

GREENVILLE WATER AUTHORITY
REGULAR MEETING OF THE
BOARD OF DIRECTORS
March 11, 2009 5:30 p.m.

Members Present:	Dick Miller, Chairman Chad Sankey, Vice Chairman Gary Beatty, Treasurer Joanne Price, Member Sarah Eutsey, Member Marion Rosselot, Ass't Sect. Treasurer
Engineer:	Tom Thompson, Gannett Fleming
Solicitor	Warren Keck
Employees Present:	William Brady, Superintendent Maria Kerekes, Office Manager
Press:	Natalie Kennedy, Record Argus
Guests:	Diana Miller Anthony D'Alfonso Lucia D'Alfonso Thomas D'Alfonso, Jr. Jill Redfoot Brian Shipley

Meeting called to order by Mr. Miller. Since Mr. Keck had other commitments, questions for the Solicitor were addressed first. Mrs. Price questioned the difference between the proposed easement and the terminating agreement, Mr. Keck stated the area of the easement was for future development and expansion and the partial relocation was done to accommodate the developer. Mrs. Price questioned whether the easement agreement was with Byzantine Properties or Mitch Properties, since the easement agreement is with Byzantine and the attachments are with Mitch Properties. Mr. Keck explained that Mitch Properties holds the property rights so the agreement would be with Mitch properties. Mrs. Price then questioned the recording number on the termination easement as it was incorrect. Mr. Keck stated he would verify the correct number.

The minutes of the February 11, 2009 meeting were reviewed. Mrs. Price stated she wanted added to the minutes that Mrs. Eutsey and herself in their opinion felt the tank was not needed and that it hasn't been sized yet by the Board. Also regarding the Moody report Mrs. Price in her opinion felt the wording was misleading because the RFP was not specific enough.

Regarding the approval of a Real Estate agent Mrs. Price wanted the minutes to reflect that she did not want to hire a real estate agent since she does not want any more land sold. She asked it to be recorded that Mrs. Eutsey and herself in their opinion were not in favor of securing a real estate agent as well as Mr. Beatty. Mr. Beatty reiterated that his statement was, although now is not the time to sell property there was no reason we could not engage a Real estate agent. Mrs. Rosselot concurred to Mr. Beatty's statement. After much discussion it was decided since Mr. Fisher was not present and as

Secretary responsible for the minutes, the vote on the minutes would be tabled until Mr. Fisher reviews the minutes and determines what should be documented.

Jill Redfoot addressed the board concerning the rusty water problem that was still ongoing in the Donation Road area. She stated although the loop had been completed whenever her neighbor's are not home her water will still be rusty because of the lack of usage in the area. She stated she still needs to call the office and have the hydrant opened to flush out the lines. Mr. Brady explained we have been working diligently on this situation and stated he and Mr. Thompson had informed the board the loop we were going to create could help the problem and in fact it did initially. He assured Ms. Redfoot he would sit down with the Engineer and decide the next course of action to address this problem. Ms. Redfoot explained also whenever there has been a leak in the system all the hot water is drained back into the system. Mrs. Eutsey discussed the need for backflow preventers and how they were mandatory within her system in Seven Springs where she worked. Mr. Brady explained that legislation is such that the larger communities have been mandated to install backflow preventers, but the smaller systems have not be required to do that yet but legislation is coming. He stated that it would be an expense and responsibility to the homeowner to have the preventers professionally installed and they have to be routinely inspected by certified personnel.

Mr. Beatty gave the Treasurers report. He reported the Authority for the month of February has a balance of \$610,928.68 in unrestricted funds with committed funds of \$349,470.00 leaving a balance of \$261,458.68 in available funds. Mr. Beatty motioned the Treasurers' report be accepted, seconded by Mrs. Rosselot. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

Karen Abusaleh presented the Authority Audit prepared by Paparone, Stillwaggon & McGill. After reviewing several line items and reporting the Authority was financially sound, motion by Mr. Beatty to adopt the 2008 financial audit report, seconded by Mrs. Rosselot. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

The personnel policy was discussed. Mrs. Price stated she felt several changes should be made to the personnel policy and Mr. Brady had informed the board that Mr. Keck recommended the personnel policy remain with no changes, since someone had anonymously approached the press regarding various personnel issues that were on the Board table. After lengthy discussion Mr. Brady was instructed to once again send out all the recommended changes to the Board via e-mail.

The Engineer's report was presented by Mr. Thompson. He reviewed the project priority list and pointed out the Total chlorine analyzer had been installed. Mrs. Eutsey requested the Donation Road project be placed on the priority list.

Mr. Thompson reported they have started the map of potential site contaminations. And that DEP has provided additional information for the base map and mapping sites.

He reported that DEP has issued the permit for the Hadley Road tank project. The PA H2O grant application as well as the Pennvest application has been submitted.

The Engineering annual report was discussed. Mrs. Price questioned the line item regarding routine inspections and maintenance at the Filter Plant. Mr. Thompson explained his reference to the maintenance pertained to the Authority tanks, and that the routine maintenance to plant equipment was up to the operators. Mrs. Price questioned if the modeling would show the inadequacies in the system. Mr. Thompson explained that the modeling detailed the layout of the system and is used to determine the flows of the system. The river crossing project was discussed. Mr. Beatty questioned the status of property purchase on N. Front Street. Mr. Brady informed him the house we had originally looked at on Race Street didn't work out and we are still looking for a house to relocate the gentleman from N. Front Street. Mr. Miller recommended we contact Janet Landfried who is a prominent real estate agent in the Greenville area. After further discussion, Motion by Mrs. Rosselot to accept the Engineers annual audit, seconded by Mr. Sankey. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

Further discussion was held on the Shenango River crossing project. Motion by Mr. Sankey we go to design on the River crossing project, seconded by Mr. Beatty. Motion carried by unanimous vote. After discussion regarding the S. Mercer Street project it was felt the engineer may already have this project in design stage. Mr. Thompson stated he would check on the status of that project and let the Board know. Mr. Sankey asked to have his motion rescinded, which Mr. Beatty agreed. Mr. Sankey motioned that we go into design stage of the Shenango River crossing project and the S. Mercer St. project if already not done, seconded by Mr. Beatty. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

Mrs. Price brought up the fact that in her's and Mrs. Eutsey's opinion it was wrong of Mr. Miller to arbitrarily cancel the scheduled meeting at the Booster station. In addition in her opinion the letter that Mr. Miller wrote to the Hospital was inappropriate.

Superintendent's report was given by Mr. Brady. He reviewed the Public Right to know policy with recommended pricing by Pennsylvania office of open records.

Meeting adjourned 8:00 p.m.

Thomas Fisher
Secretary