

## **Millcreek Richland Joint Authority Meeting Minutes**

**July 10, 2023**

The Millcreek-Richland Joint Authority Meeting of July 10, 20223 was called to order by John Wolgemuth, Authority Chairman at 7:08 P.M.

Present: John Wolgemuth; James Bottomley; Jan Klaus; Rebecca Schnoke; Jessica Weaver

Absent: Arthur Wealand

Also in attendance: Dan Hershey, P.E.; Amy Leonard, Esq.; Justin LaTourette; Sherry Schaeffer

Public Comments: none

Secretary's Report: The Minutes of the June 5, 2023, meeting was read by Mr. Wolgemuth. No corrections were noted. Mr. Bottomley made a motion, seconded by Ms. Schnoke, to approve the June 5, 2023, meeting minutes. All voted in favor.

Treasurer's Report: The Treasurer's Report and bills to be paid were reviewed for June 2023. Mr. Wolgemuth made a motion, seconded by Mr. Klaus, to pay all bills marked with asterisks as presented on the June Treasurer's report. All voted in favor. Ms. Weaver abstained.

Mr. Wolgemuth made a motion, seconded by Mr. Bottomley to approve the Treasurer's report. All voted in favor.

Justin LaTourette – Purified Operations LLC: Kline's came to clean pump stations 1 and 4. There was a lot of grit and debris at pump station 4. Valves and check valves were replaced at pump station 4. Air release is coming from pump station 1. A manhole was full of rainwater, which was pumped out. This will need to be addressed in the future.

A subcontractor hit a manhole at 115 Main Street in the process of milling the street for the paving project. Ditchcreek came and jetted the line to remove the millings. Ditchcreek will bill the subcontractor directly, no bill will be sent to the Authority.

Joe still needs to do the 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter checks, which will likely be accomplished this month. There is a manhole on Main Street that needs a riser, and Justin will address this. Ditchcreek is done televising. There will be some things to address in the future such as some areas of blockages or roots. Dan will get costs by next meeting.

Dan Hershey – Hershey Engineering: Dan discussed what additional projects can be completed under the budget line item for line maintenance for this year. Options to be considered include additional televising or possible jetting. There was a discussion as to which companies provide the equipment and services for televising.

Mr. Wolgemuth made a motion, seconded by Ms. Schnoke to continue using Ditchcreek to televise up to the threshold of \$22,500. All voted in favor.

An air release valve needs a new valve and saddle, but the pipe is rusted. He recommends someone to check the integrity of the valve. He will get prices for the evaluation. Mr. Wolgemuth made a motion, seconded by Mr. Klaus, to not to exceed \$1,000 for an evaluation of an air release valve. All voted in favor.

The HVAC replacement at the plant in Myerstown will be over \$20,000, but they are waiting to have everything installed to have a final cost.

There is no new information for the Elm Street Subdivision at this time.

Draw down was performed on Pump Station 1 & 2. Pump Station 2 is downstream of Pump Station 1 and should be pumping the higher capacity, but it is not. Pump Station 2 is 50 years old and underperforming. Dan sent a will-serve letter to the developer of 120 Ash Road advising that Pump Station 2 needs to be upgraded for the requested capacity. Dan will reach out to the developer about a meeting to discuss this issue.

Todd from RigidPly had copies of the original approved plans which show easement. Amy reached out to Steve Sherk from Steckbeck Engineering, who was involved with the original plans. The easement is shown on the recorded Plan, but dedication documents have not been found for the lower lots (Lots 1 & 2) indicating whether that easement was dedicated to the Authority.

Amy Leonard, Solicitor: No response was received regarding the easement agreement that was sent to 16 East Bethany Road, Newmanstown.

Board Member Reports: None

The delinquency report was discussed. Recent bills were distributed with the incorrect date.

Correspondence: None.

Old Business: None.

New Business: None.

There being no further business to come before the Authority, Mr. Wolgemuth made a motion, seconded by Mr. Klaus, to adjourn the meeting. Meeting adjourned at 8:25 P.M.

Respectfully submitted by  
Secretary, Jessica Weaver