

MABE Meeting Minutes December 28, 2021

In Attendance:

Absent:

Others in Attendance:

Darrell Gibble
Steve Keech
Lori Sifford
Floyd Jennelle
Stephen Kalis, Fox Rothschild (telephonic)
Keith Showalter, Systems Design Engineering
Charlotte Gehman

Jim Freeze

Dave Friedman, EEMA
John Dean, EEMA

Meeting called to order at 7:01p.

Approve Minutes of November 30, 2021, Board Meeting – **Motion by Darrell to approve the Minutes of the November 30, 2021, Board Meeting. Second by Floyd. Motion approved.**

Public Comment

None

Correspondence/Communication

Truist Term Sheet received per request. Rate offered is 2.40% for the remaining 10-year term. **Motion by Floyd to accept the term sheet offered and approve modification of the loan and costs not to exceed \$2500.00. Second by Darrell. Motion approved.**

Operator's Report

Flows were 75,000.00/day for November. Steve questioned the pump run times for the Brick Lane pump station. Dave will check with John and report back to the board. Lakeside screen has been winterized.

HVAC Improvement Proposal – still need to put together a quote.

Disk Filter Sections, New Bearings – Bearings have fallen apart, and new parts are needed. **Motion by Darrell to approve the quote for \$2,028.00 for three filters and two lateral gaskets. Second by Floyd. Motion approved.**

Sludge Line Piping Replacement – The lines have been replaced.

Engineer's Report

PA Small Water & Sewer Grant – will be ready to go out to bid in January. Keith is suggesting a different DO meter (ORP) to best tie into Nitrification when the plant needs to move toward that in processing.

Blue Rock Project – Still waiting on the as-built plans. There are miscellaneous items on the Borough Engineer's list to be completed and a few relate to MABE.

Corbett Easement – Fence is complete, and plants are the only item to be completed there. EEMA intends to put a lock on the gate.

Easement Plans/Right of Way Project – Charlotte still needs to identify any outstanding easements.

Thiel Project – No current information or progress on this project.

Solicitor's Report

Thiel Project Construction Escrow Improvements Agreement – Waiting for the financial security to be clarified before Stephen can finalize the agreement.

2022 Enabling Resolutions – **Motion by Darrell to approve Annual Enabling Resolutions 2021-1 Capital Fund Budget, 2021-2 Sewer Rental Charges, 2021-3 Tapping Fee and 2021-4 Operating budget. Second by Floyd. Motion approved.**

Old Business

Grant Opportunity Subcommittee Report – No current information. Waiting for information on additional government funds from the infrastructure bill.

New Business

Urban Center Improvement Inventory Update for Chester County – Keith reviewed the cost estimates he put together for the Headworks and a Plant Upgrade and Expansion project that are being added to the UCII list with the County.

Tri-County Landscaping Quote for 2021/2022 – Approved

Steve suggests MABE consider joining the Western Chester County Chamber of Commerce to learn more about development opportunities.

Treasurer's Report

Approve December Payables per Check register presented – **Motion by Darrell to approve the payables for December as presented. Second by Floyd. Motion approved.**

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Admin Update

Charlotte asked the Board about communications for Borough council report. Board would like to share cost estimates for UCII project additions and emphasize the importance of Act 537 data in planning for the future of MABE.

Executive Session

Meeting Adjourned 7:58p

Next scheduled MABE Board meeting is Tuesday, January 25, 2022, at 7:00p.

Respectfully submitted by Charlotte Gehman