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READING AREA WATER AUTHORITY
BOARD MEETING
4:00 PM
Tuesday October 18, 2022

In attendance were Vice Chairman Richard Carpenter, Mr. Jamal Abodalo, Mrs. Cecile Grimshaw, Mr. Daniel Luckey, RAWA Solicitor Attorney Edwin Stock, Executive Director Mr. Bill Murray, Director of Operations & Maintenance Mr. Gary Phillips, Distribution Superintendent Mr. Anthony Reynolds, Engineering Manager Mr. Yuri Evans, Meter Department Manager Mrs. Amy Styer, Customer Service Manager Ms. Tracey Karish, Plant Superintendent Mr. Patrick Bauer, Ms. Erin Snihur, Mr. Brian Hassinger from SSM Engineering and Tom Beckett. Absent was Chairman Rev. Steven McCracken, Mr. Earl Lucas, Dr. Phillip Dougherty.

Meeting was brought to order at 4:24 PM and the Pledge of Allegiance and moment of silence was observed.

Vice Chairman Richard Carpenter asked for a motion to approve the September 20, 2022 meeting minutes. A motion was made by Mr. Abodalo and seconded by Mrs. Grimshaw. All in favor. Motion passed.

Vice Chairman Richard Carpenter asked for a motion to approve payment of the October 2022 invoices for General Fund in the amount of \$645,669.33, Capital Fund in the amount of \$4,578.55 and the Escrow Fund in the amount of \$23,363.50. A motion was made by Mr. Luckey and seconded by Mr. Abodalo. All in favor. Motion passed.

Mr. Murray let the Board of Directors know that the monthly department reports were included in the information given to each Board Member. There were no questions. Mr. Murray updated the Board of Directors on the monthly activities and Mr. Patrick Bauer gave an update on the current drought situation. Mr. Murray and Tom Beckett discussed the investment policy. RAWA will be looking, with the assistance of Mr. Beckett, into safe guarded investments opportunities. Mr. Murray provide a Dam update. SSM viewed the dam and bridge with a drone, the bridge has some deterioration which presents a safety concerns. Mr. Murray feels it would be beneficial to close the bridges' sidewalks. Mr. Murray discussed the need for the dam permit from DEP. After discussion with DEP, DEP notified RAWA they currently don't have the funding or the personnel to provide an approved permit at this time. In order for RAWA to apply for funding, through PennVest, an approved permit is required. Permit application was submitted in 2016.

Mr. Hassinger from SSM Engineering let the Board of Directors know that the CLP West Run tank 2 and well 2, are up and running. Mr. Hassinger let the Board of Directors know that Core 5, 183 warehouse escrow posted and is moving along, breaking ground. Mr. Hassinger let the Board of Directors know that the tab fee proposal for Berks Park 78 Remark Logistics site has been tabled.

Attorney Stock presented the approval agreement between Calpine Power Plant and RAWA. This would extend the agreement for 5 years. A motion was made by Mr. Abodalo and seconded by Mrs. Grimshaw to allow agreement to be signed. All in favor. Motion passed. Mr. Stock presented for approval the dedication and acceptance agreement for Ontelaunee Industrial Park. A motion was made by Mr. Luckey and seconded by Mrs. Grimshaw to allow agreement to be signed. All in favor. Motion passed. Mr. Stock presented for approval the dedication and acceptance agreement for Berkshire Greens Inc. A motion was made by Mr. Grimshaw and seconded by Mrs. Abodalo to allow agreement to be signed. All in favor. Motion passed. Mr. Stock presented for approval the Amerigreen Sludge Hauling contract. Mr. Luckey asked if the material was hazardous and Mr. Abodalo asked if it was necessary to bid out project. Mr. Stock advised material is not hazardous and bidding is not required. A motion was made by Mrs. Grimshaw and seconded by Mr. Abodalo to allow agreement to be signed. All in favor. Motion passed.

An Executive Session was called for a Personnel issue.

Meeting resumed at 5:57 pm.

A motion to adjourn was made by Mr. Luckey at 5:57 PM