

College Township Water Authority
Regular Meeting
Wednesday, July 11, 2007

Members

Present: Martin McGann, Chairman
Joe Fao, Vice Chairman
Richard Harris, Treasurer
Carmen Santasania, Secretary
Hayes Gearhart, Alternate

Absent: Michael Grutzeck, Member

Staff

Present: Adam Brumbaugh, Manager
Kim Mazur & Michael Daschbach, Entech
Alfred Jones, Solicitor
Robert Long, Finance Director
Lawana Brownson, Recording Secretary
Joseph Fedeli, Auditor

CALL TO ORDER: At 7:02 p.m., Mr. McGann called to order the Wednesday, July 11, 2007 regular meeting of the College Township Water Authority.

PUBLIC COMMENT: NONE

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

- 1. Mr. Harris moved to approve the April 4, 2007 CTWA Regular Meeting Minutes. Mr. Santasania seconded. Motion carried unanimously.**
- 2. Mr. Harris moved to approve the May 2, 2007 CTWA Regular Meeting Minutes. Mr. Fao seconded. Motion carried unanimously.**
- 3. Mr. Harris moved to approve the June 6, 2007 CTWA Regular Meeting Minutes. Mr. Fao seconded. Motion carried unanimously.**

OPERATIONS UPDATE: Mr. Brumbaugh stated that Rockview is now taking water from CTWA. He informed the board that there is a few leaks that have been located and that the leaks will be repaired.

FINANCE REPORT – Mr. Long, Finance Director: Mr. Long stated that the figures are coming in budget as expected. Mr. Brumbaugh stated that the reason CTWA is low on new water connection fees is due to low new construction.

OLD BUSINESS: NONE

NEW BUSINESS:

1. 2006 Unaccounted for Water Audit Report: Mr. Mazur stated that the unaccounted for water is up a little since last year. He stated that the large meter testing impacted last years results. Mr. McGann asked what percentage does DEP want CTWA have. Mr. Brumbaugh said that its not a requirement; rather a target number of 20%. Mr. McGann asked if there is any benefit to having less than 20%. Mr. Mazur stated that he would look into it. Mr. Brumbaugh stated that CTWA has funds for leak detection and that he would check with Mr. Williams to see when the next leak detection is planned.

2. Rockview Renegotiation: Mr. Brumbaugh stated that a few months ago CTWA sent a letter to Rockview stating that CTWA would consider looking at renegotiating the agreement. He said that when he met with Harry Bower in June he did not get any details on what Rockview wants to renegotiate. He stated that Rockview is charged \$1.74 per 1,000 gallons (\$85,000 a year) and after 61 months the rate will increase. He

stated that there was a Finance Committee Meeting earlier this week to discuss this issue. Mr. McGann stated that the committee has a list of options.

- Option 1: Do nothing
- Option 2: Eliminate the percentage increase after the 61st month (July 2009)
- Option 3: Partial percentage increase
- Option 4: Up the “take or pay” if a new facility is built
- Option 5: Instead of increasing percentage on the 61st month do it another month
- Option 6: Extend “take or pay” time limit
- Option 7: Reduce “take or pay” but charge full rate

Mr. Brumbaugh stated that it was discussed that the UAJA may possibly run the beneficial reuse line to Rockview. He suggested that CTWA form a renegotiation committee to discuss this matter. Mr. Harris stated that CTWA will need to discuss backup service costs. Mr. Jones suggested that CTWA find out what Rockview is willing to do in return. Mr. Brumbaugh stated that he will contact Harry Bower and inform him that CTWA is willing to negotiate but that CTWA wants more details. Mr. McGann, Mr. Brumbaugh and Mr. Fedeli all volunteered to be on the renegotiation committee.

SOLICITOR REPORT – Alfred Jones, Esquire: Mr. Jones informed the board that he is looking into how much of the road the Persia’s own. He stated that he would contact Scot Tudor to make sure they are on the same page.

ENGINEER REPORT –Entech Engineering: Mr. Mazur stated that CTWA now has all DEP and Penn Dot permits for Bellefonte Interconnect Project. He said that he is waiting on the easement agreements and the license agreement.

SUB-COMMITTEE REPORTS:

1. **Shiloh Road Project:** Mr. Harris stated that project is almost completed.
2. **Henszey Street Project:** Mr. Harris stated that the project is moving along nicely.

BOND REDEMPTION & IMPROVEMENT FUND REQUISITIONS:

- a. Mr. McGann stated that there are Bond Redemption & Improvement Fund Requisitions for June totaling \$2,817.71. Mr. Santasania moved that the Bond Redemption & Improvement Fund Requisitions be paid. Mr. Fao seconded. Motion carried unanimously.
- b. Mr. Harris moved to approve Resolution R-06-07. Mr. Santasania seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

REVIEW and APPROVAL of CONSTRUCTION DRAWS and INVOICES for PAYMENT:

Mr. McGann stated that there are Construction Invoices for July totaling \$70,269.52. Mr. Fao moved invoices be paid. Mr. Harris seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

OTHER MATTERS:

1. **Letter from Margaret Burgwin Re: Automatic Payment Option:** Mr. Long stated an ACH payment module would cost around \$2,000 plus bank fees. Mr. McGann suggested that CTWA looks into it further at budget time and that a letter be sent to customer stating that CTWA is looking into Automatic Payment.

CORRESPONDENCE: NONE

INFORMATIVE: NONE

ADJOURNMENT:

Mr. Harris moved to adjourn the July 11, 2007 regular meeting of the College Township Water Authority at 8:50 p.m. Mr. Fao seconded. Motion carried unanimously to adjourn.

Respectfully Submitted,

Lawana M. Brownson, Recording Secretary
cc/file Minutes Approved: