

The MINUTES of the meeting of the DELAWARE TOWNSHIP MUNICIPAL UTILITIES AUTHORITY held on October 6, 2022 in the township Municipal Building at 7:30PM.

“Adequate notice of this meeting has been provided, indicating the time and place of the meeting and the proposed agenda, which notice was posted, made available to newspapers, and filed with the Clerk of the Township of Delaware in accordance with Section 3(d) of Chapter 231 of the Public Laws of 1975.

Members present:

Chairman	Dwain Floyd	PRESENT
Vice chairman	xxxxxxx	VACANT
Treasurer	Mario Russo	ABSENT
Executive Secretary	Anthony Abbatiello	PRESENT
Member	Jim Mathews	PRESENT
First Alternate	Tim Soltis	ABSENT
Second Alternate	Joe Vocke	PHONE
Administrator	Dianne Rankin	PRESENT

Mr. Floyd led the Board in the Pledge of Allegiance. Open public notice was read.

MR.MATHEWS MOVED TO APPROVE THE September 1, 2022 MINUTES. Mr. Abbatiello seconded the motion. The minutes were approved.

Mrs. Rankin reviewed the Monthly Administration Report. She advised the board that the NSU contract is almost ready for signing. She, Chairman Floyd and Attorney Cushing have been working hard on clarifying some of the details. She informed the board that there are not as many problems with the wellhead injection system there still remains ongoing problems in calibration. She said this has been a problem from day one and requires a lot of monitoring. The new contract will charge the DTMUA for emergency calls but Mrs. Rankin said since the unit has never worked as it should why should DTMUA pay for calls for the malfunctioning of the unit which should not be happening. Mr. Mathews said it doesn't make sense to pay extra for a unit recommended and installed by NSU and not working properly. This problem needs to be addressed with NSU.

Mrs. Rankin said she is in contact with NIKLE, a community wide notification system. It would cost the DTMUA about \$200 to set up the website and about \$2000 a year to operate. The board decided to table this discussion until the next meeting.

The board decided to go ahead and join the PFAS class action suit on advice of counsel.

Mrs. Rankin said there is considerable money in the checking account that is not earning interest. She called PNC Bank and their short term CD rate is 0.04%. She will contact our Accountant and see if he can advise on where we could invest some of our funds for a higher rate of return.

Mr. Vocke joined the meeting via phone to vote on the NSU Contract and the Rankin Settlement Agreement. He was informed that the NSU contract was not ready but the Settlement Agreement was. MR. VOCKE MOVED TO APPROVE THE RANKIN SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT. Mr. Abbatiello seconded the motion. The Settlement Agreement was approved.

MR. MATHEWS MOVED TO APPROVE THE NEW SALARY INCREASE FOR MRS. RANKIN AT \$18,600/YEAR AND RETROACTIVE TO JANUARY 1, 2022. Mr. Abbatiello seconded the motion. The motion was approved.

On September 27 the well motor and pump failed. The board was notified by email that this was an emergency repair and approved its replacement to be done immediately done by Stothoff Well Company costing \$18,300. MR. MATHEWS MOVED TO APPROVE THE EMERGENCY REPAIR OF THE WELL MOTOR, PUMP AND PIPELINES BY STOTHOFF WELL FOR \$18,300. Mr. Abbatiello seconded the motion. The motion was approved.

MR. MATHEWS MOVED TO AUTHORIZE CHAIRMAN FLOYD TO SIGN THE AUDIT REPRESENTATION LETTER FOR OUR ANNUAL AUDIT. Mr. Abbatiello seconded the motion and it was approved. Mr. Floyd signed the letter.

The board worked on developing a new 2023 budget to be sent to the Accountant and to be prepared and approved by the State. The main areas of change were the new NSU costs and a projected increase in cell tower fees when the new contract is signed in September.

MR. MATHEWS APPROVED THE OPENING OF A \$5000 ESCROW ACCOUNT FOR GTG BUILDERS AT THE PNC BANK IN FLEMINGTON. Mr. Abbatiello seconded the motion. The motion was approved.

MR. MATHEWS MOVED TO APPROVE THE BILL LIST THAT TOTALS \$54965.71. Mr. Abbatiello seconded the motion. The bill list was approved.

At 8:30PM MR. MATHEWS MOVED TO ADJOURN THE MEETING. Mr. Abbatiello seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted

Dianne Rankin