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READING AREA WATER AUTHORITY  
BOARD MEETING  
4:00 PM  
Tuesday March 15, 2022

In attendance were Chairman Rev. Steven McCracken, Vice Chairman Richard Carpenter, Mr. Earl Lucas, Mrs. Cecile Grimshaw, Mr. Jamal Abodalo, RAWA Solicitor Attorney Edwin Stock, Executive Director Mr. Bill Murray, Director of Maintenance and Operations Mr. Gary Phillips, Engineering Manager Mr. Yuri Evans, Meter Department Manager Mrs. Amy Styer, Administrator Mrs. Sue Ruotolo, Human Resources Manager Mrs. Wendalin Marrero, Plant Superintendent Mr. Patrick Bauer, Mr. Brian Hassinger from SSM Engineering. Absent were Dr. Phillip Dougherty and Mr. Daniel Luckey

Meeting was brought to order at 4:03 PM and the Pledge of Allegiance and moment of silence was observed.

Chairman McCracken asked for a motion to approve the February 15, 2022 meeting minutes. A motion was made by Mr. Lucas and seconded by Mr. Abodalo. All in favor. Motion passed.

Chairman McCracken asked for a motion to approve payment of the March 2022 invoices, for General Fund in the amount of \$535,515.39 Capital Fund in the amount of \$96,940.65 and the Escrow Fund in the amount of \$3,507.80. A motion was made by Mr. Lucas and seconded by Mr. Abodalo. All in favor. Motion passed.

Mr. Murray mentioned that the monthly department reports were included in the information given to each Board Member. There were no questions.

Mr. Murray let the Board of Directors know that the EPA will be on site for an inspection and will report next month as to what transpires during the visit.

Mr. Murray explained the need to have an emergency repair done at the centrifuge. He asked to have an increase in the budgeted amount to \$105,000 to cover the amount needed. A motion was made by Mrs. Grimshaw and seconded by Mr. Abodalo. A discussion was had and the motion passed unanimously.

Attorney Stock asked for a motion to approve the Waterline Extension Agreement for Ontelaunee Industrial. A motion was made to approve the agreement by Mr. Carpenter and seconded by Mr. Abodalo. All in favor. Motion passed.

Attorney Stock asked for a motion to approve the Core – 5 agreement. A motion was made by Mr. Abodalo and seconded by Mr. Lucas. A discussion was had concerning the rates, which will be special rate structure for the area once the line has been dedicated back to RAWA. All in favor. Motion passed.

Vice Chairman Carpenter joined the meeting via Zoom.

An Executive Session was called at 4:40 PM. Regular meeting resumed at 4:55 PM

A motion was made for the non-union personnel to receive a 4% annual pay increase by Mr. Abodalo and seconded by Mrs. Grimshaw. All in favor. Motion passed.

A motion to adjourn was made by Mr. Abodalo at 5:00 PM