

MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF THE
JERSEY SHORE AREA JOINT WATER AUTHORITY
HELD ON AUGUST 22, 2023, AT 1111 BARDO AVENUE
JERSEY SHORE, PENNSYLVANIA 17740

Chairman Kenneth B. Bierly called the meeting to order at 6:03 P.M. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag and a moment of silence for Eric Johnston and his family.

Members present were Kenneth B. Bierly, Barbara E. Schmouder, Brett S. Bowes, Krista J. Gephart, Samantha L. McIlwain, Dwayne S. Wasson, and Lisa L. Urbine. Also, present was Manager Eric S. Johnston, Paul J. Ryan, Esq., and Jim Balliet Engineer from GWIN, DOBSON & FOREMAN, INC. Also, David Nihart, Officer Shoemaker from PA Fish and Boat Commission and from the PA Game Commission Dave Carlin and Officer Bernardi.

The Chairman turned the floor over to **David Nihart, from the PA Fish and Boat Commission**, who presented information regarding Larry's Creek and keeping it open to the public for fishing. After his presentation the two gentlemen from the PA Game Commission were given an opportunity to speak and then the board was given an opportunity to ask questions. It was decided that with the right of way and the documents that were presented that Mr. Carlin and Officer Bernardi stated that they would send further information by email regarding such. It was decided that we would wait until we received the information before having any further discussion.

Chairman Kenneth B. Bierly stated that there would be an **Executive Session** beginning at 6:30 p.m. to discuss **Legal Issues**. The Business Meeting reconvened at 7:18 p.m.

Chairman Kenneth B. Bierly turned the floor over to Jim Balliet from GWIN, DOBSON & FOREMAN, INC. who did a slide presentation on the Larry's Creek and Pine Creek Projects. He also presented a reasonable timeline for the work to be completed at Larry's Creek.

Chairman Kenneth B. Bierly asked if there were any addition or corrections to the August **1, 2023, Monthly Meeting**, there being none, a motion was made by Krista

J. Gephart, seconded by Samantha L. McIlwain to approve the August 1, 2023, Monthly Meeting Minutes. The motion passed unanimously.

Eric S. Johnston presented the **Manager's Report for August 22, 2023**. A copy of the Manager's Report is in the minute book along with other pertinent information. A motion made by Lisa L. Urbine, seconded by Krista J. Gephart that Manager's Report for August 22, 2023, be accepted as presented. The motion passed unanimously.

Committee Reports:

- **Operation** – A meeting was held on August 22, 2023, at the Authority Office. In attendance were PA Game Commission, Operation Committee, and Eric S. Johnston, Authority Manager. A full and complete report from the Committee Chair, Lisa L. Urbine, is in the minute book.
- **Personnel** – None
- **Finance** – None
- **Advisory** – None
- **Grants/Special Projects** – None

Old Business:

- **Game Commission Status** – Eric is going to talk with Representative Gene Yaw and see if there is anything that he can do.

New Business:

- **Puzzle Point Camp Extension Letter** – A motion was made by Brett S. Bowes, seconded by Krista J. Gephart to allow the Puzzle Point Camp an extension to September 30, 2023, to clear the camp. The motion passed unanimously.
- **Membrane Pilot Study** for the Larry's Creek Water Treatment Plant. A motion was made by Brett S. Bowes, seconded by Samantha L. McIlwain to approve the Membrane Pilot Study. The motion passed unanimously.

Krista J. Gephart made a motion, seconded by Brett S. Bowes, to approve the payment of the **July Monthly Bills in the amount of \$140,624.07**. The motion passed unanimously.

The board decided to cancel the September 5, 2023 regular monthly meeting.

Krista J. Gephart made a motion seconded by Samantha L. McIlwain that the meeting be adjourned at 8:40 p.m.

Barbara E. Schmouder

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