

The MINUTES of the meeting of the DELAWARE TOWNSHIP MUNICIPAL UTILITIES AUTHORITY held on August 04, 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	Steven Toy	ABSENT
Treasurer	Mario Russo	PRESENT
Executive Secretary	Anthony Abbatiello	PRESENT
Member	Jim Mathews	PRESENT
First Alternate	Tim Soltis	ABSENT
Second Alternate	Joe Vocke	PRESENT
Administrator	Dianne Rankin	PRESENT

Mr. Floyd led the Board in the Pledge of Allegiance. Open Public Record notice was cited. Rollcall was taken.

MR.MATHEWS MOVED TO APPROVE THE JULY 7, 2022 MINUTES. Mr. Russo seconded the motion. The minutes were approved.

Mrs. Rankin read the Monthly Report to the Board. She covered the plant operations contract drafted by NSU and recommended some changes. The Board discussed the pros and cons of signing a service agreement contract for one year with NSU or sending the contract out to bid for a 5 year contract. The Board agreed that the service agreement was to their advantage and it is what has been signed in the prior years with NSU. Mrs. Rankin pointed out that in the agreement NSU will service our generators. We have an agreement with a EMR Pro to service at a cost of around \$2000. Since NSU will provide the service she recommended the Board cancel the EMR service and save the cost. She also told the Board that she has asked that NSU charge the proposed monthly charge for the plant operations for July since they started in July rather than time and materials which they had proposed initially and that that should be in the service agreement back dated to July 1.

In the Monthly Report Mrs. Rankin told the Board that the Township Committee might be interested in moving our office to another location so they can hire a road department supervisor who will use our current office space full time. There is no time schedule for this event. She said that plant operations are now running smoothly. Our new permit has higher nitrate standards and DTMUA has 30 months to meet these new standards. The insurance application forms for next year are completed.

Mrs. Rankin pointed out that the neighbor along the western sewer plant boundary has planted bamboo plants that are encroaching the facilities next to the sand beds. This represents a risk to effective and efficient plant operations and the Board asked Mrs. Rankin to send a letter to the Zoning Officer asking him to advise the neighbor they need to remediate the problem. She told the Board that our long standing Yahoo account has been suspended and she is having a lot of difficulties restoring it. She will continue to follow up. Mr. Mathews suggested she get a township address. Other subjects mentioned in the report were the resurfacing of the road within our service area and the potential availability of federal infrastructure funds.

Chairman Floyd said that there were 4 power outage calls and he responded to 2 of them. Mr. Floyd said he would like to add more specific details on what NSU is responsible for in operations and will discuss this with our attorney. Mr. Russo added that there should be a stipulation in the contract that someone be available to attend our meetings for current plant issues and operations. Mr. Floyd pointed out that engineer markout costs are expensive and said we should only be charged for calls within our district since the calling range is an extensive area. He said Jim Huntington advised him that plant operations are now running smoothly. Mr. Mathews asked about chlorine and pH levels at the water plant. Mr. Floyd responded that a broken probe has been replaced and there have been no emergency calls. It is not known if the broken probe had anything to do with the prior malfunctions. Mr. Russo said the new agreement should be dated through January 31, 2023 after which we will approve a new contract at our reorganization for a full year if desired.

MR. RUSSO MOVED TO APPROVE THE LEGAL CONTRACT WITH GEBHARDT & KIEFER AND RICHARD CUSHING OUR ATTORNEY FOR THE CURRENT YEAR AT THE SAME RATE AS THE LAST CONTRACT. Mr. Mathews seconded the motion. The motion was approved.

MR. RUSSO MOVED TO CANCEL THE EMR SERVICE CONTRACT OF OUR GENERATORS AND ALLOW NSU TO SERVICE THEM PER OUR NEW AGREEMENT. Mr. Mathews seconded the motion. The motion was approved.

MR. RUSSO MOVED TO APPROVE THE BILL LIST THAT TOTALS \$22490.64. Mr. Vovke seconded the motion. The motion was approved.

At 8:35PM MR. MATHEWS MOVED TO ADJOURN THE MEETING. Mr. Mathews seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Dianne Rankin