

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE
JERSEY SHORE AREA JOINT WATER AUTHORITY
HELD ON JUNE 21, 2023, AT 1111 BARDO AVENUE
JERSEY SHORE, PENNSYLVANIA 17740

Chairman Kenneth B. Bierly called the meeting to order at 6:00 P.M. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag.

Members present were Barbara E. Schmouder, Kenneth B. Bierly, Dwayne S. Wasson, Brett S. Bowes, and Lisa L. Urbine. Also, present was Manager Eric S. Johnston, Travis Long, CEP, JHA Companies, Billy Clees (public) and Harold Cole and Harold Malehorn from the Pennsylvania Game Commission.

The Chairman turned the floor over to Harold Cole and Harold Malehorn from the Pennsylvania Game Commission to speak on the Hunter Access Program Cooperative Agreement with regards to the Larry's Creek Property. Billy Clees spoke about accessing Larry's Creek Property for hunting. He is hopeful that we will not keep people from accessing the property for he does hunt there and last Travis Long, CEP, Vice President & Director of Environmental Service was given the opportunity to speak on possibly working with the authority.

The Chairman announced that there would be an **Executive Session** to **discuss Legal Issues** starting at 7:37 p.m. The meeting was reconvened at 8:21 p.m. The Chair, Kenneth B. Bierly announced that the Executive Session was held to discuss Legal Issues. The Chair then announced that this meeting is being recorded for accuracy.

Approval of minutes from **June 6, 2023, Monthly Meeting**. A motion was made by Brett S. Bowes seconded by Lisa L. Urbine to approve the June 6, 2023, Monthly Meeting Minutes. The motion passed unanimously.

Eric S. Johnston presented the **Manager's Report for June 21, 2023**. A copy of the Manager's Report is in the minute book along with other pertinent information. A motion made by Brett S. Bowes, seconded by Dwayne S. Wasson that Manager's Report for June 21, 2023, be accepted as presented. The motion passed unanimously.

Committee Reports:

- **Operation** – A meeting was held on June 12, 2023, with Larson Design at 9:30 a.m. at the Authority Office. A full and complete report from the Committee Chair, Lisa L. Urbine, is in the minute book. A motion was made by Brett S. Bowes, seconded by Dwayne S. Wasson to accept the June 12, 2023, committee report with Larson Design as presented. The motion passed unanimously.
- **Personnel** – None
- **Finance** – None
- **Advisory** – None
- **Grants/Special Projects** – None

Old Business: None

New Business:

- **Discussion on Engineering Services** – A motion was made by Dwayne S. Wasson, seconded by Brett S. Bowes to issue a stop work order with Larson Design Group, Inc. for the Larry's Creek project and the South Avis project.
- **Lobar Inc. Invoice** – A motion was made by Brett S. Bowes, seconded by Barbara E. Schmouder to settle at \$50,000 upon receipt of 50% by Larson Design Inc by June 30, 2023. The motion was approved unanimously.
- **Discussion on approving the 2022 Final Audit from Baker Tilly** – A motion was made by Lisa L. Urbine, seconded by Brett S. Bowes to approve the 2022 Final Audit from Baker Tilly. The motion was approved unanimously.
- **Discussion Larry's Creek Property** – A motion was made by Brett S. Bowes, seconded by Dwayne S. Wasson that we adopt the first option that our solicitor Paul J. Ryan, made as follows:

That notice be given to the camp occupants that the Authority is closing their land to public use and they must remove their property and possessions no later than August 30, 2023. The motion carried unanimously.

Upon approval by the Pennsylvania Game Commission, anyone accessing Authority property must fill out a form obtained at the authority office, receive a decal for their vehicle and stay on the posted trail to state game lands. Absolutely no vehicles will be allowed beyond the designated parking area. The only access across our property will be by walking on the

designated path. There will be no loaded firearms on the public access property. The motion was made by Dwayne S. Wasson, seconded by Lisa L. Urbine. The motion carried unanimously.

- **Part Time Help – Information** - Authority Manager noted that he hired two part time workers for the Summer.
- **Discussion on Rate Increase for Commercial and Industrial Users** – It was thoroughly discussed, and a motion was made by Brett S. Bowes, seconded by Dwayne S. Wasson that Commercial and Industrial Users using 199,000 gallons and above be priced at \$11 per 1,000 gallons. The motion carried unanimously.

Lisa L. Urbine made a motion, seconded by Brett S. Bowes to approve the partial payment of the **monthly bills in the amount of \$27,330.75**. The motion passed unanimously.

The next meeting will be **August 1, 2023, at 6:30 p.m.**

Dwayne S. Wasson made a motion seconded by Kenneth B. Bierly that the meeting be adjourned at 9:25 p.m.



Barbara E. Schmouder, Secretary