

# MINUTES OF THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING March 22. 2023

**PRESENT:** John Cordisco, Bryan Allen, Michael Schwartz and Raymond Richardson

Scott Holbert, Esquire; Jason Hillaert, CFO; Russell Dunlevy, P.E.; Steven Hartman, P.E; Anne M. O'Toole, Executive Assistant and Sarah Schaffer, Administrative Assistant

VIA ZOOM:

Patricia K. Poprik

**NOT PRESENT:** 

Benjamin W. Jones, CEO

#### **CALL TO ORDER:**

The BCWSA's Chairman, John Cordisco, called the Regular Meeting of BCWSA to order at 9:30 A.M.

**PUBLIC COMMENT: None** 

#### **MINUTES:**

Mr. Allen moved, moved, Mr. Richardson seconded the motion that approved the Minutes of the BCWSA's Regular Board Meeting on February 22, 2022. Mr. Schwartz abstained from voting due to his absence at the meeting. (minutes are attached to the Minute Book)

Mr. Cordisco called an Executive Session.

Mr. Holbert stated the Board of Directors met in Executive Session for approximately fifteen minutes to discuss a personnel issue and a labor negotiation item. There will be an agenda item added to new business.

REPORT OF THE CEO: Jason Hillaert, CFO on behalf of Benjamin W. Jones

-Authorization to Award-

# -2023 Electrical Supplies-

Ms. Poprik moved, Mr. Richardson seconded the motion that unanimously approved awarding the Electrical Bid Contract for a two (2) year period to Yale Electrical Supply, representing a 13% decrease over the last contract. (see memo from BWJ dated 3/22/23 & bid tabulation attached to the Minute Book)



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#### -2023 Road Materials-

Ms. Poprik moved, Mr. Richardson the motion that unanimously approved awarding the Road Materials Contract in conjunction with the Bucks County Consortium of Municipalities. The choice of vendor is dependent upon the proximity of the supply point, or quarry to the job site. (see memo from BWJ dated 3/22/23 & bid tabulation attached to the Minute Book)

# -Sewer Service Agreement; Upper Dublin Township-

Ms. Poprik moved, Mr. Richardson seconded the motion that unanimously approved the Sewer Service Agreement between BCWSA and Madison at Dresher for the proposed construction of three (3) – five (5) story apartment buildings located in Upper Dublin Township. (see memo from BWJ dated 3/22/23 and agreement attached to the Minute Book)

# -Waiver of one (1) EDU-

Ms. Poprik moved, Mr. Richardson seconded the motion that unanimously approved the waiver of one (1) EDU for the Warrington Historical Society's historic one room schoolhouse located in Warrington Township. (see memo from BWJ dated 3/22/23and Resolution Number 1998-13 attached to the Minute Book)

#### **ENGINEERS REPORT**

#### Gilmore & Associates

Russell Dunlevy P.E., had no Engineers Report to present to the Board of Directors.

#### Carroll Engineering Corporation

Mr. Hartman, P.E., reviewed the Consulting Engineer's Report dated February 15, 2023.

#### -Neshaminy Interceptor Lining (Contract S-46A)

Ms. Poprik moved, Mr. Richardson seconded the motion that unanimously approved Application and Certificate for Payment No. 19 for Contract S-46A in the amount of \$1,039,928.33 be paid to Spiniello Companies, as recommended by the Consulting Engineer.

Mr. Cordisco asked if the project was bid previously. Mr. Hartman stated yes, it was awarded to Spiniello in 2020. Mr. Cordisco asked when the project would be completed and the total amount. Mr. Hartman stated the project was originally estimated at ten (10) million dollars and 3.8 million dollars was added in extra work because of additional lining needed. The total for the project was 13.9 million which was all bonded for previously.



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Mr. Cordisco asked if it was awarded as one contract in which Spiniello was awarded. Mr. Hartman said yes that Spiniello was the lowest responsive bidder. Mr. Cordisco asked what union was responsible for doing the work. Mr. Hartman stated they had to meet all the requirements and they submitted all their paper work but he would need to look over the original paper work to check. He was not certain what union personnel is involved in the maintenance of the bypass. Mr. Cordisco then stated he would like to see that original paperwork.

Mr. Hartman stated the project is at about eight-six (86%) percent complete. They are on the final stretch and lining started the other day. Mr. Cordisco asked if this a result of a maintenance issue or a problem with the interceptor. Mr. Hartman advised it goes back a number of years with DEP and the tributary and wet weather flow, all of which was to get the extra capacity that is needed for the interceptor.

#### -Manhole Rehabilitation-

Ms. Poprik moved, Mr. Richardson seconded the motion that unanimously approved the payment of the invoice submitted by Advanced Rehabilitation Technology (ART) in the amount of \$14,891.25 for manhole rehabilitation in various service areas, as recommended by the Consulting Engineer.

# -Siles Pump Station Emergency Generator (Contract W-108)-

Ms. Poprik moved, Mr. Richardson seconded the motion that unanimously approved Application and Certificate for final Payment (No. 3) in the amount of \$63,361.43 associated with the startup of the generator system in January, as well as the completion of punch list items and project close-out procedures, as recommended by the Consulting Engineer.

#### SOLICITOR'S REPORT: Scott Holbert, Esquire

## -Contractor Services Agreement; Richland-

Ms. Poprik moved, Mr. Richardson seconded the motion that unanimously approved the Contractor Services Agreement between MRPI Heller Logistics, LLC and BCWSA for various maintenance, repair, and operational services related to their pump station located in Richland Township. (see memo from BWJ dated 3/22/23 and agreement attached to the Minute Book)

# REPORT OF THE CFO/CONTROLLER

## -Bills for Payment-

Jason Hillaert, CFO presented a List of Bills and Requisitions that were prepared by in-house staff and he recommended Board approval.



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Ms. Poprik moved, Mr. Richardson seconded the motion that unanimously approved the Bills for Approval and the List of Requisitions dated 03/22/23. (list of bills and requisitions attached to the Minute Book)

**OLD BUSINESS:** Nothing to Report

## **NEW BUSINESS:**

# -Labor Negotiations-

Ms. Poprik moved Mr. Allen seconded the motion that unanimously authorized David Truelove, Esquire to begin negotiations with the American Federation of State and County Municipal Employees. (AFSCME)

## **ADJOURNMENT:**

There being no further business to be presented to the Board, Mr. Allen moved, Ms. Poprik seconded the motion that unanimously adjourned the meeting.

DATE

SECRETARY

NEXT REGULAR BOARD MEETING; APRIL 26, 2023 9:30 AM



