The Bloomfield Borough Water Authority held their monthly meeting on February 27, 2024 at the Borough Building. The following were present: Ed Albright, Larry Weller, Charles Sheaffer, George Dorundo, Jerry Philpott, Pete Fleszar, Larry Fisher, Stone Caldwell, Denice Fisher, John Melham of Melham Associates and Rabbi Dani Fine.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman, Ed Albright at 7:01pm.

The minutes of the January 23, 2024 meeting were approved on a motion of Larry, seconded by Chuck. 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 Larry, seconded by George to approve the financial report. Motion passed. There was a motion made by Larry, seconded by Chuck to approve paying the bills. Motion passed.

John Melham of Melham Associates is engaged by Aishel which is designing a small community. Rabbi Dani Fine is representing Aishel. They would like to subdivide the property into lots for residential development. Rabbi Fine said that the community would be comprised of young families and retirees using this community mostly as a retreat for holidays and vacation. They realize there is not enough water flow for the development. To be able to get water to their property they would need an easement. They need an easement most likely across the farm beside the Water Authority. They have not contacted the owners of the farm and are requesting the Authority's help in obtaining the easement. If they cannot get the easement through the farm, their next option would be through Route 34. Aisel also would like to use plastic, if possible, instead of ductile iron across the farm land since they feel it would be more cost effective.

Jerry Philpott, Solicitor, said that he worked with Pete on the easement for the Dutch Canal Project and would let him discuss it.

Peter Fleszar, Engineer, has no direct date when the Targeted Bottleneck project will begin.

When people come to town, they need certain services. You put money up front (escrow) and the fees go against the escrow. If you don't use all of the money, then the rest goes back. You can open a separate checking account for the escrow, but Jerry does not think it is necessary. Each escrow might be between \$5,000 to \$10,000 for the PennDOT Perry County Maintenance Facility and the Aishel Development.

For the PennDOT Dutch Canal project, PennDOT forgot about the water pipe outside of the right-of-way at Pennian Bank. It is just going to be a blow off right now, but could possibly be a fire hydrant in the future. Jerry prepared the paperwork for the easement with Pennian Bank and will contact them. There is also a reimbursement request estimate form that needs to be completed for the easement.

Larry said that he and Denice would be attending a meeting on March 5th at SRBC with GeoServices to start the renewal of Well 2.

An extended warranty quote, as well as a quote for preventative maintenance services and preventative maintenance inspection for the generator at the Booster Station was distributed to all members for their review. It was decided that the Authority would check with Pa Rural Water, as well as other contacts, to check on better prices.

The courthouse is installing their meter tomorrow.

The first round of PFAS testing has been done.

The work truck has been taken to Regester Chevrolet. The battery has been dying overnight. It was thought to be the transmission, but they said the ground wire was bad.

Denice Fisher, Secretary, had no new business to discuss.

Under Old Business Ed said that the timbering will start next week. They are bringing the skid loader this week. Gideon paid the full amount of the contract up front.

Ed talked to James Swenson and Mr. Swenson would like to serve on the Water Authority Board. Mr. Swenson has property in the Borough. There was a motion made by Larry, seconded by Chuck to pass James Swenson's name on to the Borough for approval. Motion passed.

There being no further business, a motion to adjourn at 8:06pm was made by Larry, seconded by Chuck. Motion passed.

Respectfully Submitted,

Denice M. Fisher

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