

Minutes of the Fox Chapel Authority Board of Directors held Tuesday March 29th, 2022.

Due to the continued Covid-19 pandemic meetings have been a mix of in-person attendance, Zoom calls, and phone conference calling. This should be expected to continue to be the normal process for some time.

Board of Directors present

Mrs. A. C. Lehman, President (Zoom)
Mr. J. A. Domaratz, Vice President (Present)
Mr. D. Newman, Treasurer (Present)
Mrs. S. M. Mantia, Secretary (Zoom)
Mr. P. A. Iurlano (Zoom)
Mrs. N. S. Snider (Present)
Mr. C. Pegher (Zoom)

Others present

Mr. M. S. Moore, Bankson Engineers, Inc. (Present)
Mr. S. Garin, Dinsmore & Shohl (Zoom)
Mr. Justin C. Jump, Manager (Present)

Mrs. Lehman, President, presided and called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m.

Approval of February 2022 Meeting Minutes

Mr. Newman made a motion to approve the February meeting minutes, as amended updating the board member titles, and Mrs. Mantia seconded, all voted in favor.

Visiting Delegations/Comment Period

None.

Financial Report

Mr. Jump provided the income statement and balance sheet for February 2022 and the budgeted statement of income for review before the meeting. Mr. Jump reviewed the details under the Statement of Income and Comprehensive Income. Mr. Jump also reviewed and commented on the Budgeted Statement of Income.

Consulting Engineer's Report

Mr. Moore reviewed the current status of the review of the bid package for the replacement SCADA system. Mr. Moore advised that it will be ready for bidding at next month's meeting.

Mr. Moore reviewed the Senator Casey FY23 Appropriations request. Any applications for this funding are due April 25th, 2022. Mr. Moore and Mr. Jump to review potential projects and apply for this funding.

Solicitor's Report

Mr. Sean Garin attended on behalf of Mr. Ditka.

Mr. Garin commented that Mr. Ditka has the PWSA contract discussions between PWSA and the Fox Chapel Authority on his agenda.

Manager's Report

Mr. Jump reviewed the items on the monthly manager report.

Mr. Jump reviewed the recent non-revenue water percentage and discussed this is likely due to a higher number of leaks in the past two months. Leak detection efforts continue to isolate potential areas of water main leaks.

Mr. Jump advised on the supply chain issues with the material, mainly piping for this year's maintenance and projects. A large order was placed, and received for 8" and 6" piping for potential breaks and projects for FY2022. This material was ordered under 2021 pricing and before any fuel surcharges were due to go into effect.

Mr. Jump reviewed the status of the office upgrade, the union contract negotiation, the 2021 financial audit with Louis Plung, and potential projects for the 2023 Senator Casey Appropriations, including possible booster chlorination.

Committee Reports

Mr. Domartaz reviewed the current status of the ongoing Union contract discussions and advised we are planning to have a draft contract in place for the April meeting. Negotiations have been ongoing and plan to be wrapped up before the contract expires at the end of April.

Old Business

Mr. Garin to speak to Mr. Ditka about the status of the PWSA contract.

Mr. Jump discussed the status of the meter replacement program and the continued monitoring of the meter pilot program.

Mr. Jump reviewed the Fox Chapel Authority pension program and the active and inactive participants.

New Business

Mr. Jump advised on the status of the 2021 Audit that was started by Louis Plung and Associates with the team from Love, Scherle, and Bauer that has been acquired by Louis Plung.

Mr. Jump advised on the recent discussions that the Authority and its distribution team have been having with the DEP along with representatives from Aspinwall, Blawnox, and Bankson Engineers. The Authority will continue to have discussions going forward on any possibilities of adding booster to chlorination if needed.

Mr. Jump along with Mr. Moore advised the board of the potential funding through the Fy23 Senator Casey Appropriations. Mr. Jump and Mr. Moore will discuss any potential projects for this funding and submit applications.

Adjustment Requests

Mr. Jump advised that there were two adjustment requests and reviewed the details of these requests that met the requirements of the Authority's adjustment policy. Since these adjustments met the

criteria of the policy, no vote was needed. Mr. Iurlano recused himself from consideration on the second adjustment request.

Executive Session

There was no executive session for this meeting.

Board Comments

Mr. Pegher commented on the Board Member seminar presented by the PMAA located in Cranberry and will summarize what was reviewed at the seminar in a report to the Board at the next meeting.

Adjournment

There being no further business, Mr. Newman made a motion to adjourn, which was seconded by Mrs. Mantia. All voted in favor. The meeting was adjourned.