

BENNER TOWNSHIP WATER AUTHORITY

REGULAR MEETING

January 20, 2015

ATTENDANCE:

AUTHORITY MEMBERS PRESENT: Tom Eby
Steve Lanich
Jerry May
Andrew Swales

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

CALL TO ORDER:

The January 20, 2015, Regular Meeting of the Benner Township Water Authority was called to order at 6:35 P.M. by Tom Eby, Chairman.

ELECTION OF 2015 OFFICERS:

Mr. Eby opened the nominations.

Mr. Lanich made a motion to retain the same officers from the previous year and Mr. May seconded Mr. Lanich's motion. 3 ayes, 0 nays, 2 absent. The motion carried. Attached is a list of Officers/Board Members for 2015 that is made a part of these official Minutes.

Mr. Eby closed the nominations.

Mr. Swales entered the meeting at 6:36 p.m.

APPOINTMENT OF PROFESSIONAL SERVICES:

Mr. Lanich moved, seconded by Mr. Swales to retain the following Professional Services for 2015:

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| Solicitor | Miller, Kistler & Campbell (Richard Campbell) |
| Accountant | Baker Tilly Virchow Krause (Formerly Parente Beard) |
| Engineer | Hazen and Sawyer, P.C. |

4 ayes, 0 nays, 1 absent. **The motion carried.**

APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES:

The Minutes of the December 16, 2014 regular meeting were presented for review. **Mr. Eby moved, seconded by Mr. Lanich to approve the Minutes of the December 16, 2014 Regular Meeting as presented. 4 ayes, 0 nays, 1 absent. The motion carried.**

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Mr. Lanich reviewed the Treasurer's Report as presented. Mr. Eby asked the Board if there were any questions regarding the Paid Checks or Bills by Vendor submitted for approval. **Mr. Eby moved, seconded by Mr. Swales to approve the Treasurer's Report as presented, the Paid Checks in the amount of \$4,004.73 and Bills by Vendor in the amount of \$5,114.38. 4 ayes, 0 nays, 1 absent. The motion carried.**

SBWJA REPORT:

Doug Smith Reimbursement- Doug Smith has provided receipts for his costs associated with connecting the water line from Opequon to Crestview. Mr. Miller indicated Mr. Smith provided approximately \$5000 in receipts and he believes Mr. Smith would be entitled to approximately \$125 per connection.

Mr. Miller has contacted Hazen and Sawyer for assistance with determining how best to proceed with handling Mr. Smith's reimbursement. If an Act 57 Study has to be completed, those costs would be incorporated into the study resulting in an increased reimbursement component. Mr. Miller has also contacted Dick Campbell for his opinion on whether or not an Act 57 study is necessary and is waiting for a response.

Board Reappointment – Mr. Miller informed the Board that the Benner Township Supervisors have reappointed Mr. Andrew Swales to serve another five year term on the Water Authority Board.

PA DEP Sanitary Survey – Mr. Miller met with the PA DEP Sanitarian, Valerie Elsasser, this week to complete the sanitary surveys of the water systems. In 2012, the PA DEP incorporated a checklist into the survey which involves a very detailed inspection. The inspection identified the wells will need sanitary seals (lids) and flow arrows will need added to the piping within the well house. Mr. Miller estimates these corrections to cost the Authority approximately \$1000.

During the survey it was also noted that the permit requires us to control a 100' radius around the wellhead. Mr. Miller expressed concern with the Authority not owning enough property surrounding the well to attain this requirement. The Opequon and Hampton wells should fall within that guideline; however, there are vacant lots surrounding the Grove Park well that would prevent this from happening. The Board suggested Mr. Miller contact Dick Campbell to determine how to proceed with handling the well head protection plan.

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

ENGINEER'S REPORT: Ms. Ryan had nothing to report.

GUESTS: There were no Guests present.

CORRESPONDENCE: There was no Correspondence presented for discussion.

OLD BUSINESS: There was no Old Business presented for discussion.

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

ACTION ITEMS:

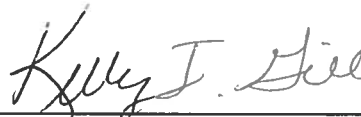
-Warren Miller to work with Dick Campbell regarding Smith reimbursement and well head protection

Next regular scheduled meeting is February 17th at 6:30 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT:

Mr. Lanich moved, seconded by Mr. Swales to adjourn the meeting at 7:12 p.m. 4 ayes, 0 nays, 1 absent. The motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,



Kelly J. Gill, Recording Secretary

CC: Benner Township 03/18/2015

**Benner Township
Water Authority**

2015 OFFICERS & MEMBERS

Thomas Eby, Chairman
Andrew Swales, Vice Chairman
Steve Lanich, Treasurer
Gary Shultz, Secretary
Jerry May