

**DOYLESTOWN TOWNSHIP MUNICIPAL AUTHORITY**  
**Minutes of Meeting**  
**April 20, 2023**

A meeting of the Doylestown Township Municipal Authority was held at 3:30pm on Thursday, April 20, 2023 in the Township Building with the following members in attendance: Joseph Van Houten, Chairman; Kevin Green, Vice Chairman; Daniel Stairiker, Secretary and Robert Shaffer, Assistant Secretary/Treasurer. Also present at the meeting was Richard D. Magee, Jr., Municipal Authority Solicitor; Alfred S. Ciottoni, Municipal Authority Engineer and Barbara Lyons, Board of Supervisors Liaison to the Doylestown Township Municipal Authority.

## **WELCOME**

The DTMA Chairman, Mr. Joseph Van Houten, opened the meeting at 3:30 pm.

## **VISITORS/PUBLIC AND BOARD OF DIRECTORS' COMMENTS**

A Doylestown Township resident, Ms. Trish Murphy, of 107 Windsong Drive, Doylestown, PA, was welcomed to the meeting.

Mr. Rob Caroselli of 10 Squirrel Road, Doylestown, PA, was also welcomed to the meeting. Mr. Caroselli explained that his purpose in attending today's meeting was to inquire about the possibility of a survey letter regarding the installation of gas lines in the same area that was recently surveyed for water. Noting that the amount of interest in public water was very low, he wondered if more people would be interested in public water if gas could be offered along with public water. However, Mr. Van Houten explained that there is no shared cost or impact between running a gas line and installing a public water line so the conversation became a mute point.

## **ACTION ITEMS**

## **MINUTES APPROVAL**

**March 16, 2023**

Upon a motion by Mr. Green, seconded by Mr. Stairiker and unanimously approved by the Authority, the minutes of the March 16, 2023 DTMA meeting was approved as submitted.

## **REPORTS**

### **AUTHORITY ENGINEER'S REPORT**

## **CDM SMITH PFAS STUDY UPDATE – WATER SUPPLY**

Mr. Ciottoni referenced an executive summary contained in the DTMA Board packet providing background information regarding the need for a PFAS study.

Mr. Van Houten noted that a separate work session meeting is being planned for just prior to the May 2023 public meeting of the DTMA. He requested that each board member submit questions and comments to Messrs. Hass and Ciottoni prior to that work session meeting.

Mr. Ciottoni then reported that the DTMA and CDM Smith have performed an analysis on the available treatment alternatives and a comparative cost study was conducted. He explained that the study revealed that the cost of constructing and operating treatment facilities for PFAS removal is less expensive than purchasing water and that the recommendation is to commence design work on the PFAS treatment facilities.

Mr. Ciottoni reported that PennVEST has budgeted \$41 million for PFAS removal projects and that the DTMA is eligible for up to \$11 million for well treatment alternatives. He concluded his report by recommending that the DTMA should continue to work with the DEP and PennVEST and that a meeting with PennVEST should be scheduled soon.

## **AUTHORITY SOLICITOR'S REPORT**

At the request of Mr. Van Houten, Mr. Magee explained that DTMA items requiring Executive Session review included the following:

- Personnel issues
- Litigation matters
- Real estate purchases

Mr. Magee added that no decisions or official action could be entertained during Executive Sessions.

## **EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

### **DTMA PUBLIC WATER SURVEYS**

No report was issued on this topic.

### **PFAS TREATMENT FUNDING**

Mr. Van Houten stated that the DTMA is considering all avenues of funding for the upcoming PFAS project.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### **BILL'S LIST: April 2023**

Mr. Stairiker made a motion to approve the April 2023 Bills List for the General Fund Account in the amount of \$35,606.19; Developers Escrow Fund in the amount of \$5,988.00; Capital Improvement Fund in the amount of \$45,868.18; Prepaid Invoices in the amount of \$9,402.33; Prepaid ACH Credit Invoices in the amount of \$13,729.70; and Transfers to the Township in the amount of \$99,403.34. Mr. Shaffer seconded the motion and the motion was then unanimously approved by the Authority.

### **TREASURER'S REPORT: April, 2023**

Mr. Shaffer made a motion approving acceptance of the April 20, 2023 Treasurer's Report as presented. Mr. Stairiker seconded the motion and the motion was unanimously approved by the Authority.

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

The next **DTMA Board of Directors Meeting** is scheduled for May 18, 2023 at 3:30 pm.

**National Drinking Water Week** is scheduled for May 17 through May 23.

**PMAA Management Conference** is scheduled for Wednesday, April 26 in Hershey, PA.

**2023 PA AWWA Annual Conference** is scheduled for May 9 through May 11 in the Poconos.

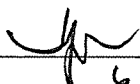
## **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

The Executive Session posted in the April DTMA agenda was canceled with plans to move the item to the general DTMA May meeting agenda.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

With no further business to come before the Authority, the meeting was adjourned at 4:21 pm.

Respectfully submitted,  
Keith Hass  
Executive Director

  
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