

BOROUGH OF BUENA
MUNICIPAL UTILITIES AUTHORITY
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The regular meeting of the BBMUA was held on October 8, 2014 at 7:00 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 Charles Mielke.

Those present were:

R. Baker	D. Austino	M. Chalow
C. Mielke	A. Zorzi	
J. Santagata	M. Testa in at 7:10 pm	
S. Woshnak	S. Testa	
M. Feaster in at 7:12 pm	R. Smith	

Chairman Mielke informed the board that a copy of the 2014 meeting schedule is enclosed in their meeting packets. He reiterated that it is very important that all members attend the meetings. He asked that if anyone is unable to attend for any reason that the office be notified to make sure that there is enough members in attendance to hold the meeting and have a quorum.

Robert Smith of Remington, Vernick & Walberg requested authorization from the Board to advertise for bids for the furnishing and delivery of a trailer mounted pump.

m/Baker s/Woshnak to approve the advertisement of the bid for the furnishing and delivery of a trailer mounted pump. m/passed

Ed Walberg of Remington, Vernick & Walberg asked the board for approval to prepare specifications and bidding documents for a two year period of 2015/2016 for the furnishing of electrical repair and maintenance and mechanical/plumbing repair and maintenance services in the amount not to exceed \$750.00 for each contract.

m/Baker s/Woshnak granting approval for Remington, Vernick & Walberg to prepare specifications and bidding documents including the approval to advertise for a two year period for the furnishing of electrical repair and maintenance and mechanical/plumbing repair and maintenance not to exceed \$750.00 each. m/passed

Ed Walberg of Remington, Vernick & Walberg asked the board for approval to prepare specifications and bidding documents for a two year period of 2015/2016 for the furnishing and delivery of Water Meters in the amount not to exceed \$750.00.

m/Baker s/Woshnak granting approval for Remington, Vernick & Walberg to prepare specifications and bidding documents including the approval to advertise for a two year period for the furnishing and delivery of Water Meters not to exceed \$750.00.

m/passed

Ed Walberg of Remington, Vernick & Walberg asked the board for approval to prepare specifications and bidding documents for a two year period of 2015/2016 for the furnishing and delivery of Wood Chips in the amount not to exceed \$750.00.

m/Baker s/Santagata granting approval for Remington, Vernick & Walberg to prepare specifications and bidding documents including authorization to advertise for a two year period for the furnishing and delivery of Wood Chips not to exceed \$750.00.

m/passed

Ed Walberg of Remington, Vernick & Walberg asked the board for approval to prepare specifications and bidding documents for a two year period of 2015/2016 for the furnishing and delivery of Liquid Aluminum Sulfate in the amount not to exceed \$750.00.

m/Baker s/Woshnak granting approval for Remington, Vernick & Walberg to prepare specifications and bidding documents including the approval to advertise for a two year period for the furnishing and delivery of Liquid Aluminum Sulfate not to exceed \$750.00

m/passed

Michael Testa Jr. of Testa, Heck, Scrocca, & Testa asked the board exactly what he was to do in regard to the John Lillie property located on Plymouth Road. Chairman Mielke asked Mr. Testa to look into value of the property and the land acquisition end and come back to the board and present any findings on this property.

Mr. Testa also spoke regarding the private sanitary sewer line located on the Buena Vista Campground property. The potential buyer of the Buena Tavern site is requesting a will serve letter from the BBMUA confirming service and availability for water and sewer to their site. Before this letter can be given to them research needs to be done. The board granted approval to Mr. Testa to acquire a copy of the deed for the Buena Campground where the private line exists to see if there is an easement recorded and also gave permission to Mr. Testa to write to John Caselli Jr. asking him for any information he can provide on this line and any easements that are pertaining to these lines.

Steve Testa of Romano, Hearing, Testa & Knorr explained the cost of bond council on behalf of Jack Kraft associated with the bond refunding.

m/Baker s/Woshnak to approve the cost for bond counsel's services in connection with the proposed refunding of the series 2003A bonds in the amount of \$15,000.00 plus disbursements. m/passed

m/Baker s/Woshnak to approve the cost for bond counsel's services in connection with the proposed defeasance of the series 2003 L & T bonds in an amount of \$12,500.00 plus disbursements. m/passed

Steve Testa of Romano, Hearing, Testa & Knorr presented the 2015 sewer and water budget for the BBMUA to the board for introduction. Mr. Testa explained that as of now we are not proposing any sewer rate increase or water rate increase for the 2015 budget. The sewer budget being introduced tonight still includes the additional debt service payment as well as \$75,000.00 toward the replacement of filters for the new MBR plant. We will be utilizing \$284,823.00 of the unrestricted undesignated net assets to balance the budget. Sewer revenues are pretty much flat. As for the water budget revenues are pretty much flat. A rate increase is not proposed at this time. We will however be utilizing \$112,730.00 of unrestricted undesignated net assets to balance the budget. It still includes the \$50,000.00 to be placed into the Equipment Renewal and Replacement Account that exists to cover the cost of maintenance of the water tower.

m/Baker s/Santagata to adopt Resolution R-22-2014 a resolution introducing the Sewer and Water Operation Budget for 2015. m/passed

BBMUA Secretary, Cheryl Santore, gave an update on the solar situation with Solis Partners. An Email from Kim Curtin of Solis Partners was received providing copies of the email sent to both PJM and Pepco in regard to the proposed solar projects for both the BBMUA and the Buena Regional School District. Since sending this email Mr. Curtin has heard back from PJM. PJM and Pepco are willing to send notice to the party that had previously submitted the feasibility study for a project which gives them 60 days to either sign an agreement or pull their project out of the queue. If the company wants to remain in the queue they will have to sign an agreement with Atlantic City Electric as well committing to their project. Mr. Curtin feels confident this will not happen, however, we have to wait the 60 days. Therefore, he is hoping to hear something positive back from them in December when we see where we stand. In the meantime he is looking into the electric bills for Cleary School and researching property behind the school to see if it would be feasible to put a solar field there to supply that school to get our foot in the door with Atlantic City Electric. Once he has completed all of the leg work and research to see if Cleary School is feasible he will get back to us.

A second letter was sent to Mayor Joseph Baruffi and council requesting a response to our request from August 20, 2014 for Michael Feaster to be appointed to the Land Use

Board as the BBMUA's representative. To date we have not heard anything from the Mayor.

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

m/Baker s/Santagata to accept the minutes of the last regular meeting held on September 10, 2014. m/passed

Plant Superintendant Alan Zorzi updated the board on a water break on Route 40 on October 2, 2014. Wawa's water service had a pin hole leak and a repair had to be made on that line that took approximately 2 hours.

Also, Dennis Yoder of Remington, Vernick & Walberg is working on an estimated cost on a canopy to be installed over the Hydrodyne screen. This is necessary because the screen is a critical piece of equipment that when exposed to the weather causes problems in the winter.

m/Baker s/Woshnak to file all correspondence sent out for review without reading number 1 through number 11. m/passed

m/Baker s/Woshnak to pay all bills presented for the month of October 2014. m/passed

The next regular meeting will be held on October 22, 2014 at 7:00 p.m.

m/Feaster s/Woshnak to adjourn the meeting 8:00 p.m. m/passed

Submitted by
Cheryl Santore-BBMUA Secretary