

**TOWNSHIP OF FALLS AUTHORITY**

**REGULAR MEETING**

**June 2, 2009**

The regular monthly meeting of the Township of Falls Authority was held on Tuesday, June 2, 2009, in the conference room at 225 Lincoln Highway, Fairless Hills, PA, at 7:34 P.M.

**Salute to the Flag**

**Roll Call** - Debra DeBlasio, Chairperson, John Palmer, Vice Chairman, Lisa Mangone, Secretary, William Renson, Treasurer and Anthony Rosso, Assistant Secretary/Treasurer were present. Randall Flager, Authority Solicitor, Vanessa Nedrick, Authority Engineer, David Busch, Keystone Alliance Consulting, Edna Miller, Business Manager and Megan O'Neill, Recording Secretary were also present.

**Item #1 – Solicitor's Report on the Executive Session** – Randall Flager reported that the Executive Session consisted discussion on a potential legal issue.

**Item #2 - Approve Meeting Minutes for April 22, 2009** – Lisa Mangone would like to have a spelling error corrected.

Lisa Mangone made a motion to accept the minutes for April 22, 2009 with the change made. William Renson seconded the motion. All in favor. Motion carried 5-0.

**Item #3 – Public Comment** – There was no one signed up for public comment.

**Item #5 – Solicitor Comment-** Megan Duryea from Fox Rothschild presented to the Board copies of Resolution 2009-11 authorizing the Bank Note Agreement.

Lisa Mangone made a motion to adopt Resolution 2009-11. William Renson seconded the motion.

**Poll of the Board:**

<b>Anthony Rosso</b>	<b>No</b>
<b>William Renson</b>	<b>Yes</b>
<b>Lisa Mangone</b>	<b>Yes</b>
<b>John Palmer</b>	<b>Yes</b>

Debra DeBlasio Yes

Motion Carried 4-1.

Item #6 – Engineer Report– Engineer’s Report attached.

Vanessa Nedrick indicted that she will be getting in touch with the Township Engineer and representatives of Orleans about the items that need to be address at Rock Creek Run.

Water Meter Project

Lisa Mangone made a motion to install compound meters at \$ 225,822.34. William Renson seconded the motion.

Poll of the Board:

Anthony Rosso	Yes
William Renson	Yes
Lisa Mangone	Yes
John Palmer	Yes
Debra DeBlasio	Yes

Motion Carried 5-0.

Inflow/Infiltration

Lisa Mangone made a motion to approve Change Order #1 and #2 in the amount of \$ 32,400. Anthony Rosso seconded the motion.

Poll of the Board:

Anthony Rosso	Yes
William Renson	Yes
Lisa Mangone	Yes
John Palmer	Yes
Debra DeBlasio	Yes

Motion Carried 5-0.

Item #7 – Executive Director Report – Executive Director’s Report attached.

Anthony Rosso made a motion to authorize David Busch, once he gets the appraisal from the insurance company for the damages to 200 Gloucester Road and the consent from Debra DeBlasio or John Palmer and the Solicitors approval, to pay out up to \$ 20,000. Lisa Mangone seconded the motion.

**Poll of the Board:**

Anthony Rosso	Yes
William Renson	Yes
Lisa Mangone	Yes
John Palmer	Yes
Debra DeBlasio	Yes

**Motion Carried 5-0.**

**Office Computers**

The Board instructed David Busch to have APM come back in to look at the office computer system to get a more detailed contract for the next meeting.

Anthony Rosso requested for David to have the appointment setup on a Friday with APM so that he would be able to attend the meeting with him. David Busch agreed.

**Item #4 – Review of Bill List** – Lisa Mangone made a motion to approve the bill list for June 2, 2009 in the amount of \$ 1,066,929.86. John Palmer seconded the motion.

**Poll of the Board:**

Anthony Rosso	Yes
William Renson	Yes
Lisa Mangone	Yes
John Palmer	Yes
Debra DeBlasio	Yes

**Motion Carried 5-0.**

**Item #8 – Board Comment** –John Palmer questioned David Busch about Pennwood Crossing and their system. David indicated that he has not heard anything at this time.

**Adjournment** – Lisa Mangone made the motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:25 P.M. William Renson seconded the motion. All in favor. Motion carried 5-0.

**Township of Falls Authority**  
**Engineering Status**  
**June 2, 2009**

- 1) **Rock Creek Run water issue:** RVB is in receipt of all documentation Orleans submitted to the Township. Reviewed all documentation in comparison to the Authority's checklist. Will discuss at meeting
- 2) **2008 Capital Program:**
  - a) **Water Meter Project:** National Metering Services started replacement program on May 11th. As of May 22, 2009, 956 meters were installed. The first progress meeting was held on May 27, 2009 (see attached meeting minutes). Several issues were discussed regarding discrepancies in meter sizes, types, and what NMS discovered as the meter installation progressed. National Metering submitted prices for testing all the meters as opposed to a sample, price of compound meters, and data logging larger meters (see attached invoices).
  - b) **Telemetry Project:** Equipment installation is complete. Contractor encountered some problems during installation at the Warner elevated tank. The new pressure transducer was defective and a replacement is on its way. The phone line at the Warner tank also needs to be tested as the Contractor suspects the line is broken. This will be determined in the field once the new transducer is online and the phone system is testing.
  - c) **Inflow & Infiltration Project:** All pipes have been televised and inspected. Some pipes require more rigorous cleaning methods and some pipes will be recommended for replacement. Most of the pipe joints were pressure tested and grouted. The contract should be completed by mid-June. Tri-State grouting completed an emergency job for the Authority at the end of April.
- 3) **Bucks County Water & Sewer:** Analytical Labs began sampling for BOD and TSS. Sampling for the month of April/May was in compliance with BCW&SA concentration limits of 220 mg/l for BOD.
- 4) **Headley Pump Station:** Added another test to determine the corrosiveness of the wastewater discharge. Results will be discussed at board meeting.
- 5) **Water and Sewer Systems Maps:** Water System maps have been turned over the Authority. Sewer System maps will be verified and finalized once the Inflow & Infiltration Project is completed.
- 6) **Authority's New Building:** Building plans and detail drawings are on-going. Specifications are being written.

# Township Of Falls Authority

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

DATE: JUNE 2, 2009

## **Key Performance Indicators for the current month:**

### **1. Health & Safety:**

- a. No vehicle accidents

### **2. Environmental Compliance:**

- a. Water testing results are in total compliance with monitoring requirements.

### **3. Operations**

#### **a. Sewer**

- Blockage at Social Security Office
- Emergency Sewer Repair at Social Security Office, Liner Installed
- Blockage and Backup at 200 Gloucester Road
- Blockage at 214 Tewksbury Road
- Nottingham Lift Station transducer failure, replaced
- Nottingham Lift Station pump No. 2 leakage failure

#### **b. Water**

- Discolored water at Social Security Office due to private hydrant flushing on site
- Discolored water complaint at 1 Jensen, cause unknown
- Hydrant Flushing program started on May 26<sup>th</sup> and is continuing
- Discovered closed line valve at Liberty and Liberty, opened and flushed lines

### **4. Finances:**

- a. Monthly financial report for authority will be distributed at authority meeting.

## **Summary of last month's issues and other items of note:**

1. Contacted Insurance Company concerning sewer blockage and backup at 200 Gloucester Road
2. Ballards installed at new authority building, only meter installers and staff have access.
3. Met with R&V to review drawings of building layout for review by authority board.
4. Efforts related to water meter replacement program.

Discussion with authority solicitor and bond counsel concerning meter financing