

BOROUGH OF BUENA  
MUNICIPAL UTILITIES AUTHORITY  
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The regular meeting of the BBMUA was held on May 13, 2015 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	M. Feaster
J. Mancuso	D. Austino
J. Santagata	A. Zorzi
S. Woshnak	M. Capizola on behalf of John Caselli Jr.

A letter of resignation from the BBMUA board was received from Francisco Soto effective April 24, 2015. It is with regret that we must accept his resignation. Thank you for your years of service and dedication to the BBMUA. A copy of the Borough of Buena resolution 47-15 accepting the resignation of Mr. Soto was received as well.

A letter was received from Michael Garcia of Ford Scott Associates LLC requesting documents to perform a Financial Impact Study on the feasibility of incorporating the BBMUA into the Borough's Municipal government. It was asked by Chairman Santagata that cooperation be given in turning the requested documentation over as soon as it is available so the feasibility study can be done.

Mr. Al Lundy of 110 Clara Street had made a payment for his sewer on 4/13/15 via check. On 4/14/15 Mr. Lundy had come in to replace that check because he said he put a stop payment on the check and it would be returned. Upon checking with our bank it did not appear that the check was being returned. Therefore, we did not feel comfortable accepting another check at that time. Mr. Lundy was going to try going to his bank to make good for the check before it was returned. On April 15, 2015 the check was returned on the bank end and the funds were deducted from our account. Procedures for returned checks were followed and a \$10.00 returned check charge was assessed to Mr. Lundy's account. Mr. Lundy is requesting that the \$10.00 charge be waived due to the fact that he tried to make good on the check before it was returned by the bank.

m/Mancuso s/Baker to waive and refund the \$10.00 returned check charge to Mr. Lundy.  
m/passed

Michael Capizola of Capizola, Pancari, Lapham & Fralinger was in attendance tonight on behalf of John Caselli Jr. in reference to the five sewer connections that were approved at the meeting held on April 22, 2015. Mr. Capizola does not understand why the approvals were granted to tie into the sanitary sewer system but the office does not want to accept the fees at this time for the connections. Mr. Capizola doesn't feel that we would want to grant any authority to the township to approve or disapprove the connections. Chairman Santagata stated that he read the MOA and there are 15,000 gallons allotted to Buena Vista Township. He said we do not have to ask them for permission. We can just charge any Buena Vista properties to that allotment. When they reach 15,000 gallons they are done. Mr. Capizola stated that it should be easy to calculate. Mr. Zorzi informed the board that it does not work that way. He stated that 15,000 gallons have to be approved by Buena Vista Township. Mr. Zorzi informed the board that per the MOA Buena Vista Township would have to grant permission to utilize some of the 15,000 gallons allotted to Buena Vista Township. He stated that because we are in the Pinelands we are granted an allotment that we have to abide by. At this time our allotment is 400,000 gallons. If we receive an increase from 400,000 gallons to 600,000 gallons by the NJDEP Buena Vista Township would also receive 1/3 of that increase. Also Mr. Caselli wants to connect into a line that belongs to Buena Vista Campground and it is unable to be determined if that line can handle the added flow. This line dumps into a 4" gravity line and an engineer needs to determine if that line can handle additional capacity. Because we do not know exactly what Mr. Caselli will connect into that line it is hard to determine. Mr. Capizola stated that Mr. Caselli can't connect into that line if it cannot handle additional capacity. But if there is a new line he can hook into it. All Mr. Caselli wants to do is give us money. Mr. Zorzi stated that this is new, however we have to make sure that Buena Vista Township's council is ok with us taking that allowance from their allotment. Chairman Santagata said Buena Vista Township does not have to approve anything. Mr. Capizola said that the MOA does not say Buena Vista Township has to give permission. Mr. Zorzi stated that the BBMUA Solicitor Michael Testa Jr. should be consulted. Sharon Woshnak stated that a line was run all the way down to Fazzolari's. Mr. Zorzi stated that was an agreement that was made between Fazzolari's and Buena Campground. The Fazzolari's line was a service that connected into the Campground line and was not a new line. There are a lot of backups on that line and numerous businesses on that line and it is going to create a bigger problem. Mr. Capizola stated that you have all kinds of connections in Buena Vista Township such as Cranberry Run, Buena Liquors, Burger King, etc. that can be deducted from the 15,000 gallon allowance. Mr. Zorzi stated that those were connections that were made prior to the signing of the MOA and cannot be taken into account. Mr. Capizola stated that when they were connected should not matter. Chairman Santagata stated that we should tally everything in Buena Vista Township and deduct that from the 15,000 gallon Buena Vista Township allowance. Mr. Zorzi stated that he feels the reason that Cheryl Santore didn't want to accept the funds was because there were not prior approvals granted. Debbie Austino stated that Ms.

Santore also didn't want to open the BBMUA up to any lawsuits by going against the MOA. Chairman Santagata and the board stated that we should take the money. Michael Feaster asked what Michael Testa Jr.'s opinion is on this. Debbie Austino stated that Mr. Testa is in agreement with Ms. Santore. Mr. Capizola stated that just because permits are issued at the time of connection if the capacity and allowance is not there Mr. Caselli won't be able to be connect anyway. Mr. Mancuso stated that even if Mr. Caselli pays now if he doesn't connect within 18 months the money will be refunded to Mr. Caselli. Mr. Zorzi stated that either the money would be refunded or Mr. Caselli will have to start paying usage on the property. The board feels that the money should be accepted from Mr. Caselli. Mr. Santagata asked that a motion be made.

m/Woshnak s/Mancuso to accept the money from Mr. Caselli for the 5 sanitary sewer connections that were approved on April 22, 2015.

Roll Call: Baker – yes; Mancuso – yes; Woshnak – yes; Feaster – no; Santagata – yes

Mr. Curtin of Solis Partners provided correspondence regarding the BPU Grant recipients that were a topic of discussion at the last meeting for the board to review.

Robert Smith of Remington, Vernick & Walberg informed the board that he spoke with Mr. Ron Riesman of the Clean Energy Program. Mr. Reisman informed Mr. Smith that the \$300,000.00 incentive is assignable to another entity other than SunEdison. The application would have to be revised to indicate the new company, however the project would have to be constructed in accordance with the submitted Sun Edison plans.

Mr. Smith sent an email regarding the possibility of having Blue Sky Power, an energy consulting firm that Remington, Vernick & Walberg have worked with on other projects, attend the May 27, 2015 regular meeting to discuss the bidding of a solar energy project. The board feels this would be a good idea to have Blue Sky Power attend the meeting since there are still a lot of questions regarding the solar.

A map of the property that Mr. John Lillie has for sale located at 501 Plymouth Road was provided to the board. Chairman Santagata stated that if the board was interested in the property the tax assessor could be contacted. Also, an appraisal of the property would have to be obtained.

Robert Smith of Remington, Vernick & Walberg returned one fully executed copy of the Electrical Repair and Maintenance Services Contract to Mr. Richard Grouser, Jr., President of Scalfio Electric, Inc., for their records.

Robert Smith of Remington, Vernick & Walberg returned one fully executed copy of the Mechanical and Plumbing Repair and Maintenance Contract to Mr. Daniel Falasca, President of Falasca Mechanical, Inc., for their records.

Robert Smith of Remington, Vernick & Walberg informed the board that there were no bids received at the bid opening on Thursday, May 7, 2015 for the furnishing and delivery of a trailer mounted generator. Mr. Smith is requesting authorization to re-advertise for bids as well as a contract amendment in the amount of \$300.00 to prepare the rebid documents.

m/Baker s/Feaster to re-advertise for bids for a trailer mounted generator with a contract amendment for Remington, Vernick & Walberg in the amount of \$300.00 to prepare the rebid documents. m/passed

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

m/Woshnak s/Baker to accept the minutes of the last regular meeting held on April 22, 2015. m/passed

Plant Superintendent Alan Zorzi provided a copy of the completed Memorandum of Understanding submitted to the State of NJ Office of Emergency Management. Mr. Zorzi received an email stating that we are now in the system should any natural disaster occur.

Mr. Zorzi provided a copy of the Civil Service promotional examination for James Harris.

Mr. Zorzi informed the board that Atlantic County is requesting a letter from the BBMUA informing them of any planned utility work within the limits of their resurfacing project that the County has planned. The only road that is covered in our area under the 2015 Highway Improvement Program is Brewster Road. There is no planned utility work at this time. Therefore, Chairman Santagata granted permission to Mr. Zorzi to send a letter stating as such.

A copy of the 2015 NJUAJIF inspection was provided to the Board recapping the April 7, 2015 visit which was intended to recap the safety activities and training of the Authority. The only recommendation that NJUAJIF requested is that the BBMUA needs to develop

a training plan and follow a schedule to provide more safety training for employees. Robert DeLiberis is our safety coordinator at the plant. He has come up with a schedule and submitted it to NJUAJIF for approval and execution.

Remington, Vernick & Walberg provided a copy of the preconstruction meeting held on May 5, 2015 regarding the reconstruction of Flower Street project. James Harris attended that meeting. It was stated that the only problem they may encounter are some utility lines. The contractor stated that if they happen to damage anything they would pay Garrison Enterprises to repair the damaged area.

Mr. Zorzi informed the board that he is completing his membrane cleans and the membranes are responding well. The pressure went back to almost new condition.

Mr. Zorzi also informed the board that on Monday 5/18/15 we will have an NJDEP inspection from the Southern Enforcement Division. We will have a new enforcement officer named Charles Dicey. Our prior inspector, John Delaney, is retiring. Mr. Zorzi was contacted by Dennis Yoder of Remington, Vernick & Walberg who stated that our limits set by the NJDEP are the toughest in the state and possibly the entire country. Therefore we want to make sure our limits are met with our current flow before we are possibly granted more flow. Failure to meet these limits result in fines.

m/Baker s/Woshnak to file all correspondence sent out for review without reading number 1 through number 16. m/passed

m/Baker s/Woshnak to pay all bills presented for the month of May 2015. m/passed

The next regular meeting will be held on May 27, 2015 at 7:00 p.m.

BBMUA Alternate Board Member Michael Feaster requested that we ask permission from Mayor and Council of the Borough of Buena to present a plaque to Mr. John Brunini and Mr. Charles Mielke for their years of service with the BBMUA. Chairman Santagata suggested that Secretary/Treasurer contact Mayor and Council.

m/Woshnak s/Feaster to adjourn the meeting 7:38 p.m. m/passed

Submitted by  
Cheryl Santore-BBMUA Secretary