

September 25, 2024

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Meeting of the Elizabethville Area Authority was called to order by Dennis Henninger, Chairman, at 1900 hours on September 25, 2024 followed by the pledge of allegiance and a moment of silence.

ROLL CALL

Dennis Henninger	Christopher Kocher	Peggy Kahler	Bob Bahney
Tammy Keisling (absent)	Ken Koller	Tom Welker	

ALSO ATTENDING

Dan Beyer, EADS Group (absent)	Linus Fenicle, Solicitor; Smigel, Anderson and Sacks, LLP (absent)
Shane Liddick, Office Secretary	Travis Zearing, Superintendent
Glenn Miller, Operator	Andrew Welker, Office Secretary

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Ken Koller moved to approve the minutes of August 28, 2024 as presented. Chris Kocher seconded, and the motion carried unanimously.

ADDITIONS TO VOTING AGENDA

Tom Welker moved to approve adding 'Approval for the Chairman to sign documents required for the upcoming CDBG Grant application' as Item D, under New Business. Peggy Kahler seconded, and the motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC

None.

OLD BUSINESS

A. WalMart Pump Station – No Update.

B. Kepler – No Update.

C. Lead Service Line – No Update.

D. Phosphorus Level – No Update.

E. Well Study w/ DEP – No Update.

F. Authority Member Fees –No Update.

G. Fire Department Donations – Discussion ensued regarding the donations that were approved at the July 2024 meeting. Tom Welker moved to re-affirm the actions taken at the August 2024 meeting to provide a \$150 donation to the Fisherville Volunteer Fire Co and a \$75 donation to the Halifax Fire Department. Ken Koller seconded, and the motion carried unanimously.

H. CDBG Grant Application – No Update.

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I. UDA School District Project – Chris Kocher provided a verbal update. The School District and Administration have a lot of uncertainty at this time.

SEWER DEPARTMENT

Operator: Provided a written report, and added further comment.

- i. A blockage has been located within the sewer main-line in the area of MoPac across from the WWTP. Operators will be working on the issue in the coming days and provide updates as available.
- ii. Chipper – The Authority owns a wood chipper which does not get used. Travis Zearing recommended selling the Chipper as it does have monetary value and is currently taking up storage space at the Plant. Tom Welker moved to approve listing the Chipper for sale on MuniBid with the Operators and Chairman to determine a reasonable reserve. Bob Bahney seconded, and the motion carried unanimously.
- iii. Skidloader – The Authority currently owns a Bobcat Skidloader. The machine is an early 2000s model with approximately 3100 hours on the meter. Parts are obsolete and becoming harder to get, many replacements are not available. Travis Zearing recommends replacing the skidloader with a new unit at an approximate cost of \$65,000-\$80,000. The bobcat that we currently have could be sold and should have a value of \$10,000-\$20,000. Tom Welker moved to approve adding the skidloader purchase to New Business for the October 2024 meeting. Peggy Kahler seconded, and the motion carried unanimously.

Engineer: Provided a written report, and added no further comment.

WATER DEPARTMENT

Operator: Provided a written report, and added no further comment.

Engineer: Provided a written report, and added no further comment.

NEW BUSINESS/ ACTION ITEMS

A. CDBG Progress Report – Pine Alley Sewer Rehabilitation

B. CDBG Progress Report- Maple Avenue I&I Removal Project

D. Approval of the Chairman to sign the necessary paperwork for the Gaming Grant Application.

Peggy Kahler moved to approve Items A, B, & D as presented. Chris Kocher seconded, and the motion carried unanimously.

C. CD Purchase – Discussion ensued regarding the financial status of the Authority and the available funds sitting in the operating checking account. Certificate of Deposit (CD) rates were reviewed as was potential options with PLGIT. Tom Welker moved to approve putting \$250,000 into a 3 month CD for Water and \$250,000 into a 3 month CD for Sewer. Bob Bahney seconded, and the motion carried unanimously.

SECRETARY'S & TREASURER'S REPORT

No Report.

PAYMENT OF BILLS

Ken Koller moved to approve the payment of the bills as presented. Chris Kocher seconded the motion. Chairman Henninger called for a Roll Call Vote in which all members present voted 'Yes' (Tammy Keisling was absent).

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ADJOURNMENT

Chris Kocher moved to adjourn the meeting, Bob Bahney seconded, and the motion carried unanimously. Chairman Henninger adjourned the meeting at 1943 hours.

Respectfully Submitted,


Tammy Keisling, Secretary