

TOWNSHIP OF FALLS AUTHORITY

REGULAR MEETING

July 25, 2018

The regular monthly meeting of the Township of Falls Authority Board of Directors was held on Wednesday, July 25, 2018, in the Board Room at 557 Lincoln Highway, Fairless Hills, PA, at 7:00 P.M.

Salute to the Flag

Roll Call – Anthony Rosso, Chairperson, James Goodwin, Vice Chairperson was present, Brian Binney, Secretary and William Beier, Treasurer were present and Thomas Miles, Assistant Secretary/Treasurer was absent. Randy Flager and Michael Levin, Authority Solicitors were present, Vanessa Nedrick, Authority Engineer, Timothy Hartman, Executive Director, John Ryba, Operations Manager were present, Megan O’Neill, Business Manager and Tammy McAnulty, Recording Secretary, were present.

Solicitor’s Report on the Executive Session – Mr. Flager reported that the Executive Sessions consisted of various administrative actions as well as potential litigation.

Approve Meeting Minutes for June 27, 2018 Meeting – Mr. Beier made a motion to approve the minutes. Mr. Binney seconded the motion.

Poll of the Board:

Mr. Binney	Yes
Mr. Beier	Yes
Mr. Goodwin	Yes
Mr. Rosso	Yes

Motion Carried 4-0.

Public Comment – Several Falls Township residents serviced by on-lot sewage systems attended the meeting to obtain information on Falls Township Ordinance 2018-3 regulating on-lot sewage systems. Chairman Rosso explained the Township of Falls Authority has been delegated as the authority to administer the ordinance's provisions but has not yet developed a plan. He told attendees that a special public meeting would be convened to lay out a draft plan and obtain public input. Mr. Rosso also said on-lot system owners could expect to receive a letter from the authority shortly advising them of the actions required of them and of the schedule.

Public comment closed.

Solicitor's Report – Nothing further to report.

Engineer's Report –

TOFA Building Center Space Fit Out – Ms. Nedrick stated that the demo permit is pending and awaiting the results of the Engineer's asbestos

investigation.

Relocation of 12" Water Main to Lower Morrisville Road – Ms. Nedrick is requesting payment of the revised June Requisition in the amount of \$7,679.14 for inspection services as well as the July Requisition in the amount of \$801.00 for construction management services and processing payment to BCWSA.

Mr. Beier made a motion to pay the June and July requisitions in the amount of \$8,480.14. Mr. Binney seconded the motion.

Poll of the Board:

Mr. Binney	Yes
Mr. Beier	Yes
Mr. Goodwin	Yes
Mr. Rosso	Yes

Motion Carried 4-0.

New Falls Interconnect Generator – Ms. Nedrick stated that there was a setback due to a failed circuit breaker replacement to the pumps. She is hoping to get the contractor back out by the end of this week or early the following week.

2018 I/I Project – Ms. Nedrick stated that the construction has begun.

New Falls Interconnection Injection Equipment – Ms. Nedrick stated that the training for all the Authority field staff will be on July 27.

Executive Director's Report –

2017 Audit – Mr. Hartman Advised the Board that the auditor had informed him that due to audit rule changes they could not provide the level of assistance to Authority staff that had been provided in the past. As a result, he said that he and Ms. O'Neill contracted the limited services of a local accounting consultant to recommend account changes in line with the auditor's requirements. Mr. Hartman added he hoped a preliminary audit would be available for the August Board meeting.

2019 Budget Preparation – Mr. Hartman told the Board he expects to the first draft 2019 operating budget circulated prior to the August 22 Board meeting. He added that John Ryba, Vanessa Nedrick and he have developed a list of capital improvements for 2019 and that RVE is developing cost estimates for those projects.

Station Maintenance – Mr. Hartman reported that deteriorated brick and masonry had been repaired at the New Falls Interconnect and at the Oxford Valley Pumping Station. He added that the masonry opening around the new garage door installed in the front of the TOFA office building had been filled and coated with a cementitious product and that floor cracks in that same area had been repaired.

Data Integration Pilot – Mr. Hartman reported that file drawer that been taken for scanning and for integration with the TOFA billing system had not yet

been returned.

Water Tank Aeration – Mr. Hartman reported that if the installation of mixers to the remaining two water storage tanks were not enough to mitigate the byproducts of disinfection, adding aeration to the tanks might be an option. He said he had asked Southern Corrosion, the TOFA water tank maintenance contractor, to look into it.

Garment Supply Vendors – Mr. Hartman reported he continues to monitor the performance of Cintas and ALSCO in supporting TOFA's uniform and uniform maintenance needs.

Mr. Ryba stated that the sewer line for the Lincoln Highway project is complete. He also stated that Blough Road portion of the 2018 water main lining is done and BCWSA will be continuing on to Yorkshire Road next.

Mr. Beier inquired about the THM levels being elevated. In response Mr. Ryba stated that he has been monitoring it and he does have some ideas to reduce levels if the levels do not come down.

Review of the Bill List – Mr. Beier made a motion to approve the bills in the amount of \$1,417,827.36. Mr. Rosso seconded the motion.

Poll of the Board:

Mr. Binney	Yes
Mr. Beier	Yes
Mr. Goodwin	Yes

Mr. Rosso Yes

Motion Carried 4-0.

Mr. Beier expressed his dissatisfaction with the increased disposal pricing.

Mr. Binney asked what was happening with 999 W. Trenton Road. Ms. Nedrick stated that there is still money in escrow. She said RVE did assist the Sunoco gas station owner in laying out the design for Penndot.

Board Comment –

Mr. Beier – Mr. Beier thanked everyone for their efforts.

Mr. Binney – No comment

Mr. Goodwin – No comment

Mr. Rosso – No comment

Adjournment – Mr. Rosso made the motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:53 p.m. Next meeting will be held on Wednesday, August 22, 2018 at 7:00 p.m. The Board was unanimously in favor.