

BOROUGH OF BUENA
MUNICIPAL UTILITIES AUTHORITY
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The regular meeting of the BBMUA was held on November 12, 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
C. Mielke	A. Zorzi
J. Santagata	M. Testa
S. Woshnak	S. Testa
M. Feaster	R. Smith

Chairman Mielke informed the board that a letter was received from Joseph Alessandrino, the Administrator/Acting CFO for Buena Vista Township requesting the BBMUA and Buena Vista Township begin to discuss the feasibility of existing water service to areas in Buena Vista Township in which property owners' well water has been compromised. The service would be for approximately 50 to 75 residents in the area of Post Road, Cimino Blvd., Lejan Terrace, Union Road, and Landis Avenue. The board decided that the Township Engineer should submit a feasibility study to our Engineer and board to review.

On November 5, 2014 the BBMUA Secretary, Cheryl Santore, and the Chairman met with Kim Curtin of Solis Partners and a few colleagues that he brought along. Two of the gentlemen were from a company by the name of Solar Grid Storage. They presented us with an option, that if granted, could get both the solar projects for the BBMUA and the Buena Regional High School and Buena Regional Middle School built and up and running without the need for anyone to get out of the ACE queue. There is a Renewable Electric Storage Incentive grant being offered by the New Jersey's Clean Energy Program. The deadline to file for these funds is December 8, 2014. According to Mr. Curtin if we get granted money from this incentive both the BBMUA solar project and both of the schools would be able to be completed. Without this incentive, and if ACE

allows us to get our project off the ground because the current project in the queue has pulled out, only the BBMUA and one of the schools would be able to be connected due to the size of the solar project and ACE restrictions. The board requested the professionals to review the letter of interest and intent and contact Mr. Curtin with their concerns as soon as possible.

Robert Smith of Remington, Vernick & Walberg informed the board that he reached out to the Borough of Buena Administrator Paul Trivellini asking if the Borough wishes to participate in the contracts for the furnishing of electrical and mechanical/plumbing repair and maintenance services as they have in the past. The Administrator stated they are interested; however, there are a few revisions to the specifications that the Borough of Buena would like to have made prior to advertising. Once the changes to the specifications have been made, Mr. Smith asked that the Borough Council authorize Remington, Vernick & Walberg to advertise the bids in conjunction with the BBMUA.

The bids to award the trailer mounted pump and wood chips cannot be awarded tonight until the BBMUA Solicitor, Michael Testa Jr. reviews the bids and gives approval to award.

Robert Smith also provided a copy of the Notice To Bidders for the furnishing and delivery of liquid aluminum sulfate to be advertised in the Daily Journal and Atlantic County Record. The Notice will be published on Friday, November 14, 2014 in the Daily Journal and on Wednesday, November 19, 2014 in the Atlantic County Record. The bids will be received on Tuesday, November 25, 2014 at 11:00 a.m.

Plant Superintendent Alan Zorzi had provided the BBMUA Solicitor, Michael Testa Jr. with a copy of the letter from Adams, Rehmann & Heggan requesting a copy of our water systems map for a feasibility study. Mr. Testa stated that there should not be a problem providing them a copy of this map.

Steve Testa of Romano, Hearing, Testa & Knorr informed the board that a copy of the executed bond is attached for everyone to view. The net present value savings ended up being over 3.4%. The letter to the Local Finance Board was sent as well to comply with the provisions of the Local Finance Board Resolution dated September 10, 2014 with respect to the issuance of the \$1,500,000.00 revenue bond of the BBMUA.

Mr. Testa also informed the board that Robbi Acampora of Phoenix Advisors reviewed the bond issuances regarding the MCDC Initiative and it was determined that the BBMUA is not subject to the SEC's Initiative and therefore does not need to be concerned with filing the SEC's self reporting questionnaire.

Karen Read of Perma, Inc. provided us with an up to date NJUA JIF property appraisal and comparison report. Property appraisals were conducted on all member locations over the course of the year.

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

The BBMUA will be awarded a 2014 dividend from the NJUAJIF in the amount of \$5,962.80. This is an increase of \$755.44 from the dividend awarded in 2013.

The board approved issuing safety incentive gift certificates to the BBMUA employees from the annual JIF dividend for 2014. Michael Feaster suggested increasing the amount of the gift certificates from \$75.00 to \$100.00 since the award increased due to good safety experience ratings.

m/Baker s/Woshnak to increase the amount of the gift certificates from \$75.00 to \$100.00 per employee. m/passed

Jack Kraft, the bond council for the BBMUA wrote an article regarding the recent bond refunding and it will be published in the New Jersey Law Journal.

Secretary/Treasurer, Cheryl Santore, requested authorization to take the Municipal Capital and Trust Fund Accounting and Municipal Utility Fund Accounting classes at Rutgers Center for Government Services. The classes are a total of 19 sessions and are every Wednesday and a few Saturdays from February 11 through June 3, 2015. The total cost for both classes is \$2,195.00. Debbie Austino will be covering the meetings in her place.

m/Baker s/Woshnak to approve Secretary/Treasurer, Cheryl Santore to attend classes for Municipal Capital and Trust Fund Accounting and Municipal Utility Fund Accounting at Rutgers Center for Government Services from February 11 through June 3, 2015 for a cost not to exceed \$2,195.00. m/passed

The board reviewed the proposed meeting dates for the year 2015. The meetings were approved and it was decided unanimously move the first meeting in November to Tuesday since Wednesday will be Veteran's Day. This will be advertised in the newspapers and posted on the BBMUA website as well as in the municipal building.

The Board was provided with a copy of the 2015 Holiday Schedule. These holidays are the approved holidays per the employee contracts and memorandums of agreement.

m/Baker s/Santagata to accept the minutes of the last regular meeting held on October 22, 2014. m/passed

Plant Superintendant Alan Zorzi informed the board that he has opened up a ticket with Sprint Nextel regarding the termination of the lease agreement stating that the premises have been vacated and possession of the site has been surrendered in the condition required of the lease. It was recommended that a tank evaluation be conducted to protect the MUA's best interest.

Mr. Zorzi also informed the board that he spoke with Mr. Bob Hensel of the Emilio Marandino VFW Post 158 requesting a meter on the outside spigot to meter the water that would be watering the lawn and not going into the sewer system. They experience rusty water at this location and would like to flush their pipes without having to pay the added sewer charges since their sewer is based on their water usage. Mr. Zorzi informed him that we do not have such a meter, however, they are more than welcome to install an irrigation system on their property and pay for an irrigation meter to monitor that usage which would deduct from their sewer billing.

Crown Pipe hit a water service at 107 Sumner Avenue. The employees from the BBMUA made the repair within two hours.

Three price quotes were obtained to replace the broken tamper that we have. The cheapest price for an oil injected unit was \$2,095.00 from Norris Sales

m/Baker s/Santagata to replace the broken tamper in the amount of \$2,095.00 from Norris Sales. m/passed

The Board approved purchasing jackets and coveralls for the plant employees for a cost not to exceed \$2,000.00.

m/Feaster s/Woshnak to approve the purchase of jackets and coveralls for the plant employees at a cost not to exceed \$2,000.00 m/passed

m/Woshnak s/Feaster to file all correspondence sent out for review without reading number 1 through number 25. m/passed

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

The next regular meeting will be held on November 26, 2014 at 7:00 p.m.

m/Woshnak s/Feaster to adjourn the meeting 8:19 p.m. m/passed

Submitted by
Cheryl Santore-BBMUA Secretary