# Board Meeting of 05/09/2012

# **North Wales Water Authority**

## Minutes

The business meeting of the Authority Board of Directors was called to order by the Board Chair, Joan Nagel, at 5:00 p.m. on May 9, 2012, in the NWWA Board Room, 200 West Walnut Street, North Wales, Pennsylvania, 19454

# Pledge of Allegiance & Roll Call:

| Attendee Name           | Organization                | Title  | Status  |
|-------------------------|-----------------------------|--|---------|
| Joan Nagel              | North Wales Water Authority | Chair  | Present |
| Albert Tenney           | North Wales Water Authority | Vice Chair   | Present |
| Carene Makinson-Sanders | North Wales Water Authority | Secretary  | Present |
| Herbert Kavash          | North Wales Water Authority | Treasurer  | Present |
| Donna Mengel            | North Wales Water Authority | Asst. Treasurer/Secretary  | Present |
| Robert C. Bender        | North Wales Water Authority | Executive Director   | Present |
| Raymond J Berry         | North Wales Water Authority | Director of Operations   | Present |
| Christine Lezoche       | North Wales Water Authority | Director of Finance  | Absent  |
| Michael P Clarke, Esq.  | Rudolph, Clarke & Kirk LLC  | Authority Solicitor  | Present |
| Kenneth Heydt, P.E.     | Carroll Engineering Corp    | Authority Engineer   | Present |
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# **Minutes Approval**

Upon motion by member Tenney seconded by member Kavash, the minutes of April 25, 2012 were approved.

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|     |            |                         |           | Yes/Aye | No/Nay | Abstain | Absent |
|     | Joan Nagel | -9- 900                 | Х         |         | 2      |         |        |
| Χ   | Accepted   | Albert Tenney           |           | X       |        |         |        |
|     |            | Carene Makinson-Sanders |           | X       |        |         |        |
|     |            | Herbert Kavash          | Seconded  | X       |        |         |        |
|     |            | Donna Mengel            | Initiator | X       |        |         |        |

**Public Comment** - No public was in attendance

#### **Bids & Contracts-**

Mr. Bender asked for a motion to award the following bids noting that both were line items approved within the 2011-12 capital improvements budget, that the bids were advertised and processed through the PennBid system and that all bids came in under budget. Ms. Mengel stated that should the roofing contract need to go to the next lower bidder for any reason, she will need to abstain from that vote as she has a potential conflict of interest with that bidder.

Motion to Award Contract # 570-12-18 to Union Roofing Co for the replacement of the Meter Shop roof in the amount of \$29,900.00

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|           |            |                         |           | Yes/Aye | No/Nay  | Abstain | Absent |
| v         |            | Joan Nagel              |           | Х       |         | 14,,    |        |
| X Accepto | Accepted   | Albert Tenney           | Initiated | Х       |         | i       |        |
|           |            | Carene Makinson-Sanders |           | Х       | - HUHUM |         |        |
|           |            | Herbert Kavash          |           | Х       |         |         |        |
|           |            | Donna Mengel            | Seconded  | Х       |         |         |        |

Motion to Award Contract #520-12-17 to A C Schultes, Inc for the pump replacement at Well 31 in the amount of \$15,450.00

| -W         |                         |               |           | Yes/Aye | No/Nay | Abstain                                | Absent |
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| X Accepted | Joan Nagel              |               | х         |         |        |  |        |
|            | epted                   | Albert Tenney | Initiated | Х       |        | ************************************** |        |
|            | Carene Makinson-Sanders |               | X         |         |        |  |        |
|            | Herbert Kavash          |               | X         |         |        |  |        |
|            |                         | Donna Mengel  | Seconded  | Х       |        |  |        |

#### Financial Update -

Chris Gibbons of Concord Public Finance was present to update the Board on structuring borrowings as needed to best accommodate upcoming financial needs of the Authority. Mr. Bender summarized several large capital projects scheduled to be completed within the next few years and noted that that he had asked Mr. Gibbons to look at various options for financing those projects. Mr. Gibbons then outlined several options he is proposing allowing the Authority to take advantage of lower interest rates and with regard to refinancing existing bonds, with a savings of approximately \$400,000.00 and allow the Authority to make necessary system improvements.

# **Resolutions - None this meeting**

#### Solicitor's Report

Mr. Clarke reported that he has sent a letter regarding our RACP grant to the Office of the Budget requesting waiver of Grant requirement # 11 as being unnecessary. He advised that his office is also preparing an addendum to the UGT/NWWA sewer agreement and a resolution/declaration of taking in regards to an easement needed for the County Line Road Transmission Line.

## **Engineer's Report**

Mr. Heydt asked the Board to approve the third and final payment for Contract # 530-11-23 E-0972 West St in the amount of \$13,848.82 to Joao & Bradley Construction Inc.

|            |            |                         |           | Yes/Aye | No/Nay | Abstain | Absent |
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| X Accepted | Joan Nagel |                         | X         |         |        |         |        |
|            | Accepted   | Albert Tenney           |           | Х       |        |         |        |
|            |            | Carene Makinson-Sanders |           | Х       |        |         |        |
|            |            | Herbert Kavash          | Seconded  | Х       |        |         |        |
|            |            | Donna Mengel            | Initiated | х       |        |         |        |

## **Operations Report**

Mr. Berry reported that the RFP for the SCADA upgrade project has been sent out and that the results will be ready for the first meeting in June.

## **Bills, Requisitions & Refunds Approval:**

Mr. Bender noted for the Board that the bill listing includes the annual rental payment to the Borough for the emergency operations center rental, and that and all other bills were customary and routine payments, recommending and requesting approval to pay all invoices, process all refunds, and to transfer and/or requisition funds, as presented.

- a. Approval of Bills, Refunds, Transfers and Requisitions List dated: 04/27/2012
- b. Approval of Bills, Refunds, Transfers and Requisitions List dated: 05/02/2012

Upon approval, the Board Chair signed all of the lists.

| <b>☑</b> Vote Record |                         |           |         |        |                                     |        |
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|                      |                         |           | Yes/Aye | No/Nay | Abstain                             | Absent |
| x Accepted           | Joan Nagel              |           | Χ       |        |                                     |        |
|                      | Albert Tenney           |           | Χ       |        |                                     |        |
|                      | Carene Makinson-Sanders |           | Χ       |        | ALLALA BARAN / ARRESTA BARAN POPPER |        |
|                      | Herbert Kavash          | Initiator | X       |        |                                     |        |
|                      | Donna Mengel            | Seconded  | χ       |        |                                     |        |

## **Executive Director's Report**

Mr. Bender discussed the proposed Rentricity contract noting that the document is not ready for Board decision at this time, as final details are still being still being worked out. The program is intended to allow the Authority to install a hydroelectric generator device within the water system, thereby generating electrical energy, and reducing our overall energy costs. It is proposed that the transfer station on Evans Rd in Lower Gwynedd Township will be the first location for this effort.

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Mr. Bender also informed the Board that due to the in ability to get new parts for our SCADA system we are purchasing them from eBay and need to open a special payment account for this purpose. The Board agreed with this procedure.

# **Adjournment:**

There being no further business before the Board, upon motion by Mr. Kavash, seconded by Ms. Mengel, the meeting was adjourned at 5:50 pm. All present voted in favor.

Respectfully Submitted,

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