# TOWNSHIP OF FALLS AUTHORITY REGULAR MEETING

January 26, 2022

The regular monthly meeting of the Township of Falls Authority Board of Directors was held on Wednesday, January 26, 2022 at 7:01 P.M.

Salute to the Flag

Roll Call – Anthony Rosso, Chairperson, James Goodwin, Vice Chairperson, Brian Binney, Secretary and Thomas Miles, Assistant Secretary/Treasurer were present. William Beier, Treasurer, participated via teleconference. Michael Levin, Authority Solicitor, was present. Vanessa Nedrick, Authority Engineer, and James Bulicki, Authority Engineers, were present. Timothy Hartman, Executive Director, Megan Parmer, Business Manager and Tammy McAnulty, Recording Secretary, were present and John Ryba, Operations Manager, participated via teleconference.

<u>Solicitor's Report on the Executive Session</u> – Mr. Levin reported that Executive Session consisted of various administrative and business matters.

Approve Meeting Minutes for December 15, 2021 Meeting – Mr. Rosso made a motion to approve the minutes for December 15, 2021. Mr. Miles seconded the motion.

#### Poll of the Board:

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

### Motion Carried 5-0

Approve Meeting Minutes for the Reorganization Meeting on January 4, 2022 – Mr. Binney made a motion to approve the minutes for January 4, 2022. Mr. Rosso seconded the motion.

#### Poll of the Board:

Mr. Miles Yes

Mr. Binney Yes

Mr. Beier Yes

Mr. Goodwin Yes

Mr. Rosso Yes

Motion Carried 5-0

Public Comment - No public comment.

Solicitor's Report - Mr. Levin reported that there will be a Resolution for a casting agreement with PennDot but he will hold off for now until more details are known.

Mr. Levin stated that there is only one provision to work through on KVK's outstanding tapping fees. He noted that there is a meeting Friday that has to do with a claw back provision. He confirmed it is the sense of the Board not to make any concessions.

Mr. Levin reported that he is working with Wheelabrator regarding altering their agreement dropping their minimum usage to 25,000 gallons a day with a max of 900,000 gallons.

Mr. Rosso would like to have some of Wheelabrator's past consumptions

to review prior to making any alterations. Mr. Rosso requested Mr. Levin get a timeline of when they would like to start using their new system and Mr. Levin stated that they are pressuring on us so they can begin.

Engineer's Report - Mr. Bulicki reported that there are no new action items.

<u>2021 I/I Project</u> – Mr. Bulicki reported that we are transitioning into manhole rehabilitation.

<u>RAFA System</u> – Mr. Bulicki reported that installation is being scheduled for remaining pump stations.

American Rescue Plan Act Applications – Mr. Bulicki reported that they have been working on the grant applications and they are expected to be sent in February.

Executive Director's Report -

<u>COVID - 19 Update</u> - Mr. Hartman advised the Board that there had been three cases of COVID - 19 reported among the staff since the December, 2021, Board Meeting.

PMAA Board Member Training – Mr. Hartman drew the Board's attention to the PMAA Board Training Registration Forms that had been handed out. He told the Board that the training was one morning and included lunch. Mr. Hartman added that the training was worthwhile.

Annual Statement of Financial Interests Forms – Mr. Hartman advised the Board that they had been provided the annual Statement of Financial Interests Forms to be filed by May 1, 2022.

Mr. Ryba reported on water main breaks that took place at 833 Fairfield Road and another at 523 Cassingham Road. He stated that both were handled quickly by our field staff. Mr. Rosso asked how many breaks we had this year. Mr. Ryba reported there has been three.

Mr. Ryba reported that the chemical dosing flow meter is in place and working at the New Falls Station. He noted that he has spoken with DEP and everything appears to be in order. He also stated that RVE has a chemical engineer working with him on proper dosing.

# Review of the Bill List -

Mr. Binney questioned payment to Patrick Blair for settlement. Ms. Parmer stated that it is for an overpayment from a settlement of his house.

Mr. Binney asked if we have received a proposal for the engineering support for the relining project. Mr. Rosso requested an estimate on that.

Bills for Payment – Mr. Beier made a motion to pay the bills in the amount of \$1,024,844.99. Mr. Rosso seconded the motion.

## Poll of the Board:

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

Motion Carried 5-0

# **Board Comment**

Mr. Miles – Mr. Miles stated that we had a good year and would like to see us keep it up.

Mr. Binney – Mr. Binney has some questions on the profit/loss statement and budget vs actual report. He questioned the expenses for routine water maintenance as well as emergency costs and whether these are accurate. He also pointed out building heat and workers comp amounts appear incorrect. Ms. Parmer stated she will review the accounts to make sure all items are in the proper categories.

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

Mr. Goodwin - No comment.

Mr. Rosso - No comment.

Adjournment – Mr. Rosso suggested a motion be made to adjourn the meeting at 8:12 p.m. He noted that the next meeting will be held on Wednesday, February 23, 2022 at 7:00 p.m. The Board was unanimously in favor.