**MINUTES**

LOWER SALFORD TOWNSHIP AUTHORITY 20, August 2024

The Meeting of the Board of the Lower Salford Township Authority was held on August 20, 2024, at the Lower Salford Township office 379 Main Street, Harleysville PA. The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by Dave Scheuren, Vice-Chairman.

PERSONS IN ATTENDANCE:

1. Member: Dave Scheuren, Vice-Chairman; Jim Natale, Treasurer; Barry Bohmueller, Secretary and Dave Spause, Assistant Secretary/Treasurer.
2. Staff: Craig Forwood, Operations Manager; Connie Weimer, Business Manager; and Paul Mullin, Esq., Hamburg Rubin Mullin Maxwell & Lupin.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Upon the motion of Mr. Bohmueller, seconded by Mr. Natale, the Board voted to approve the

Minutes of the July 16, 2024, meeting by a vote of 4 in favor, 0 against.

PUBLIC FORUM:

None.

TREASURER’S REPORT:

The written report of the Treasurer, dated August 20, 2024, was distributed and is attached to the Minutes as Exhibit “A.” The activity of $259,415.05 includes Operating Expenses for $136,134.78, Capital Requisitions for $44,679.96, PLGIT Procurement Card Operating for $19,637.43, and $58,962.88 for payroll, federal and state tax transfers. There was $11,277.00

of Professional Services Escrow Releases, and $74,247.91 Construction Escrow releases for Mainland Pointe, Park Crossing, and Kay Builders. There were no Maintenance Bonds. Upon the motion of Mr. Bohmueller, seconded by Mr. Natale, the Board voted to approve the August 20, 2024, Treasurer’s Reports by a vote of 4 in favor, 0 against.

SOLICITOR’S REPORT:

Mr. Mullin reported the Deeds of Dedications from the last meeting were recorded. A meeting was held with the developer of MJ Acquisitions, the former Lederach Homes project to discuss the recent change from apartments to condominiums and the potential impact that may have on DEP’s prior approval. As a result of contacting DEP for clarification, DEP provided a written response that no new planning would be required and there would be no change in ownership of the collection system. Mr. Mullin contacted the Township’s Solicitor regarding the increase in the number of developments that are now required by DEP to have a back-up power source for grinder pumps serving multiple units. The Township may want to consider drafting additional specifications for back-up generators.

PLANT OPERATIONS REPORT:

1. The Plant Operations Report dated August 20, 2024, was distributed, and is attached to these Minutes as Exhibit “D.”
2. The monthly flow comparison reports for July 2023 and July 2024 were distributed to the Board Members and are attached to these Minutes are Exhibit “C.”
3. **Mainland Plant –** Mr. Forwood reported the orbal outlet is clogged and the Authority’s equipment is not able to clear it. McGovern Inc. will be on site for an estimate of $425 per hour with the appropriate equipment and crew. The cost estimate to complete the job is under $5,000.

 BUSINESS MANAGER’S REPORT:

1. The written Business Report dated August 20, 2024, was distributed and is attached to these Minutes as Exhibit “E”.
2. **488 Harleysville Pike Orleans Development** – Upon the motion of Mr. Bohmueller, seconded by Mr. Natale, the Board voted to execute the Professional Services Agreement and establish the TD Bank escrow account for the Orleans project located at 488 Harleysville Pike by a vote of 4 in favor, 0 against.
3. **MJ Acquisitions Lederach Project -** Upon the motion of Mr. Natale, seconded by Mr. Spause, the Board voted to execute the Professional Services Agreement and establish the TD Bank escrow account for the MJ Acquisitions project located in Lederach by a vote of 4 in favor, 0 against.
4. **CIFV VI DEV PA1M03, LLC 59 Fretz Road –** The Reservation of Capacity Agreement expires August 31, 2024. The developer has been notified, but they have not responded to date.

OLD BUSINESS:

None.

NEW BUSINESS:

There was a discussion regarding the capacity at each plant. An explanation was provided on DEP’s calculation method as required in the Chapter 94 Annual Report.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

The Board retired into executive session at 7:58 pm to discuss a personnel matter. The public meeting reconvened at 8:07 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business, upon the motion of Mr. Bohmueller, seconded by Mr. Natale, the Board voted to adjourn the meeting at 8:08 p.m. by a vote of 4 in favor, 0 against.

Respectfully submitted,

Connie Weimer