

EAST BERLIN AREA JOINT AUTHORITY  
103 LOCUST STREET, PO BOX 37  
EAST BERLIN, PA 17316  
September 4, 2014

The monthly meeting of the East Berlin Area Joint Authority was held September 4, 2014 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.

**Members Present:** Gerald L. Mummert; Charles Krall; Rick Saxon; and Robert Clayton

**Members Absent:** Ronald Weidner

**Also Present:** Solicitor Matt Battersby; Secretary, Hannelore Furst; Treasurer, Charles Eisenhart; Bruce Hulshizer of Buchart-Horn; John Scrivens and Nathan Boyer

**Minutes:** *A motion was made by Charles Krall to accept the minutes of August 7, 2014; with a second by Robert Clayton. Motion carried to accept the minutes as written.*

**Payment of Bills:** All members received a copy of the bills and receipts for August 2014, the bills totaled \$27,463.41 from the operational funds. *A motion was made by Robert Clayton to pay the bills for August 2014 with a second by Charles Krall. Motion carried.*

**Public Comment:** None

**Engineer's Report:** Bruce Hulshizer of Buchart-Horn reported B & R Electric presented Change Order #2 for a credit of \$23,326.00 which included adding the generator E-stop, deleting demolition of the control panels at the pump house, and the unused portions of the allowance/contingent items. *A motion was made by Robert Clayton to accept B&R Electric Change Order #2 for a credit of \$23,326.00, with a second by Charles Krall. Motion carried.*

Bruce also presented Mid-State Utility Contractor Change Order #4 for an additional fee of \$2,269.69 for additional site restoration. *A motion was made by Robert Clayton to accept Mid-State Utility Contractor Change Order #4 for additional fee of \$2,269.69, with a second by Rick Saxon. Motion carried.*

Bruce stated that Mid State Electric's part of the project is complete except to adjust the valve box at Twig Terrace and reseed Well 6 site, base cabinet, Well 1 support and install/record documents. Bruce is asking the Board to approve final payment to Mid State pending addressing these items. *A motion was made by Robert Clayton to approve final payment to Mid State pending completion of the above items, with a second by Charles Krall. Motion carried.*

Bruce also stated B & R Electrical has completed their portion of the improvement project except for one test, Bruce is asking the Board to approve final payment to B & R Electrical pending completion of this test. *A motion was made by Charles Krall to approve final payment to B & R Electrical pending completion of the above item, with a second by Robert Clayton. Motion carried.*

Bruce stated the Susquehanna River Basin Commission(SRBC) aquifer testing is slated to begin on September 25, weather permitting, on all the wells. He provided a chart with the monitoring points; the piezometers will be installed on September 18 at two locations; the Borough park and Ken Young's property; the weirs and the well probes will be installed September 22-24. It was suggested Gerald L. Mummert accompany the contractors to introduce them to the home owners. Due to added monitoring requirements by SRBC the cost will be approximately \$25,000 more than currently budgeted. Bruce explained that the original plan was prepared over a year ago and also we are monitoring 4 wells instead of three. The Authority needs to formally amend the Pennvest agreement. *A motion was made by Robert Clayton to direct Buchart-Horn to proceed with the testing knowing this will exceed the original budget amount, with a second by Rick Saxon. Motion carried.* He also stated there is a need to arrange monitoring at Well 1 and Well 5 because they do not have a VFT and throughout the 72 hour test for well 1 and well 5 we need to make sure the pump rate stays between 48-52 gpm, including at night. This testing would be done October 28 and November 11. Charles Krall volunteered to help with this if necessary. The data management needs by Control Systems 21 are VTS and VPN for \$2,233.75 and the internet must be connected for the VPN (which is scheduled for 9/9/14). Bruce presented a quotation from Control Systems 21 for the data management. This includes VTS SCADA software and programming of the VTS system to produce a totalized daily

flow for each of the Authority's wells using a 1 minute flow and well level increment. VTS SCADA Runtime programming-\$1,755.00; Sytech Excel Reporter-\$2,415.00; Greenbow VPN Tunnel Client Software-\$478.75; VTS Yearly Fee-\$210.00; Microsoft Office-\$300.00. It was decided not to buy Microsoft Office for \$300.00; unless necessary; so the total was \$4,648.75. *A motion was made by Robert Clayton to accept Control Systems 21 proposal for \$4,648.75; contingent on whether the current computer can handle the programs, if necessary; authorizing the purchase of another computer with Windows 7, not to exceed \$600.00; with a second by Charles Krall. **Motion carried.***

Solicitor's Report: Solicitor Battersby reported he is working on the lien for Pennwood concerning the sewer connection fee.

Treasurer's Report: Charles Eisenhart presented to the Board members a copy of the PA Municipal Retirement System MMO for 2015 in the amount of \$11,396.00. Our distress level is zero. *A motion was made by Charles Krall to accept the MMO for 2015; with a second by Robert Clayton. **Motion carried.*** Charles Eisenhart also reported there are 49 delinquent accounts for a total of \$19,276.00. He reminded the Board that it is budget time and will have information at the next meeting.

New Business: Chairman Mummert mentioned to the Board members have the water tower inspection proposal to look over for discussion at next month's meeting. Bruce Hulshizer suggested that no wash out inspection be done during the aquifer testing period.

Old Business: None

Operator's Report:

Nathan Boyer – Nothing

John Scrivens – John reported he spoke with Mrs. Luckenbaugh concerning her meter problem and high usage. A new meter was installed and monitored, with no difference in usage. It was also noted there are 6 or 7 people living in the house. Charles Eisenhart stated he called Mrs. Luckenbaugh as requested; but she did not answer the phone. A second delinquent letter has been sent.

Correspondence: None

Chairman Mummert thanked the Board for the sympathy card on the death of his brother.

There being no further business, *Robert Clayton made a motion to adjourn the meeting; with a second by Charles Krall.* Meeting adjourned at 7:52 PM. Next meeting will be held October 2, 2014 at 103 Locust Street at 7 PM.

Respectfully submitted,  
Hannelore B. Furst, Secretary EBAJA