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**Reading Area Water Authority
Board Meeting
Tuesday March 19, 2019**

The Stated Board Meeting of the Reading Area Water Authority was held on Tuesday March 19, 2019 at 4:00 PM in the Board room of the RAWA Administration office, 1801 Kutztown Road, Reading PA 19604. Present were: Board Members: Chairman Ralph E. Johnson, Vice Chairman Steve Symons, Mr. Steven McCracken, Mrs. Cecile Grimshaw, Executive Director Bill Murray, Director of Operations and Maintenance Mr. Kim Mazur, Mr. Carl Scott, SSM Engineering, and Attorney Ed Stock, Solicitor. Absent was Dr. Phillip Dougherty. Chairman Johnson called the meeting to order at 4:15 pm.

No Public Comment

Chairman Johnson asked for a motion to pass the stated Board meeting minutes from February 19, 2019. Mr. McCracken made a motion to accept the stated board minutes. Mrs. Grimshaw seconded the motion. All in favor. Motion passed unanimously.

Chairman Johnson asked for a motion to approve the invoices for March 2019, for the General fund \$435,714.04, Capital fund \$291,455.33, Escrow fund \$16,087.25 and the Birdsboro Power escrow fund \$61,496.99. Mr. Symons made the motion to approve the February 2019 invoices and Mr. McCracken seconded the motion. All in favor. Motion passed unanimously.

Board Member Reports:

Chairman Johnson reported that he stopped recently on a Friday night to talk to a RAWA employee that was out working in the rain. He wanted to complement the work that he was doing even during the bad weather. He said he was very impressed with Cody and his work.

Vice Chairman Symons stated that there were more Review Panel Meetings during the month and all is going along as expected. Positive outcomes.

Mrs. Grimshaw wanted to say that as a Realtor in her personal life, she lets people know the positive in the RAWA charges.

Executive Director Report:

Mr. Murray asked Mr. Mazur and Mr. Phillips-Filter Plant Superintendent, to help show the Board of Directors the day to day work that the 3 of them do to run RAWA. Mr. Phillips showed a report that he must fill out for the AWWA annually, which is very detailed and shows the amount of water that would come from the pumping station and then into the system for the DCBR which is for the Ecosystem. Mr. Murray then said there is an additional DEP report that is sent in showing the unaccounted for water. Mr. Murray has now come up with additional report to show all the things that can be looked at for unaccounted for water that can be identified through testing, water main breaks, storage of water prior to customer distribution and more. All of this is being done in house to try to create a program to address unaccounted for water.

Director of Maintenance and Operations Report:

Mr. Mazur asked for a motion to purchase a Phosphate Analyzer at a Costars price of \$17,500.00 which was allocated in the 2019 budget. Mr. McCracken Made the motion and Mrs. Grimshaw seconded the motion to purchase the Phosphate Analyzer at a Costars price of \$17,500.00. All in favor. Motion passed

Mr. Mazur gave updates on the Filter Rehab project, Birdsboro Power and Siphon Chamber projects. Mr. Mazur mentioned that the Birdsboro Power Plant has started to take a noticeable amount of water during the month. The Plant is still in the testing phase, they are stating early May to go live.

Engineers Report:

Mr. Carl went over the Engineering projects currently under way. The Emergency Action Plan is nearly completed. Mr. Scott also mentioned a recent main break on 2nd St. where they had their geologist come out to the site to lend a hand in the project. Mr. Murray thanked Mr. Scott for the quick response on this issue.

Meeting moved to Executive Session for potential litigation at 5:10pm

Meeting moved out of Executive Session at 5:22pm

Meeting adjourned at 5:22pm