

EAST BERLIN AREA JOINT AUTHORITY
103 LOCUST STREET, PO BOX 37
EAST BERLIN, PA 17316
July 11, 2013

The monthly meeting of the East Berlin Area Joint Authority was held July 11, 2013 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; John O'Brien; David Richards; and Charles Krall

Absent: Robert Clayton, Charles Eisenhart and Bruce Hulshizer

Also Present: Solicitor Matt Battersby; Secretary, Hannelore Furst; Deepthi Kalyanam of Buchart-Horn; John Scrivens; Nathan Boyer; Roberta Teal; Gerald Funke and Charles Miller of Pennwood Products.

Minutes: *A motion was made by Charles Krall to accept the minutes of June; with a second by John O'Brien. David Richards suggested striking the last portion of the second paragraph under New Business (and is in agreement with the Authority to maintain the flat rate structure). Motion carried as corrected.*
It was suggested there should be a fee schedule and it should be listed with a new resolution.

Payment of Bills: All members received a copy of the bills and receipts for June 2013, which totaled \$12,265.37 from the operational funds. *John O'Brien moved to pay the bills for June with a second by Charles Krall. Motion carried.*

Public Comment: Gerry Funke handed out his first draft of the water supply agreement that he drew up between Appalachian Realty (Pennwood Products) and the Authority. This showed the final layout of the water lines and pit for the meters and back flow preventers. Exhibit A shows the dimensions of the lines (8" and 2"). Solicitor Battersby questioned whether Appalachian Realty would be giving the Authority a deed of easement. Mr. Funke stated they would. They continued with a discussion on the preliminary layout of the pit. They also discussed the fire hydrant flushing for 5 to 10 minutes once a year, and there would be no charge for the water of the flushing. Charles Miller is requesting preliminary OK so they can order the pit. The Board's approval of the general drawing was done by consensus; and the Authority solicitor will draw up and agreement. Charles Krall questioned whether the Authority has appropriate equipment for going into a pit. John O'Brien and John Scrivens both mentioned that if need be the Authority could borrow Abbottstown/Paradise Sewer Authority equipment.

Engineer's Report: Deepthi Kalyanam of Buchart-Horn reported on the water system improvement project meeting held earlier in the day. She also reported the 12" water main on 5th Street is finished, with a change order - add Alternate #1 East Berlin Water System Improvement of 2013-5th Water Main Upgrade Plan and Detail for moving the hydrant at no charge. *A motion was made by Charles Krall to accept the change order at no charge, with a second by John O'Brien. Motion carried.*

Deepthi reported Buchart-Horn is waiting on the response letter from the SRBC; Teresa Blauch will be meeting with the secretary to discuss information.

Deepthi also reports a payment request was submitted to Pennvest for the general work (\$29,491.20) and electrical work (\$29,371.50).

Solicitor's Report: Solicitor Battersby stated he would be working on the agreement between Pennwood and Authority; he would be billing us and in turn we will be billing Pennwood.

Solicitor Battersby presented information on Larry Adams' property which is being sold; apparently, there was a lien on the property from 1988 for water, sewer, and trash from the previous owner when he bought it. He approached the Authority about it and was told that was between him and the Borough.

Solicitor Battersby also presented information from Verizon concerning the reimbursement of a telephone line cut during excavating of a water line at 421 Abbottstown Street apartments. Solicitor Battersby was informed that the work was done on private property by a contractor hired by the property manager, so there was nothing the Authority was involved with. The solicitor will send a letter to Verizon informing them of such.

Treasurer's Report: Hannelore Furst reported in the Treasurer's absence. The 4 accounts that the Authority planned to shut the water off; they either paid or made arrangements for a payment plan; so no water was shut off.

New Business: Charles Krall brought to the Board's attention that he feels that there is a potential to make some revenue by filling pools. There was a brief discussion, with no action was taken.

Old Business: Chairman Mummert reported on the previous problem on Michael Brodbeck's property where the water was laying in his yard. He spoke with Mr. Brodbeck and informed him that the water is spring water coming to the surface and the Authority is not responsible.

Operator's Report:

Nathan Boyer reported that one of the LMI (chlorinator) pumps broke down and they do not have a spare. A new pump was ordered from Exeter at the cost of \$1,380.00. Also, they are going to order some parts to fix the pumps if need be. *A motion was made by Charles Krall to purchase a new LMI pump; with a second by John O'Brien. Motion carried.* Nathan also reported there are 2 hydrants that need replaced or repaired. John Scrivens— nothing to report.

Correspondence: None

There being no further business, *John O'Brien made a motion to adjourn the meeting; with a second by David Richards. Motion carried.*

Meeting adjourned at 8:05 PM. Next meeting will be held August 1, 2013 at 103 Locust Street at 7 PM

Respectfully submitted,
Hannelore B. Furst,
Secretary EBAJA