**MUNICIPAL AUTHORITY**

**Municipal Building, 27 W Market Street, Palmyra, PA**  June 6, 2019

The meeting was brought to order by Chairman Kreider at 6 p.m. It was followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

The following members were present:

Dale Kreider, Chairman Donald Plourde, Secretary

Steven Oliver, Assistant Secretary Mark Panassow, Treasurer

The following staff were present:

Chris Hannum, Engineer Tom Long, Solicitor

Scott Galbraith, Public Works Director

John Pennebaker, Vice Chairman was absent

**Public Input** - none

**Minutes** –Member Panassow moved to approve the minutes from April 4, 2019. Seconded by Member Plourde. Motion carried.

**Treasurers’ Report**

Financial Statement – Fulton Bank Funds 9A & 9B as of 05/29/19 & JBT Checking as of 05/31/19

Requisitions – Steve Oliver moved to approve Requisition #05-2019 in the amount of $41,772.50 and Requisition #06-2019 in the amount of $37,708.61. Seconded by Donald Plourde. Motion carried.

**Correspondence/Reports**

1. Board of Supervisor's Minutes, 03/12/19 & 04/09/19
2. Email from Todd Lechleitner, Brownstone, dated 02/14/19, RE: Request for 75 EDUs on the West system for the Northside Crossing subdivision.
3. Email from Todd Lechleitner, Brownstone, dated 05/15/19, RE: Revise Previous Request to 32 EDUs on the West system for the Northside Crossing subdivision.

**Engineer’s Report**

As presented by Chris Hannum dated June 6, 2019. Hannum additionally noted unusually high BOD influent loading at the Campbelltown East plant and recommended additional influent sampling at both the facility and adjacent sports complex to seek out the source of the extraordinary loading.

**Solicitor’s Report**

Attorney Long spoke on his review of the “Management Agreement” dated September 1984. Discussion ensued. The impending nationwide operator crisis was discussed as *“droves of baby boomers are getting ready to retire. It's an issue that will affect all workplaces to one degree or another, and it looks to be particularly severe for water and wastewater utilities. Nationwide, almost half of these workers will be eligible to retire within the next 10 years. It's an issue that most public officials and utilities haven't considered adequately and aren't prepared to handle. These workers are trained professionals with an enormous amount of responsibility for safeguarding the public health and the environment. We depend on them to provide clean, safe drinking water to our communities and treat our wastewater so that it can be safely released back into local waterways. Their efforts ensure that we have the amount of water we need, when we need it, nonstop around-the-clock. The pending wave of retiring operators poses two central challenges for utilities and those who oversee these community services: (1) how do we replace the workers who will leave over the next several years and (2) how do we capture the knowledge and experience that these people have? Our response to this situation will have long-standing implications for utilities and communities, large and small.”*

Public works director Galbraith and engineer Hannum were directed to locate salary surveys comparable to this area so the Authority may gauge proper compensation to the wastewater department staff.

**Old Business**

1. Mark Pannasow motioned to award 32 EDUs of sewer capacity at the West plant to Brownstone for use in the Northside Commons subdivision. Seconded by Steve Oliver. Motion carried.

**New Business** - None

**Good and Welfare**

1. Since the next scheduled Authority meeting falls on the 4th of July holiday, Donald Plourde moved to change the date of the next Authority meeting to July 11, 2019. Seconded by Steve Oliver. The need to advertise the meeting change was noted. Mr. Galbraith said he would take care of the advertisement.

**Adjournment**

There being no further business, Member Panassow moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:11 p.m. Seconded by Donald Plourde. All were in favor.

Secretary