

BOROUGH OF BUENA
MUNICIPAL UTILITIES AUTHORITY
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The regular meeting of the BBMUA was held on October 12, 2011 at 7:00 p.m. This meeting 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 located within the Municipal Building as well as the Borough of Buena and the 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 John Brunini chairman.

Those present were:

J. Brunini	G. Labo
H. Bertonazzi	A. Zorzi
C. Mielke	
F. Soto	
J. DuBois	

Chairman Brunini informed the board members that he met with Alan Zorzi, Charles Mielke and the MUA's engineer and asked the engineer to send a letter to the lowest bidder to have them review the project drawings to make sure they are able to complete the entire system. The MUA's engineer informed chairman Brunini that the low bidder replied to him by letter stating that he as well as his subcontractors were in agreement with the contractor. Chairman Brunini felt as though there should be no reason not to award the contract since the low bid falls within the USDA's funding that the MUA will be receiving with the loan and grant monies. Chairman Brunini also stated that the MUA is still within the time frame to award the bid.

Alan Zorzi the plant superintendent informed the board members of comparison amounts of the septage that was delivered to the plant from September of 2010 to this September of 2011. The amounts were 618,000 gallons to 274,000 gallons respectively. Even though the BBMUA has a couple of new septage haulers coming to the plant, the total amount of septage delivered has been low since the reduced septage rate went into effect on August 1, 2011. The reduction of septage coming into the BBMUA's plant may have an effect on the 2012 budget.

Alan Zorzi the plant superintendent informed the board members that a new flow meter is needed at the plant and the cost will be approximately \$1,700.00.

m/Mielke s/Soto approve the payment of \$5,955.00 to Bayview Bearing & Supply, LLC for new discharge screws for the mixing truck after receiving the required (3) price quotations. m/passed

m/Mielke s/Soto accept the treasurer's report. m/passed

m/Mielke s/Brunini accept the minutes of the last regular meeting held on September 28, 2011. m/passed
Roll Call Vote Mielke-yes Bertonazzi-yes Soto-abstained DuBois-abstained Brunini-yes

m/Mielke s/Soto accept the correspondence sent out for review without reading number 1 only. m/passed

m/Soto s/Mielke pay all bills presented. m/passed

The following paragraph is an addendum to the BBMUA's regular meeting held on September 28, 2011.

Chairman Brunini explained to the board members about the situation that happened on Park Drive during Hurricane Irene where the sewer was backed up throughout the town. The cause was that the pumping stations, not the lines being clogged. The town's system was full of water and the sewer was coming out of the manholes because the pumping stations couldn't deliver the sewer to the plant fast enough. Chairman Brunini stated that it wasn't a backup but an act of god which was a hundred year storm. Alan Zorzi the plant superintendent visited both homeowners Dennis Steudle and Terry Giannascoli the day after the MUA's regular meeting held on September 14, 2011 to inspect each home and found that both of them had plumbing fixtures below ground level in their basements and took pictures. The BBMUA's solicitor Michael Testa, Jr. was informed of his findings and stated that the MUA was not responsible for the backups since it is on the MUA's customer billing cards as well as in the MUA's rules and regulations concerning this type of situation. He also stated that laterals are the responsibility of the homeowner and anything inside the curb line going back to the dwelling is not the responsibility of the MUA including the failure of a check valve.

The next regular meeting will be held on October 26, 2011 at 7 p.m.

m/Soto s/Mielke adjourn the meeting at 7:40 p.m. m/passed

Submitted by
Gary Labo-BBMUA Secretary

