

The Bloomfield Borough Water Authority held their monthly meeting on October 22, 2024 at the Borough Building. The following were present: Larry Weller, George Dorundo, Jim Swenson, Pete Fleszar, Jerry Philpott, Larry Fisher, Stone Caldwell, and Denice Fisher.

The meeting was called to order by Vice Chairman, Larry Weller at 7:00pm.

The minutes of the September 24, 2024 meeting were approved on a motion of George, seconded by Jim. Motion passed.

The Financial Report was distributed to all members by Denice Fisher. The detailed report is attached to the minutes. There was a motion made by Jim, seconded by George to approve the financial report and to approve paying the bills. Motion passed.

There was no business from the floor.

Jerry Philpott, Solicitor, had no new business to discuss.

There was a motion made by Jim, seconded by George to approve the 2023 audit. Motion passed. There was a motion made by George, seconded by Jim to accept, retain and sign Herring, Roll & Solomon for another year. Motion passed.

Pete gave an update on the Targeted Bottleneck Water Line Replacement project. Everything is done and the numbers are the same as last month. He is still waiting for the close out documents from Grossers Excavating. He worked through the drawings and will email a copy to the Authority.

For the PennDOT Perry County Maintenance Facility, they said they did not want to do an 8-inch line. They want to do a 4-inch line and not all the way through. Pete suggested a 6-inch line all the way through. For the flow test the result was 240 gallons a minute, so they will be able to fill their fire tank. They probably will not be laying a 12-inch line down through town.

There are no pending actions for the Dutch Canal Project.

For the Aishel Development flow test results, at N. Carlisle Street it was 120 gallons per minute. The results didn't come to the desired 500 gallons so they either will have to come across the farm field or come down Main Street with an 8-inch line. Larry said that he talked to John Melham and he suggested having a meeting.

The draft of exhibits for the West End Looping & Consolidation Water Line Replacement/Extension Project were distributed to everyone. The grant request is in the amount of \$998,780.00. At this meeting or the next the Board will have to execute the Resolution. There was a motion made by George, seconded by Jim to accept the Authorized Official Resolution and fill out the application for the West End Looping & Consolidation Water Line Replacement/Extension Project Grant. Motion passed.

Pete suggested having the woman from Pennvest come back for a meeting for the lead service line inventory. The Water Authority thought there was 243 unknown service lines. We don't know how many are going to need to be replaced. The lead service line inventory form had to be submitted by October 16th with what lines we know are good and what we know are lead or unknown. On the system owned side, if you dig a hole and find galvanized or lead pipe, there might be a grant that will help pay to replace the pipe, but if the pipe is copper then the grant does not cover the cost to replace the pipe. From the curb stop to the house is the customer portion of the service line. We are looking into where the customer can obtain grants to help pay to replace their pipe. Pete is going to set up a meeting with PennVest. Larry said that Grosser can do the hydrovac around the curb stops at an estimate of \$400 each. We are preparing consumer notification letters per DEP to customers which have to be sent by November 15, 2024.

Larry ordered a skid of hypo and it was delivered today.

Larry is still waiting on the replacement module for Unit 2.

The work truck needs new tires. Larry said it would need tires before the next inspection.

The generator at Talmudic isn't working properly. CAT is coming tomorrow to look at it. It is either not sending a signal out saying it is running or it is not coming on at all. We opened up a line of credit for CAT.

Copies of the letter from the New Bloomfield United Methodist Church were distributed to everyone. Larry Weller said he would talk to Peg McPherson. Larry Fisher said that the Water Authority would send a letter. The bill was paid by the church and they were requesting a credit for the water leak they had at the church. The Board decided that if you give a credit to one customer then you would have to start giving credits to all customers for water leaks.

For the repair at 204 S. Carlisle Street, we sent an invoice to the customer. The customer was informed that he would be receiving the invoice.


Denice Fisher, Secretary, said that the billing system gWorks is transitioning to gWorks Cloud by the end of the year. It was going to happen in November, but they were not equipped to support our Psion equipment yet so it got pushed back to December 9<sup>th</sup>.

Jim asked if something happened to Denice that she could not work for an extended time, does anyone know her job. She told them that she has notes written and typed, but it needs cleaned up and organized. Jim asked if she could put together a manual of the office procedures.

Larry asked Stone about his last operator test. Stone said he passed his test. He has to apply for the license. He asked Stone about having to take so much time off from work for being sick. Stone said he was really sick in September and then was off sick afterward from the residual of being sick the beginning of September.

There being no further business, a motion to adjourn at 7:30pm was made by George, seconded by Jim. Motion passed.

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Denice M. Fisher".

Denice M. Fisher