

# **BENNER TOWNSHIP WATER AUTHORITY**

## **REGULAR MEETING**

**April 16, 2013**

### **ATTENDANCE:**

**AUTHORITY MEMBERS PRESENT:** Steve Lanich  
Andrew Swales  
Gary Shultz – via telephone

**OTHER ATTENDEES:** Warren Miller – SBWJA  
Kelly Gill – SBWJA  
Jean Ryan – Hazen & Sawyer  
Brian Book – Hazen & Sawyer

### **CALL TO ORDER:**

The April 16, 2013, Regular Meeting of the Benner Township Water Authority was called to order at 6:33 P.M. by Andrew Swales, Vice-Chairman.

### **APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES:**

The Minutes of the January 15, 2013 regular meeting were presented for review. **Mr. Lanich moved, seconded by Mr. Shultz to approve the Minutes of the January 15, 2013 Regular Meeting as presented. 3 ayes, 0 nays, 2 absent. The motion carried.**

### **TREASURER'S REPORT:**

Mr. Lanich reviewed the Treasurer's Report as presented. Mr. Swales asked the Board if there were any questions regarding the Paid Checks or Bills by Vendor submitted for approval. **Mr. Swales moved, seconded by Mr. Shultz to approve the Treasurer's Report as presented, the Paid Checks in the amount of \$7,054.25 and Bills by Vendor in the amount of \$6,804.84. 3 ayes, 0 nays, 2 absent. The motion carried.**

**SBWJA REPORT:**

**Analytical Testing** – Mr. Miller reported that the Authority has completed the first round of quarterly SOC (synthetic organic chemical) testing as required by the PA DEP, which costs approximately \$1100 per system to complete, per quarter. There was a detection of Atrazine for the Grove Park and Hampton/Opequon systems; therefore, we will not be able to obtain a waiver for that particular test. In order to obtain a waiver for the remaining SOCs, we have to first collect information pertaining to the use of chemicals on properties within 1,000 feet of the wellhead. The Authority has issued letters to the affected properties and has received a majority of the responses; however, we are still waiting to hear from approximately 20 property owners at this time.

Mrs. Gill informed the Board that when the 2013 budget was finalized the Authority did not anticipate having to test for the SOCs, especially on a quarterly basis; therefore, the budgeted amount for the analytical testing will be exceeded. Mr. Swales indicated the Authority may want to revise its budget, but Mr. Miller stated that would not be necessary due to having excess monies in other expense accounts. It is a matter of how the numbers are interpreted; however, we could easily prepare a modified budget.

**4-Log Removal** – Mr. Miller indicated that the 4-log removal/inactivation of bacteria officially started on April 1, 2013 for both systems. The Authority had to register each system as a certified lab to report free chlorine residuals each month to the PA DEP. We had been using Fairway Laboratories to take and report both the bacteria and free chlorine results once per month; however, SBWJA will now be handling the free chlorine reporting because of the costs associated with having the lab complete the work.

**Rules and Regulations** – Mr. Miller has been unable to start his review of the Authority's rules and regulations as discussed during a previous meeting. Mr. Miller requested the Board obtain a proposal from Hazen and Sawyer to complete a cursory review of the rules & regulations in comparison to State College Borough Water Authority's (SCBWA). The Board authorized Hazen and Sawyer to provide a proposal for a review of the Authority's current rules and regulations in comparison to SCBWA's.

**SOLICITOR'S REPORT:** Mr. Campbell was absent from the meeting.

Mr. Book entered the meeting at 6:42 p.m.

**ENGINEER'S REPORT:** See the attached Engineer's Report which has been made a part of these official Meeting Minutes.

**GUESTS:** There were no Guests present.

**CORRESPONDENCE:**

**Certificate of Liability Insurance** – We received an updated Certificate of Liability Insurance from Hazen and Sawyer, P.C. for their renewal.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

**Geothermal Heating Systems** – Mr. Swales indicated that he is working on preparing his letter to the Benner Township Supervisors regarding the impacts of Geothermal Heating Systems within close proximity to our Authority wells.

**NEW BUSINESS:** There was no New Business presented for discussion.

**ACTION ITEMS:**

-Andy Swales to prepare a letter to send to the Benner Township Supervisors regarding Geothermal Heating systems and their impact on the Authority's wells.

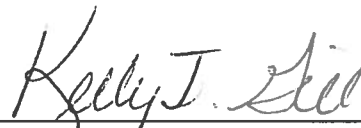
-Hazen and Sawyer to provide a proposal for a cursory review of BTWA rules & regulations in comparison to State College Borough Water Authority's rules & regulations.

**Next regular scheduled meeting is May 21<sup>st</sup> at 6:30 p.m.**

**ADJOURNMENT:**

**Mr. Swales moved, seconded by Mr. Lanich to adjourn the meeting at 6:46 p.m. 3 ayes, 0 nays, 2 absent. The motion carried.**

Respectfully submitted,



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Kelly J. Gill, Recording Secretary

CC: Benner Township 6/20/2013

**Benner Township Water Authority**  
**April 16, 2013**

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**HAZEN AND SAWYER**  
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April 12, 2013

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**RE: Engineer's Status Report**  
**April 2013**

Dear Authority:

The following summarizes the actions completed on your behalf:

**Retained Engineer (90120-000)**

The water systems are running well, and we do not have anything to report. Jean will be at the meeting from the start, and I will be hurrying back from an afternoon meeting in Pennsburg, PA.

**PERU Water Line Extension (90096-000)**

Since our last written report, we provided final record drawings. We are coming up on the one year anniversary. We will need to consider what, if anything, we need to do.

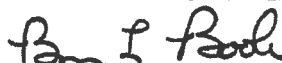
**DEP Permitting (90120-001)**

The DEP Permitting work is complete.

We look forward to discussing these and other matters that may come before the Authority at your meeting tonight. Should you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me at 814-470-0778.

Very truly yours,

HAZEN AND SAWYER, P.C.



Brian L. Book, P.E.  
Senior Associate