

# MINUTES OF THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING December 20, 2023

PRESENT:

John Cordisco; Patricia K. Poprik; Bryan Allen; Michael Schwartz and

Raymond Richardson

Benjamin W. Jones, CEO; Jason Hillaert, CFO; Scott Holbert, Esquire; Steven Hartman, P.E; Anne M. O'Toole, Executive Assistant and Sarah

Schaffer, Administrative Assistant

**VISITORS:** 

Brian Thierrin, Toll Brothers

#### CALL TO ORDER:

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

The Solicitor stated that the Board of Directors met in Executive Session for approximately thirty minutes prior to the start of the Board Meeting to discuss two (2) items of litigation. No action was required by the Board Members.

#### PLEDGE ALLEGIANCE:

Those present, pledged allegiance to the flag.

#### **PUBLIC COMMENT:**

Mr. Thierrin, Toll Brothers addressed the Board of Directors to thank them for the help with the Steeple Run Project in Richland Township and stated that construction will begin shortly. He asked the Board if they could assist him with a project in Newtown Township. It is a 45- lot subdivision on Twining and Durham Road. Toll Brothers submitted this project in June of 2022 to be placed on the Connection Management Plan (CMP) and have followed up with no response from Newtown. His request was to the Board of Directors, that they may assist him on getting the project on the (CMP). They need the capacity certified and asked if the Authority could help him expedite the process.



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Mr. Jones gave an update on the Agreement with DEP and explained the Connection Management Plan (CMP). Mr. Jones stated that the CMP controls the amount of flow that goes through the interceptor. This is an ongoing process. We have been working with Newtown, and there are two (2) excessive users, Newtown and Northampton Township. DEP and EPA are looking at our flows to make sure we are controlling it. The flow has to be reduced; DEP has to agree and sign off on the CMP. Mr. Hartman stated that after many requests, we have not gotten any progress updates from Newtown on how they are addressing the excessive flows. We have meter records and our next course of action would be to place them on a moratorium and cut off capacity.

Mr. Cordisco stated that we need Newtown's prompt response on their Corrective Action Plan. (CAP) Mr. Cordisco directed Mr. Hartman and Mr. Jones to prepare a letter for his signature that we will place them on a moratorium, and we expect a response from them in thirty days.

#### **MINUTES:**

Mr. Richardson moved, Mr. Allen seconded the motion that approved the Minutes from the BCWSA Regular Meeting held on November 22, 2023. Ms. Poprik abstained from voting due to her absence at that meeting. (Minutes are attached to the Minute Book)

REPORT OF THE CEO: Benjamin W. Jones

**Bid Award** 

-Tank Cleaning and Disposal (re-bid)-

Ms. Poprik moved, Mr. Richardson seconded the motion that unanimously approved awarding the Contract for the Tank Cleaning and Disposal (re-bid) to the lowest responsive bidder, Wind River Environmental, in the amount of \$66,281.80 for a two-year period. (memo from BWJ dated 12/20/23 and bid tabulation is attached to the Minute Book)

# -Sewer Connection Agreement; Lower Makefield Township-

Ms. Poprik moved, Mr. Richardson seconded the motion that unanimously approved the Sewer Connection Agreement between BCWSA and Prickett Preserve at Edgewood for the proposed construction of two hundred (200) unit residential apartments and nine (9) commercial buildings requiring the purchase of 135 EDUs in Lower Makefield Township. (memo from BWJ dated 12/20/23 and agreement are attached to the Minute Book)





# -Sewer Connection Agreement; Lower Makefield Township-

Ms. Poprik moved, Mr. Schwartz seconded the motion that unanimously approved the Sewer Connection Agreement between BCWSA and Prickett Preserve at Edgewood for the proposed construction of a club house requiring the purchase of two (2) EDUs in Lower Makefield Township. (memo from BWJ dated 12/20/23 and agreement are attached to the Minute Book)

## -Reservation of Capacity (ROC); Bensalem Township-

Ms. Poprik moved, Mr. Richardson seconded the motion that unanimously approved the ROC Agreement between BCWSA and Delaware Valley Residential Care for the proposed construction of a medical center with ninety (90) bed live-in health units, requiring the purchase of 19 EDUs in Bensalem Township. (memo from BWJ dated 12/20/23 and agreement are attached to the Minute Book)

# -Deed of Dedication; Springfield Township-

Ms. Poprik moved, Mr. Schwartz seconded the motion that unanimously approved the dedication of the sanitary sewer facilities and easements that service thirty-two (32) age- qualified single-family homes known as Squires Ridge located in Springfield Township. (memo from BWJ dated 12/20/23 and agreement are attached to the Minute Book)

#### **ENGINEERS REPORT**

### Gilmore & Associates

Mr. Dunlevy reviewed the Engineer's report dated 12/20/23 (copy is attached to the Minute Book)

# Upper Dublin Township Municipal Authority Reimbursement and Indemnity Agreement

Ms. Poprik moved, Mr. Richardson seconded the motion that unanimously approved the Indemnity Agreement with Upper Dublin Township Municipal Authority for Phase 3 of the Fort Washington Cross County Trail & Road Project, as recommended by the Engineer. (agreement is attached to the Minute Book)

## Carroll Engineering Corporation

Steven Hartman, P.E., had no Consulting Engineer's Report to present to the Board of Directors.



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

## -Sewer Service Agreement; Richland Township-

Ms. Poprik moved, Mr. Schwartz seconded the motion that unanimously approved the Sewer Service Agreement between BCWSA and Toll Mid-Atlantic LP. Company Inc. for the proposed construction of a thirty-nine (39) unit residential subdivision in Richland Township. (memo from BWJ dated 12/20/23 and agreement are attached to the Minute Book)

## -License Agreement; New Hope Borough-

Ms. Poprik moved, Mr. Richardson seconded the motion that unanimously approved the License Agreement between BCWSA and Towle Brothers that will allow the Authority to access property to service a water tower on River Road in New Hope Borough. (memo from Scott Holbert, Esquire and agreement are attached to the Minute Book)

#### -Resolution 2023-08-

Ms. Poprik moved, Mr. Richardson seconded the motion unanimously adopting Resolution 2023-08 associated with the Assumption of the Doylestown Pennvest Loan for the Woodbridge and Pebble Ridge sanitary sewer improvements. (Resolution is attached to the Minute Book)

## REPORT OF THE CFO/CONTROLLER

#### -Bills for Payment-

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

Ms. Poprik moved, Mr. Schwartz seconded the motion that unanimously approved the Bills for Payment dated 12/20/23. (list of bills is attached to the Minute Book)

**OLD BUSINESS:** Nothing to Report





#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

## Reorganization Meeting 2024

Ms. Poprik moved, Mr. Schwartz seconded the motion that unanimously approved scheduling the BCWSA Reorganization and Regular Board Meeting for Wednesday, January 10, 2024.

## ADJOURNMENT:

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

ASST. SECRETARY / TREASURER

NEXT REGULAR BOARD MEETING; JANUARY 10, 2024 9:30 AM



