estimate was a 6% increase. The total premium for the PIRMA liability renewal for June 2021/2022 is \$57,745. A 3-year cyber security policy approved in 2021 also renews for \$700 annually.

READING OF THE MINUTES:

An Pecht/Parker motion was made to approve the 04/20/22 MCMA meeting minutes. The motion passed 6-0 (Herto abstained).

TREASURER'S REPORT:

The budget report was approved unanimously on a Shirey/Pecht motion.
The voucher report was approved unanimously on a Parker/Griffith motion.

BUSINESS MANAGER'S REPORT:

Hassinger presented her written report.
A Parker/Eckley motion to approve the PIRMA liability insurance renewal for June 2021/2022 and the cyber security policy was unanimously approved.
A Shirey/Eckley motion to approve the addition of an antenna and update hardware options to PO 1202211 updating the total balance from \$39,984.50 to \$40,740.50 was unanimously approved.

WATER PRODUCTION MANAGER'S REPORT:

Castel presented his written report.
An update from the Thadeus Stevens Water & Environmental class tour was provided. The professor and the students had positive feedback on the experience. Recruitment efforts will continue with similar projects.
A grant in the amount of \$15,000 was awarded to the Laurel Creek Filtration Plant through a PCOH grant provided by the *Pennsylvania Department of Health through the Centers for Disease and Prevention (CDC) of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) under Grant NU58DP006467: Using Surveillance Data and Evidence-based Interventions to Improve Oral Health Outcomes in Pennsylvania. This information or content and conclusions are those of the author and should not be construed as the official position or policy of, nor should any endorsements be inferred by CDC, HHS or the U.S. Government.* The grant will be used to purchase a Hach Fluoride Analyzer. The equipment will provide assurance of safe chemical dosing at the earliest point possible. The annual equipment maintenance is estimated at \$3,000. A Smeltz/Griffith motion to approve purchase order 2202050 in the amount of \$17,825.87 was unanimously approved.
A Griffith/Smeltz motion to approve the execution of PA Coalition for Oral Health Grant Agreement was unanimously approved.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

Bubb presented his written report.

A tour of the Hawstone water system was held 5/18/22. MCMA staff and Consulting Engineer advised the system is well maintained. A list of equipment will be generated and CDBG funding will be pursued for costs related to the system transfer.

Bubb gave an update on the S Penn Street, Belleville paving project and the Juniata Street, Lewistown Sheetz parking expansion. There were no issues with either project.

Construction of the new altitude valve is underway at the Belleville tank. Material delivery may impact progress.

The project to update radio communications for all remote sites through the radio tower on Jack's Mountain continues. Bubb reported working with the County and updates to infrastructure options.

ARPA funds may be available through the County and Brown Township for projects. Updates will be provided at the next meeting. The funding is available through 2024.

ENGINEER'S REPORT:

Ward presented his written report.

Ward provided an update on the Valley Street project. The job is moving along slowly due to difficulty with ditch excavation. The completion date may be impacted.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT:

Searer presented his written report.

An update on ongoing legal work related to property easements was provided. No items require action.

Searer supported MCMA Staff with ongoing personnel issues during the month.

OLD BUSINESS:

None

NEW BUSINESS:

A Shirey/Parker motion to approve MCMA Water Revenue Bonds, Series 2021 Construction Fund Requisition 3-2022CF in the amount of \$85,585.75 was unanimously approved.

CORRESPONDENCE:

4/21/22 Correspondence – Martin & Murphy LLC, Policy Exemption
AUTHORITY

A Pecht/Eckley motion to adjourn the meeting at 2:03 pm was unanimously approved.

Attested by:



Barry Bargo
Secretary

