

BOROUGH OF BUENA  
MUNICIPAL UTILITIES AUTHORITY  
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The regular meeting of the BBMUA was held on April 26, 2017 at 7 p.m. This meeting notice was provided to The Daily Journal and the Atlantic County Record which are the BBMUA's official newspapers. Notices are also posted on the bulletin boards within the Municipal Building as well as the Borough of Buena and BBMUA's websites. The meeting took place in the large meeting room located in the Municipal Building, Minotola.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Joseph Santagata.

Those present were:

R. Baker	C. Santore	Roy Gazzara 1701 S. Central Ave
J. Formisano in at 7:04 pm	A. Zorzi	Charles Bramble 1615 S. Central Ave
J. Johnston	R. Smith	
J. Santagata	R. Casella	
J. Alvarez	S. Testa	

At the last regular meeting held on April 12, 2017 the board was presented with a letter and resolution from The Borough of Buena requesting \$110,000.00 from the BBMUA for their budget year 2017. The BBMUA board voted to prepare a budget amendment that would allow us to turn over the funds to the Borough for the 2017 budget year. The Budget Amendment was prepared and sent to the State of NJ DLGS and approved to move forward with the adoption. Therefore, the board adopted resolution R-15-2017.

m/Baker s/Johnston to adopt Resolution R-15-2017 to amend the 2017 Approved Water and Sewer Budget in the amount of \$110,000.00 to cover the allowable appropriation to the Borough of Buena pursuant to P.L. 2004, c.87. m/passed

Roll Call: R. Baker – yes; J. Johnston – yes; J. Alvarez – yes; J. Santagata – yes  
R. Delano – absent; J. Formisano – absent

Roy Gazzara and Charles Bramble were in attendance at tonight's meeting regarding the running of a sanitary sewer extension down Louis Drive. Mr. Gazzara stated that they were told at the Borough of Buena council meeting by the Mayor that they were going to get sewer down Louis Drive and asked what the time frame is for installing the sewer extension and how long the residents will have to connect to the system. The BBMUA's Engineer stated that at the last council meeting he attended both of these gentlemen had inquired with council about the sewer down Louis Drive and the Borough stated that they are a few years away from being able to take care of the drainage problem and they would like the BBMUA to go ahead with installing the sanitary sewer extension and restore the road with a temporary road restoration until such time they can address the drainage. With that being said Mr. Smith stated that if the board would like he can have

his office prepare a proposal and submit it to the board for the preparation and advertisement of the bid documents and the inspection of the installation of the sanitary sewer extension. The treatment works approval expires on June 30, 2017 however, as you will hear in his report later in the meeting the necessary paperwork has been filed to extend the permit for one year. Chairman Santagata stated that he spoke with the Borough Road Supervisor who indicated that the Borough would not be doing the drainage project and that the BBMUA should go ahead with the sewer extension. The board stated that they would like the Engineer to prepare the proposal. Mr. Gazzara asked when we would start the installation project. Robert Smith stated that if they submit a proposal to the BBMUA board at the next meeting and they approve it, it would take a few weeks to prepare the plan specifications for public bid, another two weeks to bid, another couple of weeks to get the contracts in place and then we could start construction after that. Mr. Gazzara asked how much time the people on Louis Drive have to hook up to the system. Mr. Smith stated that time frame may be in our sewer connection rules and regulations. Mr. Zorzi stated that he believes when we extended down Kimberly Lane the time frame was different and that he would research it. Chairman Santagata stated that we would work with the residents that wanted to connect.

Robert Smith of Remington, Vernick & Walberg informed the board that the letter was sent to John Maselli of the New Jersey DEP Division of Water Quality Bureau of Construction and Connection Permits requesting an extension of the NJDEP Treatment Works Approval Permit expiration date for the Louis Drive Sanitary Sewer Extension along with all appropriate forms and payment. If the extension is granted it will be good for one more year.

Mr. Smith elaborated on the email that was received from Ben Parvey of Blue Sky Power stating that the solar project has received all approvals and the transaction for the adjacent land has closed. Mr. Parvey submitted a copy of a power purchase agreement to the Solicitor and the Board for their review and comments. The BBMUA will have to enter into the Power Purchase Agreement with Cambria Solar in order to begin construction. The Borough of Buena Land Use Board just signed off on the final plans this week, the subdivision has been filed, and they consummated the land transaction and have control over the land now. Therefore Cambria Solar will be moving forward with the design and permitting process with the construction official and then move forward with construction and we will tie in as soon as possible once the project is complete. Mr. Casella of Testa, Heck, Testa and White, stated that he has begun reviewing the PPA and will present their comments and recommendations at the next scheduled meeting at the end of May before they make the final recommendation to the board.

Chairman Santagata asked the engineer and Plant Superintendent Zorzi if there is any plan to extend the sanitary sewer down Harding Highway toward the Padre Pio Shrine area. Mr. Zorzi stated that per the MOA with the Pinelands he doesn't believe that we can extend sewer to that area. Mr. Smith stated that Atlantic County did not include that area into the allowed sewer service area map. Mr. Smith stated that he doesn't believe that area is in the proper Pinelands zoning district for sanitary sewer.

Steve Testa of Romano, Hearing, Testa & Knorr stated that the State of NJ finally released the GASB 68 pension information and the actuarial information. Mr. Testa's office can now do their calculations and testing on that to put in the 2016 Audit. They have picked up some of the work papers and information and will begin their field work next week.

Ms. Santore reminded the board members to file their Local Government Ethics Financial Disclosure Statements if they have not already done so. The deadline to file is April 30, 2017. Ms. Santore asked that if you file yours on your own that you provide her with a copy of the electronic filing receipt to keep in your personnel file. Please note there is a fine from the Local Finance Board if filing is not completed by the deadline.

m/Johnston s/Alvarez to approve the minutes of the regular meeting held on April 12, 2017. m/passed

m/Johnston s/Alvarez to approve the minutes of the executive closed session meeting held on April 12, 2017. m/passed

Plant Superintendent Alan Zorzi informed the board that the piping on the 1969 Sludge Holding Tank is leaking. Mr. Zorzi obtained a quote from our contracted Plumbing and Mechanical Contractor Falasca Mechanical to repair the pipe. Falasca came back with a price not to exceed \$7,400.00.

m/Baker s/Formisano to allow Falasca Mechanical to repair the leaking pipe on the 1969 Sludge Holding Tank in an amount not to exceed \$7,400.00. m/passed

m/Baker s/Johnston to file all correspondence sent out for review without reading number 1 through number 3. m/passed

The next regular meeting will be held on May 10, 2017 at 7:00 p.m.

m/Johnston s/Alvarez to adjourn the meeting 7:17 p.m. m/passed

Submitted by  
Cheryl Santore-BBMUA Secretary