



CLIFTON PARK WATER AUTHORITY

BOARD MEETING MINUTES

JULY 12, 2017

Those present at the Clifton Park Water Authority board meeting were: Mr. Helmut Gerstenberger, Chairman; Mr. John Ryan, Vice Chairman; Mr. George Peterson, Treasurer; Mr. Peter Taubkin, Secretary; and Mr. William Butler, board member. Also present: Mr. Donald Austin Jr., Administrator; Mr. Walter Schlesier Jr., Superintendent; and Mr. Neil Weiner, Attorney.

Mr. Gerstenberger called the meeting to order at 7:02pm.

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR

Ayaz Lari of 37 Kara Lane spoke to the board regarding a high bill he received in January for 84,700 gallons of water used between September and December. Mr. Lari checked his home for leaks but didn't find any. Mr. Austin explained that the following quarter, with the same meter in place, he was back to his normal usage. So it can only be assumed that something in the house was leaking and has since resolved itself. His meter was replaced in May and Mr. Austin granted him an adjustment to remove the inclining block rate in April. The Board denied any further adjustment to Mr. Lari's account and stands by the fact that the water was recorded on the meter and that is the measuring device that we have to rely on.

OLD BUSINESS

BERRYFARM WELL – PAYMENT REQUEST

Mr. Austin reported the well is complete. The pump should be set by the end of the week. The well can start being used once we get test results back and NYSDOH approval. The well is slated to easily pump 340 gallons per minute.

A **motion** was made by Mr. Ryan approving payment request #1 in the amount of \$23,512.50 and payment request #2 in the amount of \$36,950.25 to Smith Well Drilling, Inc.; seconded by Mr. Butler. The **motion** carried 5-0.

TANK MIXERS – KNOLLTOP, BLUE SPRUCE AND MILLER RD. WATER TANKS

Mr. Austin reported that one of the tank mixers has been installed in the Miller Road tower. The Knolltop tank will be next and then we will finish up with the Blue Spruce tank. Stilsing Electric Inc. is scheduled to start installing the electrical feeds on July 31st and be finished by August 14th.

GLENVILLE WATER PURCHASE AGREEMENT

This matter was tabled until next month because Mr. Weiner has not received the revised agreement for the purchase and sale of water from the Town of Glenville.

POTENTIAL WATER MAIN REPLACEMENT ON PLANK ROAD

CT Male has provided a rough estimate of \$80,000.00 to replace approximately 300 feet of pipe with ductile iron pipe and directionally drill underneath the culvert. Mr. Austin will ask Mr. Vopelak to prepare a formal engineering proposal for this work.

NEW BUSINESS

HEALTH INSURANCE RENEWAL

The health insurance renewal effective September 1st has an increased deductible from \$3,500 (single)/\$7,000 (family) to \$3,700/\$7,400. The only other change is to the deductible type which goes from an aggregate to an embedded plan. The premium amounts increased about 4.2% from last plan year.

CYBER-SECURITY VULNERABILITY ASSESSMENT

The EPA has mandated that all water systems in the United States perform a cyber-security vulnerability assessment. Mr. Austin is looking into doing either a self-assessment, or hiring a third-party to do the assessment. He has received quotes from two companies so far, with the cheapest being \$10,000.00. He is waiting on prices from two other companies. Mr. Ryan offered to assist Mr. Austin with the assessment.

OTHER BUSINESS

Mr. Gerstenberger made a **motion** to move into executive session at 8:11pm to discuss pending litigation; seconded by Mr. Peterson. The **motion** carried 5-0.

Mr. Gerstenberger made a **motion** to move out of executive session at 8:37pm; seconded by Mr. Ryan. The **motion** carried 5-0.

APPROVE MINUTES OF MAY 10, 2017 MEETING

A **motion** was made by Mr. Gerstenberger to approve the minutes of May 10, 2017; seconded by Mr. Butler. The **motion** carried 5-0.

The Authority's next board meeting is Wednesday, August 9, 2017 at 7pm.

A **motion** was made by Mr. Ryan to adjourn the meeting at 8:41pm; seconded by Mr. Taubkin. The **motion** carried 5-0.

Respectfully submitted,

Sheri Collins

Recording Secretary

cc: CPWA Board of Directors
Neil Weiner