

BOROUGH OF BUENA  
MUNICIPAL UTILITIES AUTHORITY  
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The regular meeting of the BBMUA was held on July 24, 2013 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 John Brunini.

Those present were:

J. Brunini	S. Woshnak	S. Testa
R. Baker	J. DuBois	R. Smith
H. Bertonazzi	D. Austino	
C. Mielke	A. Zorzi	
F. Soto	M. Testa Jr. in at 7:02 pm	

Robert Smith of Remington, Vernick & Walberg notified the board that the performance bonds for Minotola Estates are still active. They seemed to be familiar with the situation from the developer. The requested a list of any outstanding issues in regard to the water and sewer. Mr. Smith asked the plant superintendent Alan Zorzi for a punch list of issues so we can go on record with what our deficiencies are with the bonding company. It appears there is also a problem with the drainage system in this development. Mr. Smith requested that we contact the developer and ask them to remove the filter fabric and see if this allows water to get into the system faster and alleviates the problem of flooding the manholes. Rick Tonetta, solicitor for the Borough of Buena was supposed to contact Remington & Vernick to discuss the performance bond.

Kevin McMullan of Remington, Vernick & Walberg provided minutes from the job progress meeting on the treatment plant improvement project held on Tuesday, July 16, 2013. The next progress meeting will be held on Tuesday, August 20, 2013 at 10:00 am.

Edward Dennis of Remington, Vernick & Walberg contacted Atlantic City Electric and discussed the issue of getting into the queue and filing the interconnection application. It was his understanding that once you got into the queue and kept making your payments that it held your position. The individual he spoke with stated that is not the case. They are waiting for a call back from Atlantic City Electric. Chairman Brunini is not

concerned about filing the application but how much Atlantic City Electric will make the BBMUA spend in order to satisfy Atlantic City Electric's upgrades. Mr. Smith said Remington will get a clarification of the issue of the queue and where it positions us and whether or not we get priority because we are making the application and will report back to the Board at the next meeting in August.

Steve Testa of Romano, Hearing, Testa & Knorr informed the board that the audit for year ended December 31, 2012 has begun. The engagement letter was signed and a copy was distributed to the board for their review. The will be wrapping up the audit in the next few days. It will take a few weeks to put the audit together and then a finance committee meeting will have to be held. He would like to have the audit ready for the August 14, 2013 meeting so it can be accepted.

Mr. Testa is requesting to renew Mary Ann Chalow's contract for another year that will begin July 1, 2013 through June 30, 2014.

m/Mielke s/Baker to renew the contract for Mary Ann Chalow for the period of one year beginning 07/01/13 through 06/30/14 at the same rate as last year. m/passed

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

m/Baker s/Mielke to accept the minutes of the last regular meeting held on June 26, 2013.

Baker--yes; Bertonazzi – abstain; Mielke – yes; Soto – abstain; Brunini - yes  
m/passed

Alan Zorzi, Plant Superintendent informed the board that on July 4, 2013 he received a call at 4 am from dispatch for a dwelling fire located at 249 Wheat Road requesting someone come out and shut the water off. He sent Rob DeLiberis out to shut the water off and in the meantime dispatch called him back saying there was no need to come out because the owner found the shut off and turned the water off. Mr. Zorzi stated that a man was already en route. Mr. Zorzi instructed Rob to see where they shut the water off and check out the situation to make sure it was shut off properly. When Mr. Zorzi spoke to Rob the next day, Rob informed him that the fire was in one of the chicken coups/sheds that were behind the house. He said the water was run from the house to those buildings and people were living in them. Rob called Cheryl Santore to see how many units the customer has been billed for. She is working with Pam Johnston in the Occupancy and Construction Code Enforcement department to look into this situation. It has to be determined whether the coups or sheds are also connected to the sewer. Once more information is obtained Cheryl Santore will report back to the board.

Mr. Zorzi informed the board that in the last couple months there have been a lot of repairs and maintenance being done. In the last couple of weeks they lost the VFP on the EQ pumps. They have been replaced by Scalfo and just need to be reprogrammed. The cost of this was approximately \$3,200.00. The loader has been causing all kinds of problems and is being repaired now. That cost is estimated to be \$2,500.00. There are two other VFD's that are out and M&S will be coming out to evaluate these. Please keep in mind some of this equipment is from 1991.

Mr. Zorzi provided an update on the waste water treatment plant upgrade. The MBR has been up and running since July 1, 2013. At first they had a lot of major issues. We are down to minor issues and GE and Ovivo have been working together somewhat to correct these problems. There is an aerator issue right now that is being worked on. As far as the process is concerned the total Nitrogen has been excellent. The true test will be in the winter months. In the summer months we have never had problems with the Nitrogen. The big problem at this point is the Phosphorus. The Phosphorus limit has always been met unless the polymer pump was down. The last two weeks we have not met the required limits. Alan is working with Ovivo and GE. He has called the Engineer and they are trying to get this under control. The limit that has to be met is .15 and our limits are ranging anywhere from the .2 to .5. Also, there is a list of critical spare parts that have to be purchased. These parts will cost as much as \$40,000.00 to obtain all of the parts that are required to keep on hand. Chairman Brunini told Alan to contact the other plants that he visited and come up with his wish list of critical spare parts and present it to the board.

Mr. Zorzi informed the board that septage is slowly increasing.

m/Mielke s/Baker to file all correspondence sent out for review without reading number 1 through number 6. m/passed

m/Baker s/Soto to pay all bills presented for the month of July. m/passed

The next regular meeting will be held on August 14, 2013 at 7 p.m.

m/Soto s/Bertonazzi to adjourn the meeting 7:53 p.m. m/passed

Submitted by  
Cheryl Santore-BBMUA Secretary