

MABE Meeting Minutes October 29, 2024

In Attendance:

Darrell Gible
Floyd Jennelle
Steve Keech
Jim Freeze
Dan Engro
Keith Showalter, SDE
Charlotte Gehman, Administrator

Absent:

Stephen Kalis, Fox Rothschild

Others in Attendance:

John Dean, EEMA
Merle Stoltzfus, Borough Council
Jon Mountz, Resident
Greg Siwik, Resident

Meeting called to order at 7:01p.

Motion by Jim to approve the September 24, 2024, Meeting Minutes. Second by Floyd. Motion Approved.

Public Comment

None.

Correspondence/Communication

None

Treasurer's Report

Approval of October payables per Check Register presented. **Motion by Jim to approve the October payables as presented. Second by Darrell. Motion approved.**

Finance Committee Report – Budget meeting scheduled for tomorrow, October 30 at 7:00p to work on the 2025 budget.

CD Maturing 11/16/24 - Charlotte will confirm the rate for the rollover with Citadel.

Budget Planning Meeting - October 30, 7:00p.

Operator's Report

Generator Battery Quote - Quote to replace the Cummins generator battery was presented as recommended by GenServ at time of generator service.

Board approved the battery replacement quote presented for the Cummins generator.

Average daily flow in September was 67,000/gpd. Train two is still curing and has not been brought back into service. The Flyht pump has been delivered, so MABE now has one spare for every pump station. Envirep has begun installation of the Omnisite Crystal Ball monitoring systems. EEMA is manually alternating the pumps until the Omnisite installation is complete. Two new decant pumps were ordered. Just over two million gallons were treated in with one fecal violation. Once the tank painting is complete some chemical lines and electrical lines need to be reconnected before bringing Tank two back online.

Engineer's Report

Tensor Motorcar Plan Review - Keith presented his review letter for the project. Keith noted his comments. Charlotte has a copy of the letter. Stephen will need to prepare an improvements agreement. **Motion by Darrell to not approve the plan until Borough Council gets MABE approval. Second by Jim. Motion approved.** Charlotte will confer with Stephen.

Act 537 Plan Report – Keith is reviewing the plan.

New Local Share Application – Keith has prepared a detailed cost estimate for this grant to improve the four older pump stations including adding permanent generators at two of the pump stations. Keith added equipment only as needed for each pump station to keep the estimate under the maximum grant request of a million dollars.

Adopt Resolution 2024-4 to request Statewide Local Share Grant - **Motion by Darrell to approve Resolution 2024-4 to apply for Local Share Grant Application in the amount of \$980,000. Second by Jim. Motion approved.**

Local Share Grant Award Headworks - Review of the possible plans to use the award received of \$250,000 and how Keith will modify the project to get closer to the award amount. Signor paperwork should be received soon. Keith anticipates 12-18 months before that project moves to planning.

ARPA Small Water and Sewer Grant Project - Sewer Rehab work. Keith needs to further review the flow meters to develop a plan. He anticipates this for 2025.

ARPAH20 PA Grant Project – Plant Expansion. Keith needs the completed ACT 537 for this project. Keith has done some preliminary work on this project.

PA Small Water & Sewer Grant Tank Painting Project Update - Keith anticipates the final pay application soon.

Fence Repair – Keith is working with the contractor on this.

Easement Plans/Right of Way Project - On hold for later completion.

Flow Meter Project – Keith needs to look at the data.

Solicitor's Report

Board Member Expansion - Further discussions will be held.

Old Business

None.

New Business

Greg Siwik is interested in joining the Board. Charlotte will recommend him to Borough Council via letter at the December Council meeting.

Admin Update

Executive Session

The meeting was adjourned at 7:50p.

Next Scheduled MABE Board Meeting is **November 26, 2024, at 7:00p.**