LOWER TEN MILE JOINT SEWER AUTHORITY

144 CHARTIERS ROAD
JEFFERSON, PA 15344
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MINUTES
ORGANIZATION MEETING
JANUARY 15, 2025

CALL TO ORDER

The annual organizational meeting of Lower Ten Mile Joint Sewer Authority was called to order at 4:30 p.m., at the Lower Ten Mile Joint Sewer Authority office.

Those members present were:

Kenneth Frameli
Tom Goughenour
Jamie Forman
George Riecks
Benjamin Bupka
Tim Phillips
Brian Sypin
Gary Mylan

Also attending were:

Chris Simms, Solicitor
Bob Dengler, Engineer
Bruce Howard, Lead Operator
Sharon Confortini, Secretary

Mr. Phillips made a motion to vacate all of the officers of the board and to make Mr. Simms Temporary Chairman for Lower Ten Mile Joint Sewer Authority's Organizational Meeting. Mr. Sypin seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Mylan made a motion to retain the following for 2025:

- Mr. Frameli to remain as Chairman of the Board
- Mr. Goughenour to remain as Vice Chairman
- Mr. Jamie Forman to remain as Secretary
- Mr. Riecks to remain as Assistant Secretary-Treasurer
- Mr. Bupka to remain as Treasurer

As well as retain the following for 2025:

- Gannett Fleming Inc. as Engineering Firm
- Mr. Christopher Simms, as solicitor
- Guthrie, Belczyk & Associates as auditors

Mr. Goughenour seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Mylan made a motion to retain First National Bank as the Authority's depository bank for 2025. Mr. Goughenour seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Mylan made a motion to retain the date of the monthly board meetings to the third Wednesday of each month at 5:00 p.m. Mr. Goughenour seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Mylan made a motion to transfer the office of Chairman back to Mr. Frameli at 4:34 pm. Mr. Phillips seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

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MINUTES
January 15, 2025

CALL TO ORDER

The regular monthly meeting of Lower Ten Mile Joint Sewer Authority was called to order at 4:34 p.m. at the Lower Ten Mile Joint Sewer Authority office.

Those members present were:

Kenneth Frameli, Chairman
Tom Goughenour, Vice Chairman
Jamie Forman, Secretary
Benjamin Bupka, Treasurer
George Riecks, Asst. Sec-Treas.
Tim Phillips
Brian Sypin
Gary Mylan

Also attending were:

Christopher Simms, Solicitor
Bob Dengler, Engineer
Bruce Howard, Lead Operator
Sharon Confortini, Secretary

MINUTES

A motion approving the minutes of the December 18, 2024 meeting was made by Mr. Mylan, seconded by Mr. Riecks and the motion carried unanimously.

TREASURER'S REPORT

A motion approving the Treasurer's Report and to pay the outstanding invoices was made by Mr. Phillips, seconded by Mr. Sypin and the motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC DISCUSSION

None

OPERATION'S REPORT

None

CORRESPONDENCE

Mrs. Confortini stated she prepared the Annual Obligor's Compliance Certificate to US Bank for the Authority's bonds. Mr. Phillips made a motion authorizing Mr. Frameli to sign the Obligor's Compliance Certificate for the Authority. Mr. Sypin seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

LEGAL REPORT

None

ENGINEER'S REPORT

Mr. Dengler stated he is still waiting for DEP to reissue the Mather STP NPDES Permit renewal that was submitted on June 28, 2024.

Mr. Dengler stated the Act 537 Planning process is progressing for the Morgan Township Sewer Extension Projects. At this time two components of the Act 537 Plan must be completed. The first component (4-A) must be executed by the Morgan Township Planning Commission and the second component (4-B) must be executed by the Greene County Planning Commission, which has already been completed. Unfortunately Morgan Township doesn't have a planning commission, therefore the Greene County Planning Commission will also have to complete component 4-A.. Once that is completed Lower Ten Mile Joint Sewer Authority would need to accept the Act 537 Plan, then advertise in the newspaper for a thirty day public comment period. This should all be completed and ready for approval at the February 2025 board meeting. Depending on the public response, the Act 537 Plan would then be sent to Morgan Township to pass a resolution accepting the Act 537 Plan. If Morgan Township accepts the Act 537 Plan it will then be sent to DEP for approval. However, even if all of this is accepted, the Authority would still need the funding from the government to fund these sewer extension projects.

The Authority has already been awarded $500,000.00 from the USEPA FY2023 Community Project Funding towards the projected cost of $635,000.00 for the Chartiers Road Sewer Extension. However, Mr. Dengler has not heard the status of the $1,000,000.00 Statewide Grant application that was submitted in November 2024 for the Country Club Road Extension Project. In addition, the Authority has not heard the status of the $1,340,172.00 grant application submitted under the FY 2025 Appropriations Requests from Senator Casey's and Fetterman's Offices and to Congressman Reschenthaler's Office for the Country Club Sewer Extension Project, which has an estimated cost of $1,675,215.00.

Mr. Dengler stated the Authority received the Biosolids Permits from PaDEP for both the Mather and Williamstown STP.

Mr.Dengler stated Gannett Fleming has started working on the preparation of Lower Ten Mile Joint Sewer Authority's Chapter 94 Wasteload Management Reports due to PaDEP on March 31, 2025.

OLD BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

None

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Phillips made a motion to adjourn at 4:48 p.m., seconded by Mr. Jamie Forman and the motion carried unanimously.