

Williamstown Borough Authority Meeting Minutes

September 7th, 2022

Williamstown Borough Authority met September 7th, 2022 at 7:00 p.m. in Council Chambers. Board Members present were Chairman Stephen Denkovich, Vice Chairman Jack Schaeffer, Mark Challenger Jr., Dale Edinger, Lee Moss, Solicitor Joseph Kerwin, Secretary Rikki Merwine and Operations Manager Joe D'agostino.

The meeting was called to order at 7:00pm. The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag was recited. The minutes from the August 3rd, 2022 meeting were reviewed and approved as written.

Grant Updates- Vice Chairman Jack Schaeffer Jr., reported that the application for the remaining meters is in. He is hopeful to get them by the end of the year. Jack has downloaded the application for the 2023 CDBG grant and will start the application process. Will get quotes for Control Panel, for equipment only. Chairman Denkovich asked if all panels will be the same. Jack Schaeffer Jr., will do the application himself for it.

Solicitor Kerwin brought up the mandatory testing. It is hard to get out of. Joe D'agostino stated that the levels of zinc varies, and it is needed to test. Chairman Denkovich wants to try and scale back on the mandated testing. Can contact DEP. Solicitor Kerwin will get with Joe D'agostino about it. Solicitor Kerwin asked if we received the letter for the state grant. Jack Schaeffer said yes. Kerwin will follow up on the grant process.

Joe D'agostino asked if we could put bids in the paper for Sampling. Solicitor Kerwin suggested electronic bids. D'agostino reported that CWM Environment was the cheapest last year.

Solicitor Kerwin reported that Chad Gonder agreement will be concluded by the next meeting.

Vice Chairman Jack Schaeffer Jr., said we will need to decide on a project for the state grant by beginning of the year.

The Managers report was reviewed. The reservoirs are actually overflowing, which is good due to lack of rainfall. Chairman Denkovich asked how many meters were installed so far. D'agostino reported roughly 40. People who have faulty meters will get new meters first. Kamstrup will come on Friday to set up system. Freedom Systems (billing system) upgrade will be done beginning of October. The EQ tank was wrapped with algae. Joe D'agostino said sludge hauling quote by next year.

Chairman Denkovich asked Joe D'agostino to get quotes for welding drum filter. He suggested Jamie Kintzel. Chairman Denkovich asked how many pumps need replaced. Joe D'agostino stated that there were 3 and we would rotate and replace, always keeping one available. Joe D'agostino stated that the personnel should not have classes next year.

Chairman Denkovich asked if we get benefit from being AWWA member. Joe D'agostino stated that there are not really any benefits associated with AWWA, just PRWA that we should always stay a member of. Chairman Denkovich asked Joe D'agostino if Thompsons service center was the cheaper route, Joe D'agostino said it was convenient.

The new meters being installed should hopefully help with water cost. The Delinquent report was reviewed. The bills were paid on the motion of Dale Edinger and Mark Challenger.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:40 PM on the motion of Lee Moss and Dale Edinger.

NEXT MEETING WEDNESDAY, October 5th, 2022

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