

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

April 4, 2019

The monthly meeting of the East Berlin Area Joint Authority was held April 4, 2019 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 7 PM.

Members Present: Gerald L. Mummert; Darrin Youker; Harold Lau; Ron Weidner and Charles Krall

Also Present: Hannelore Furst, Secretary; Melissa Earp; John Scrivens; Nathan Boyer; Solicitor Matt Battersby; Diana Young of Buchart-Horn, Inc; and Robbie Teal .

Hanna Furst introduced Melissa Earp; who started April 2, 2019 as the new secretary. Hanna is retiring June 30, 2019.

Minutes: *A motion was made by Ron Weidner to accept the minutes of March 7, 2019 as written, with a second by Harold Lau. **Motion carried to accept the minutes as written.***

Payment of Bills: All members received a copy of the bills and receipts for March for a total of \$20,605.64 from the operational fund. The rent for the office space has been paid for the year with no increase. There was a lump sum payment discount of 5% if we paid the whole year in advance. *A motion was made by Charles Krall to pay the bills for March; with a second by Harold Lau. **Motion carried.***

Public/Guest Comment: Robbie Teal informed the Board that the storm drain has been disconnected from the sewer lines and corrected and completed as she advised she would do at the December meeting.

Engineer's Report: Ms. Young reported the Chapter 94 report and the annual water report has been completed and submitted, and presented the Board with their copy. Ms. Young also reported she was contacted by Group Hanover, Inc. concerning possible industrial development of "Buttercup Farms" - Fletcher property on Route 194. There was a brief discussion on what the development might be. Ron Weidner reported that Doug Stambaugh of Group Hanover, Inc. and Todd Grim were at Hamilton Township to discuss the property; and were told to contact the Authority. Solicitor Battersby mentioned this would be a potential project for Robin Fitzpatrick of Adams County Economic Development; and he would be contacting her. There was discussion on the potential high use of water and chemicals for manufacturing that would have to be pretreated before it is deposited into the sewer system. Ms. Young stated she checked the Act 537 Plan for the proposed Buttercup Farms projected water use and it looks like it was for 90,000 gallons a day for residential use. We would need to know the anticipated usage for the gallons of water. Ms. Young stated they inquired if we have capacity and that it would be for commercial usage. Ms. Young stated she doesn't think the sewer plant can handle the increase, if it is large manufacturing, compared to warehousing with bathrooms. If Reading Twp would connect there would be a need for an upgrade to the sewer plant. Solicitor Battersby will be contacting the engineering firm about the gallonage and possible grant money from Adams County Economic Development.

Solicitor's Report: Nothing to report.

Treasurer's Report: Nothing to report.

Secretary's Report:

- Hanna Furst reported that Mrs. Heininger has satisfied her account and thanked the Board for their consideration.
- Called Mr. Eichelberger concerning his past due account, still have not received a response. The new bills went out and are due April 30, 2019. The Board will decide on the course of action after we discuss with Borough secretary whether the trash bill was ever settled.

Unfinished Business: Nothing updated as far as Pennwood.

New Business: Nothing to report

Operator's Report:

Nathan Boyer – Nathan handed out his operators report. The level transducer at Well 5 had to be replaced. All manhole inserts were installed. Decant valve actuator for SBR#2 was repaired under warranty. Checking on companies that work on SCADA systems. Getting quotes to replace Park Rd control panel and wiring work for Branch Circle. They will be flushing fire hydrants in May.(Handed out the schedule for flushing.)

John Scrivens – John reported he and Nathan popped manholes early one morning for infiltration. There are many places that water is infiltrating the sewer system. He advises televising the lines. He and Nathan will get quotes to televise. Also they will need to get a trough for one of the man hole.

Correspondence - None

Having nothing further to discuss the meeting adjourned at 7:42 PM, on a motion by Ron Weidner with a second by Harold Lau. ***Motion carried.***

Next meeting will be held **May 2, 2019** at 103 Locust Street at 7 PM.

Respectfully submitted

Hannelore B. Furst, Secretary EBAJA