

**Berwick Area Joint Sewer Authority**  
**REGULAR MEETING**  
**FEBRUARY 8, 2017**  
**ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE**  
**1108 FREAS AVENUE**  
**BERWICK, PA 18603**

The monthly scheduled and advertised meeting of the Berwick Area Joint Sewer Authority (BAJSA) was called to order by Chairman Gary Pinterich at 6:00 pm. The pledge of allegiance to the flag was presented.

Roll call was taken and members in attendance were as follows: Chairman Gary Pinterich, Vice Chairman Jimmy Morris, Secretary Scott Bower, Treasurer George Welliver, 2<sup>nd</sup> Assistant Treasurer James Seeley, Pres. Pro Tem Richard Talanca, and Asst. Treasurer Benjamin Mike. Assistant Secretary Ernie Ashbridge was absent. Also in attendance were: Engineer Dennis Peters, Authority Manager Gloria Bobersky, and Solicitor Anthony McDonald and Erin Threet from HRG. Present from the public were Plant Superintendent Allan Fish and Kelley Creveling from 1375 Salem Blvd.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Motion made by Jimmy Morris to approve the meeting minutes of January 11, 2017. 2<sup>nd</sup> by George Welliver. All in favor and the motion passed unanimously.

**PUBLIC INPUT**

Kelley Creveling was present to explain that she is behind on her sewer bill and is now financially able to get it caught up to date but is asking for some forgiveness on the penalties on her account.

Motion made by Jimmy Morris to forgive penalties with Kelley's payment of \$1000.00 towards her principal. 2<sup>nd</sup> by George Welliver. All in favor and the motion passed unanimously.

**PAYMENT OF BILLS**

Motion made by George Welliver to approve the payment of bills in the amount of \$120,051.62. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Scott Bower. Roll call vote was taken and was as follows:

S. Bower	-	Yes
G. Welliver	-	Yes
G. Pinterich	-	Yes
J. Morris	-	Yes
R. Talanca	-	Yes
J. Seeley	-	Yes
B. Mike	-	Yes

All in favor and the motion passed unanimously.

**REPORTS**

**ENGINEER – HRG**

Erin Threet discussed the Aeration Blowers Upgrade Project. The bids were opened on February 7, 2017.

Motion made by George Welliver to award bid for General construction contract to Greenland Construction, Inc. and Electrical contract to ARC Electric Company, contingent upon receipt of executed Agreements, acceptable Performance and Payment Bonds, and applicable funding agency approvals. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Jimmy Morris. All in favor and the motion passed unanimously.

Motion made by George Welliver to authorize Authority Manager to sign documents for blower project. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Jimmy Morris. All in favor and the motion passed unanimously.

Motion made by George Welliver to allow HRG to move forward with construction phase. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Jim Seeley. All in favor and the motion passed unanimously.

**MANAGER**

Motion made by Jim Seeley to recind previous motion to use Eric Brown, former Labor Attorney. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Jimmy Morris. Roll call vote was taken and was as follows:

S. Bower	-	Yes
G. Welliver	-	Yes
G. Pinterich	-	Yes
J. Morris	-	Yes
R. Talanca	-	Yes
J. Seeley	-	Yes
B. Mike	-	Yes

All in favor and the motion passed unanimously.

Motion made by Jim Seely to hire Scott Gartley as new Labor attorney for union contract negotiations. 2<sup>nd</sup> by George Welliver. All in favor and the motion passed unanimously.

Motion made by Jimmy Morris to allow Authority Manager to look for investments for 2013 Bond for Debt reinvestments. 2<sup>nd</sup> by George Welliver. All in favor and the motion passed unanimously.

Motion made by George Welliver to get agreement with Clover Hill Estates for maintenance on their pump station. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Jimmy Morris. All in favor and the motion passed unanimously.

**SUPERINTENDENT**

Allan Fish discussed the status of the Plant. The Centrifuge is still not working and new bearing is being installed tomorrow. The Chlorinator is not 100%.

**SOLICITOR – ANTHONY MCDONALD**

Solicitor discussed there is no movement on O’Hara and the Bridal Chateau.

**ENGINEER – PETERS**

Dennis Peters briefly discussed the MS4.

Motion made by Ben Mike to accept GIS contract for \$37,000.00. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Scott Bower. All in favor and the motion passed unanimously.

**NEW BUSINESS**

Motion made by George Welliver to hire Steve Douthout to move sewer line on vacant lot in the amount of \$8,500.00. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Jimmy Morris. All were in favor and the motion passed unanimously.

Motion made by George Welliver to move forward with Storm water separation project and accept Pennvest loan. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Rick Talanca. All in favor and the motion passed unanimously.

Motion made by Jimmy Morris to approve Notice of award to Anrich for the final Storm water project. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Ben Mike. All in favor and the motion passed unanimously.

Motion made by George Welliver to approve Resolution No. 2 of 2017 to borrow from Pennvest. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Rick Talanca. All in favor and the motion passed unanimously.

Motion made by Scott Bower approve Resolution No. 3 of 2017 for Intent to reimburse General funds for Pennvest. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Jimmy Morris. All in favor and the motion passed unanimously.

**ADJOURN**

Motion made by Jimmy Morris to adjourn. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Scott Bower. All in favor and the motion passed unanimously.

The next regularly scheduled BAJSA meeting will be held on Wednesday March 8, 2017 at 6:00 pm.