

BOROUGH OF BUENA
MUNICIPAL UTILITIES AUTHORITY
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The regular meeting of the BBMUA was held on May 10, 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
R. Delano	A. Zorzi
J. Formisano	
J. Johnston	
J. Santagata	

Information was provided to the board regarding past practice with sewer extensions so the board could decide on how to handle the Louis Drive sanitary sewer extension if the project comes to fruition. This information included a copy of the resolution adopted on 7/28/99 amending the rules and regulations of the Authority respecting the time frame for payment of sewer connection fees for existing homes affected by projects implemented by the Authority involving the extension of sewer lines, a copy of the resolution for sewer connection fees for the Kimberly Lane sewer extension, a copy of the proposal for the Louis Drive sewer extension in 2011 from Remington, Vernick & Walberg, a copy of what has already been paid to RVW in 2011 in regard to this proposal, minutes from the August 11, 2010 regular meeting regarding the Louis Drive sewer extension, and a listing of the possible homeowners who will be affected by the Louis Drive sewer extension for discussion purposes. Edward Dennis of Remington, Vernick & Walberg submitted another proposal to Chairman Santagata for the public bidding and construction services for the Louis Drive Sanitary Sewer Extension for an amount not to exceed \$36,500.00. Chairman Santagata stated that he hates to delay this project but he feels that there may be some problems and questions regarding the new proposal. Chairman Santagata asked Plant Superintendent Alan Zorzi to elaborate a little bit on the questions that he had regarding the proposal. Mr. Zorzi stated that at the last meeting the board questioned how we charged our residents in the past for sewer extensions and he did a little bit of research and found the resolution adopted on 7/28/99 regarding the rules and regulations. Mr. Zorzi did have a few questions regarding the new proposal. Mr. Zorzi asked Robert Smith about the preparation of the construction plans based upon the permit plans

because we have a set of final plans that we already paid for. Mr. Smith stated they may have to be adjusted. Mr. Zorzi also questioned the part time on-site construction observations services and asked if we were to have an inspector on hand and Mr. Smith stated that an inspector will be on-site through the duration of the job. Research was done and information was pulled and provided to the board so the board can be aware of what has been spent to date on this project and where we are. We need to look at what has been budgeted for this extension and the turnaround time on when we would get this money back. We need to look at the cost of the project and evaluate how long it will take to recoup the money it will cost to run this extension. The board needs to decide how long they will give the homeowners to tie into the system and pay their connection fees. They also need to decide if they will begin to bill the quarterly sewer fee once the project is complete. Mr. Zorzi stated that as the Superintendent of the plant he has other questions, such as if the drainage issue isn't going to be addressed by the Borough of Buena how will the additional flow of unnecessary water that will be infiltrating through the vented manholes be handled, etc. This water might shoot your flows up so high that it will prevent other sewer connections based on our limits set by the NJDEP. You also need to take into consideration that the pumping station that will be handling this water is not huge and it will be pumping it into another pumping station that we are checking right now because the storm event flows are a problem now without the added extension. The board's opinion was to send letters back out to the homeowner's again and try to get a consensus as to how many people want to connect to the sewer if it is extended down Louis Drive. The board also decided to ask Remington, Vernick & Walberg to give us a price for just going out to bid. Once we have this information at the next meeting we will discuss this further.

A letter was sent from Robert Smith of Remington, Vernick & Walberg to Mr. Thomas Guertler, Vice President of Municipal Maintenance Co. returning one fully executed contract for their records and requesting a preconstruction meeting to begin the project.

A letter was received from Peter Mitt of Engineering Design Associates by Robert Smith of Remington, Vernick & Walberg regarding the water and sanitary sewer application for the Liberty Village project to be located on Block 145 Lot 9.

A letter was sent from Robert Smith of Remington, Vernick & Walberg to Mr. Thomas Guertler, Vice President of Municipal Maintenance Co. establishing May 9, 2017 as the date for the Notice to Proceed for the project to repair the Kompress Belt Filter Press System.

An email was received from Robert Smith of Remington, Vernick & Walberg providing the minutes for the preconstruction meeting that was held on May 9, 2017 with Municipal Maintenance Co. regarding the project to repair the Kompress Belt Filter Press System.

m/Formisano s/Baker to approve the treasurer's report as read.

m/passed

Secretary Treasurer, Cheryl Santore, notified the board members that the deadline to file the Local Government Ethics Financial Disclosure Statements has been extended to May 30, 2017. The notice was received on Monday with the extension date. 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.

Ms. Santore also notified the board that she went to the Borough's meeting on Monday night for the OPRA and OPMA. NJFOG was there and gave a presentation about government and public transparency. She felt this was very informative.

m/Baker s/Delano to approve the minutes of the regular meeting held on April 26, 2017.

m/passed

Plant Superintendent Alan Zorzi informed the board that he received a letter from the EPA to all small public water system contacts regarding the monitoring review sheet for the fourth cycle of the Unregulated Contaminant Monitoring Rule. Mr. Zorzi filled out the necessary information and sent it in.

Mr. Zorzi received a letter from Tamiko Green of the State of NJ DEP Division of Water Quality Office of Permit Management regarding the NJPDES Permit Application Notice of Administrative Completeness. The application has been forwarded to the Bureau of Pretreatment and Residuals for technical review.

Plant Superintendent Zorzi also informed the board that the MBR recovery cleans were performed and the filters responded well. These cleans were performed early. We usually don't do this until the end of May but GE noticed a sharp decline in the membrane performance and asked that they be done early. The membranes were returned back to almost new condition.

m/Baker s/Delano to file all correspondence sent out for review without reading number 1 through number 9.

m/passed

m/Baker s/Johnston to pay all bills presented for the month of May 2017.

m/passed

The next regular meeting will be held on May 24, 2017 at 7:00 p.m.

m/Delano s/Johnston to adjourn the meeting 7:30 p.m.

m/passed

Submitted by
Cheryl Santore-BBMUA Secretary