

EAWA WORK SESSION MEETING MINUTES
June 7, 2017 - 6:30 PM

1. CALL TO ORDER:

The EAWA Board meeting was held in the Meeting Room at 211 W. Hummelstown St. and was called to order at 6:30 P.M. by Dr. C. Dale Treese. Members present: Rich Sheidy, Jeff McCloud, Chuck Brewer. Absent: Keith Murphy and Rick Erb. Also present were George Alspach, Solicitor; Del Becker, Authority Manager; Peter Lusardi, Engineer and Melissa Read, Temp. Members of the Public: none present.

2. PUBLIC COMMENT: None.

3. REPORTS:

Series of 2008 and 2012 Bonds - Becker stated that the bonds are proceeding as scheduled. Because EAWA is doing both series simultaneously, it appears that the arbitrage rebate for the 2012 bonds may be retained by the Authority. Becker noted that the Authority will wire money for the calling of the 2008 bonds tomorrow, June 8th. They will close shortly thereafter. Everything else is proceeding for the 2012 bonds on June 22nd.

SRBC Compliance Inspection - Becker stated that the SRBC came on June 25 to do a routine compliance inspection. They had a discussion with the staff and proceeded to inspect the water sources. They offered suggestions, and EAWA is already in the process of making corrections. Prior to the meeting, there was a situation where the compliance specialist indicated that our total system limit of 2.2 MGDs was based on the combined withdrawal from the wells, reservoir, Conewago, and the quarry. The sum total of those does not work to EAWA's benefit. The compliance specialist went back and spoke with the permit writers, and they realized, and agreed that the permit requires correction. In July, the SRBC will correct the monitored withdrawn water to include only the wells and the reservoir. Becker also stated that EAWA is proceeding with the application for Wells #5, #6, and #7. To the compliance specialists' credit, they spoke immediately to the permit writer to correct the problem.

Water System Alarm Upgrade - Becker is recommending an upgrade to the alarm system software. The current alarm system is 25 year old technology, and only calls one number at a time. The new software operation will call all of the operational numbers in the system simultaneously. He stated it will be an app on everyone's smart phone. It is an upgrade module to the existing software. Sheidy asked if it was for security. Becker replied that it is an alarm for the set points with regard to the water quality. If one of the set points gets too low, an alarm is triggered. It will help maintain safe water quality. McCloud asked about how often the water alarms go off. Becker answered that EAWA gets about one or two calls per week. With the SCADA system, the operations staff can dial in to see what is happening in the system.

Action: “That the Board approves the purchase of the alarm notification system upgrade for \$2,500.00.

Motion: J. McCloud

Second: R. Sheidy

Approved

Burger King - Becker noted that Burger King provided cash escrow for the installation of the water main extension. That is all in place and has been inspected. Alspach put together a bill of sale with the developer. Becker requested approval for the dedication of the water lines and the bill of sale. EAWA will retain some of the cash escrow for the 18-month warranty period. Approximately \$39,000 will be refunded to the developer out of the escrow. Becker requested that the wording of the action be changed to include “Resolution 2017-3.” Brewer asked if Red Rose is connected. Becker stated that, at this point, Red Rose is a customer. Brewer asked if there are any other buildings on that section of Market St. that need to connect. Becker stated that the only remaining building is the Northwest Bank. Brewer asked if anything is going in near the Sunoco. Becker noted that there is supposed to be a Subway, and two other commercial facilities to be built there. Becker stated that, per Haldeman, Ironstone Ranch will be connecting shortly and will add 4 EDUs. McCloud asked if we could add EDUs to Ironstone as time goes on. He noted that it seems like there may be more EDUs required with all of the people who come for weddings. Becker stated that EAWA will monitor Ironstone’s usage, and may add more as time goes on.

Action: “That the Board accept the Bill of Sale for the dedication of water lines for Burger King as Resolution 2017-3.”

Motion: R. Sheidy

Second: C. Brewer

Approved

Operations Manager’s Report - Becker noted that Haldeman is attending a high school graduation tonight. He stated that the authority will receive the Director’s Award for Safe Water at the AWWA conference on Monday, June 12th. Becker stated that not many facilities get to this level of recognition. It speaks to the dedication of the operational staff. Gene, Steve and Tom are attending to accept the award. Treese mentioned that EAWA should do a press release for this.

Engineer’s Report - Lusardi stated that his recent proposal is on the agenda.

Engineering Services for Original WTP and Reservoir - Becker stated there are three main items in the proposal: a long-term plan for the old water treatment plant, an analysis of bank erosion on the reservoir, and the requirements for upgrading the intake pipe from the reservoir into this facility. Becker stated that EAWA should consider replacing this pipe to fully utilize the plant’s treatment capacity. Treese asked the time frame of completion. Lusardi stated that it should take about two months. Alspach asked when it would be bid. Becker stated that this is just a report, not for plans or specs. Lusardi said that this is not for design, just to look for alternatives to address these three issues. Becker said that in the future the Authority will authorize construction developments.

Action: "That the Board accepts the proposed engineering services for a professional services fee of \$14,000.00."

Motion: C. Brewer **Second:** J. McCloud **Approved**

4. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Rain Garden Planting - Becker stated that all hands planted the rain garden on May 23. Everything was planted. It went very well, and only took about 1 ½ hours. Treese stated that he would like to see pictures of the rain garden on the website to see how it progresses. Brewer asked how many people participated. Becker replied that about 11 people planted 800 plants.

Sick Leave Subcommittee - Becker noted that he will set up another date with Brewer and Sheidy to discuss this further.

5. NEW BUSINESS: None.

6. BOARD MEMBER'S COMMENTS: Sheidy complimented both the Board and the staff for how smoothly everything has been running. Brewer asked if it would be appropriate to write a letter to staff in recognition of the good work for the Safe Water award. Treese agreed. Becker stated that the staff will also be presented with a plaque when they go to Philadelphia.

7. EXECUTIVE SESSION: None

8. ADJOURN: 7:05 PM

Action: "That the Board adjourns the work session meeting."

Motion: R. Sheidy **Second:** J. McCloud **Approved**

Respectfully submitted,

D. Becker, Authority Manager

Approved at 7/10/17 Meeting