

BOROUGH OF BUENA
MUNICIPAL UTILITIES AUTHORITY
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The regular meeting of the BBMUA was held on September 26, 2018 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. Delano	C. Santore
J. Formisano	R. Smith
J. Johnston	M. Testa Jr.
J. Santagata	S. Testa
J. Alvarez	Sandra Zaccaria 112 E. Pacific Avenue

Chairman Santagata informed the board that Sandra Zaccaria was in attendance at tonight's meeting. Ms. Zaccaria is seeking advice from the Board regarding her properties located at 104 Cass Avenue and 112 E. Pacific Avenue. Ms. Zaccaria would like to have a separate sewer connection for 104 Cass Avenue and would like the BBMUA Board's input on how she can go about separating those two lines as she would like to sell the property and there is currently no sewer on Cass Avenue. Ms. Zaccaria asked how does she go about getting a separate sewer line. Robert Smith of Remington, Vernick & Walberg asked if there is a house on the lot that she wants to sell. Ms. Zaccaria stated there is. She explained that that property was a nursery school. When she went back to the public school system she converted the nursery school into a house and subdivided the lots. The line coming in off of Pacific Avenue goes into her house and then a line comes off her house to feed the Cass Avenue home. Mr. Smith's recommendation is to run a separate sewer lateral parallel to the line for her house and tap the main again and put a utility easement on the Pacific Avenue lot. Chairman Santagata said the only issue the board would have would be paying a connection fee. The Chairman asked if she paid both connection fees back when she had the work done. Ms. Zaccaria stated that she doesn't remember but she does have two separate sewer bills and has been paying the bills since 1970. Chairman Santagata said he would assume that the two connection fees were probably paid and doesn't see why she would have to pay a new connection fee. Mr. Smith stated that she would have to hire a plumber to see where the most advantageous place would be to run that line and do that work. The only other thing she would need would be a street opening permit and any other permits from the

Borough. Mr. Smith stated that the plumber she hires may take care of making sure all of the permits are filed.

Robert Smith of Remington, Vernick & Walberg informed the board a letter was received from Nicole Maslanich of the State of New Jersey DEP Water System Assistance Section Bureau of Water System Engineering regarding the Lead and Copper Sampling Plan Technical Deficiency in the sampling plan submitted on January 11, 2018. The Plan must be updated to address the technical deficiencies listed in the letter and submitted to the Bureau no later than October 17, 2018. Also, the BBMUA is required to have a conference call or in-person meeting with the Bureau and therefore the BBMUA is required to contact the Bureau on or before September 27, 2018 to schedule an appointment. Mr. Smith spoke with Alan Zorzi about this last week. Dan Beach of Remington, Vernick & Walberg reached out to the DEP and is working on submitting some revised information that they will submit.

Mr. Smith informed the board that the sewer project on Louis Drive is moving along. Borough Council finally agreed that it was in their best interest to contribute the balance of the money to complete reconstruction of the entire roadway. The cost is estimated to be \$30,629.00 but the cost may vary due to the asphalt tonnage and there are a few concrete driveway aprons that may have to have some concrete work done to them to tie them into the roadway. Mr. Smith met with Roads Supervisor Bill Nimohay and the contractor. The contractor will get this on the schedule. Once it's on the schedule they will replace the storm drain work and then pulverize, regrade, reshape, and pave the entire roadway. The cost for this may come in a little bit more than the \$30,629.00 for the Borough. The question came up that we have to have some type of interlocal agreement between the MUA and the Borough so that the responsibilities are laid out that the Borough is paying for the additional cost for the asphalt and the storm drain work and other work that is associated with the street paving. Without the driveway work the cost is \$30,629.00. Therefore the BBMUA board needs to authorize the BBMUA Solicitor Mr. Testa to prepare an interlocal agreement between the MUA and the Borough so when all is said and done the Borough will cut the MUA a check for the additional cost. Steve Testa asked how the contract is going to work. He wanted to know if we will be doing a change order for the contract. Robert Smith stated that we will be doing a change order for the BBMUA to cover the additional cost and the BBMUA will be reimbursed by the Borough. Mr. Testa was concerned that the change order would exceed 20% of the contract. Mr. Smith stated that it will not and it will be fine. The original contract was for \$224,500.00, the additional cost for the resurfacing work is going to be \$30,629.00 but in the final change order a few items will be reduced such as traffic control we didn't use, and the pipe and base paving that came in slightly low. So when they are accounted for it will be less than the actual cost of what we are actually paying. It will not exceed the 20%. Once the contract quantities are actually known they will prepare the final change order and submit that along with the payment request at the same meeting.

m/Johnston s/Delano to authorize the Solicitor, Michael Testa Jr. of Testa, Heck, Testa & White to prepare an interlocal agreement for the next regular meeting scheduled to be held on October 10, 2018. m/passed

Michael Testa Jr. of Testa, Heck, Testa & White informed the board that the gentlemen from the Buena Campground, Nick Tambakis spoke with him today. He is inquiring why the campground is paying quarterly on 39 units for sewer. Mr. Tambakis attached a resolution from 1993 to an email he sent that Mr. Testa doesn't feel is applicable. Secretary Cheryl Santore stated that resolution referred to a credit that was given to Buena Vista Camping World due to the inability of the campground to connect into the BBMUA sewer system because the Pineland's approval was not received at that time. Pineland's approval was later granted and the campground began being charged again. Mr. Tambakis is banking on that resolution indicating that he doesn't have to pay sewer charges on those 39 units. Mr. Testa indicated to him when the BBMUA entered into the MOA with the Pinelands and Buena Vista Township all of those tap in fees became part of our allocation. Because of that the BBMUA Board passed a resolution that states if connection fees are paid and held 18 months or longer they are required to pay usage fees or sell them back to the BBMUA. Mr. Tambakis asked him if this resolution would supersede the resolution from 1993 and Mr. Testa stated that it absolutely would. Mr. Testa stated that the discussion with Mr. Tambakis will continue.

m/Delano s/Johnston to accept the minutes of the last regular meeting held on September 12, 2018. m/passed

Plant Superintendent, Alan Zorzi, received a letter from Patricia Gardner, Director of the State of NJ DEP Division of Water Supply & Geoscience notifying us that the BBMUA public water system will be affected by changes to the New Jersey Safe Drinking Water Act rules that become effective September 4, 2018. The rule changes include the establishment of two new Maximum Contaminant Levels for Perfluorononanoic Acid and Trichloropropane.

Mr. Zorzi received an email from Ed Wengrowski of the Pinelands Commission regarding the invitation to attend and speak at an upcoming meeting of the Pinelands Commission. The tentative date is November 9, 2018 from 9:30 to approximately 12 noon. Mr. Wengrowski will keep Alan updated.

m/Formisano s/Delano to approve Plant Operator James Harris to take the Advanced Wastewater Treatment Plant Operations class at Rowan College of Gloucester County from January 14, 2019 through April 15, 2019 at a cost of \$1,099.00. m/passed

Robert Smith of Remington, Vernick & Walberg informed the board that there is an issue with the new screen. There was a bearing issue a few months back but a new bearing was manufactured and put it. Now there is a problem with a shaft on the pump. Alan Zorzi and Jon Erber have been working with Emerald to try to rectify this. Bob also put a call into the operations manager at Emerald to try to get it moving quicker. The problem is that if they cannot compost at the plant they will build up too much sludge. Bob wanted to update the board.

Chairman Santagata asked if the pump stations have individual generators that service those stations in the event of a loss of power due to a storm. Mr. Smith stated there is only the one portable generator that they move from station to station if there is a need. Chairman Santagata stated he wants to look into generators for those pumping stations because if there is a major catastrophe and everything goes down there is only one generator. Chairman would like to talk to Alan about this.

m/Delano s/Johnston to file all correspondence sent out for review without reading number 1 through number 5. m/passed

The next regular meeting will be held on October 10, 2018 at 7:00 p.m.

m/Johnston s/Delano to adjourn the meeting 7:24 p.m. m/passed

Submitted by
Cheryl Santore-BBMUA Secretary