EAST BERLIN AREA JOINT AUTHORITY 103 LOCUST STREET, PO BOX 37 EAST BERLIN, PA 17316 September 3, 2015

The monthly meeting of the East Berlin Area Joint Authority was held September 3, 2015 at 103 Locust Street, East Berlin, PA 17316, and was conducted by Chairman Gerald L. Mummert. The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance at 7PM.

<u>Members Present</u>: Gerald L. Mummert; Charles Krall; Rick Saxon; and Ron Weidner <u>Also Present</u>: Solicitor Matt Battersby; Secretary, Hannelore Furst; Treasurer, Charles Eisenhart; Deepthi Kalyanam of Buchart-Horn; Robbie Teal; Harold Lau; John Scrivens and Nathan Boyer.

<u>Minutes</u>: A motion was made by Charles Krall to accept the minutes of August 6, 2015; with a second by Ron Weidner. Deepthi mentioned the last paragraph of New Business should state we currently treat 40 mgl, and not 40,000. **Motion carried to accept the minutes as corrected.**

Payment of Bills: All members received a copy of the bills and receipts for August 2015, the bills totaled \$17,680.05 from the operational funds. A motion was made by Ron Weidner to pay the bills for August 2015 with a second by Rick Saxon. The secretary explained the \$15,768.00 that was transferred from the water checking account and the \$54,870.00 transferred from the sewer checking account, as being the capital expense amount collected on the recent water and sewer billing. These amounts were transferred into their respective capital expense checking account and are used to pay the Pennvest loans. **Motion carried.**

<u>Public/Guest Comment</u>: Harold Lau of 227 East King Street introduced himself and stated he has been a lifelong resident of East Berlin. He worked for the Bank of Hanover for 23 years, and he held numerous position including Vice President of Operations and he was a H & R Block agent for 19 years. He is interested in being on the Authority Board.

<u>Engineer's Report:</u> Deepthi Kalyanam of Buchart-Horn stated she still has not received any comments from SRBC on the Aquifer testing report. Charles Krall mentioned SRBC has just hired a new manager, Gywn Rowland, according to the article in the Authority magazine.

Solicitor's Report: Solicitor Battersby reported that Charles Krall brought it to his attention about filling the position for the vacancy on the Authority Board. Solicitor Battersby reviewed the information concerning vacancies on the Board and reported the Borough Council has the responsibility to appoint someone for the vacancy, citing Westlaw Next; §5610 (d). Solicitor Battersby explained the Authority should make a recommendation to the Borough Council who they would like to sit on the Authority Board and Borough Council will appoint the new member. Charles Krall requested Chairman Mummert send a letter of recommendation to the Borough Council as soon as possible because the Borough will be having a meeting September 16, 2015, and will be able make a decision on filling the vacancy. Chairman Mummert asked the Board to check their selection for the new member on the ballot slips that were handed out before the meeting. The secretary counted the votes and Mr. Harold Lau received the most votes. Solicitor Battersby requested an executive meeting at the end of this meeting, on a legal issue.

<u>Treasurer's Report</u>: Charles Eisenhart reported there were 16 delinquent accounts for a total of \$13,035.85, for this quarter. There are two scheduled shut-offs for 9/8/15; and four accounts went to the District Justice on Monday. Chairman Mummert commended the Mr. Eisenhart and Ms. Furst for keeping after the delinquent accounts.

<u>Secretary's Report:</u> Hanna Furst presented to the Board members a copy of the PA Municipal Retirement System MMO for 2016 in the amount of \$13,171.00. *A motion was made by Charles Krall to accept the MMO for 2016; with a second by Ron Weidner.* **Motion carried**.

New Business:

The Board congratulated Nathan Boyer on his marriage on August 29, 2015.

Old Business: None

Operator's Report:

Nathan Boyer - Nothing

John Scrivens – John reported he inspected Clara Eisenhart's sump pump area, and it has been cemented closed.

Correspondence:

• None

The Board went into a Executive Meeting at 7:22 PM for legal matters. The Board reconvened at 7:47 PM after discussing legal negotiations.

There being no further business, *Charles Krall made a motion to adjourn the meeting; with a second by Ron Weidner. Motion carried.*

Meeting adjourned at 7:50 PM. Next meeting will be held October 1, 2015 at 103 Locust Street at 7 PM.

Respectfully submitted Hannelore B. Furst, Secretary EBAJA