

DEER CREEK DRAINAGE BASIN AUTHORITY

**Workshop Meeting
March 11, 2015**

The Workshop Meeting was held Wednesday, March 11, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. at the Authority office located at 945 Little Deer Creek Road, Russellton, PA.

Call Meeting to Order and Roll Call

Mrs. Pastura called the meeting to order and called the roll. Board members present: Mr. Trocki, Mr. Hammerman, Mr. Simonetti, Mrs. Pastura, Mr. Sutter, Mrs. Bieniek, Mrs. Lesic, Mrs. Biery and Mr. Drischler. Also present: Mr. Schmitt, Mr. Brown and Mr. Jenkins.

Flag Salute

The Board rose and recited the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Treasurers Report

Mrs. Bieniek presented the Treasurer's Report from the February Regular Meeting that was cancelled due to inclement weather. The following tap and assessment payments have been received since the January regular meeting.

Beth's Barricades (Nury)	Tap Fee - 80 Mountain View Road	2,000.00
Everett Settlement	Tap Fee - 154-156 Millerstown - Culmerville Road	5,800.00
Vincent Rusak	Deferred Assessment Payment	30.00

Of these amounts \$1,300.00 will be transferred to the Capital Improvement Fund and \$700.00 will be transferred to the Preventative Maintenance Fund.

MOTION was made by Mr. Trocki and seconded by Mr. Drischler to approve the Treasurer's Report and paid bills for the month of January. Motion carried unanimously.

Solicitor's Report

West Deer Senior Citizen's Center

Mr. Brown requested an Executive Session be convened to discuss right-of-way issues on this project.

MOTION was made by Mrs. Lesic and seconded by Mrs. Biery to move the meeting into Executive Session at 7:03 p.m. to discuss legal matters relative to the West Deer Senior Citizens Center. Motion carried unanimously.

Mrs. Pastura reconvened the meeting at 7:35 p.m. and said the Executive Session concerned right-of-way and condemnation issues for the project.

Engineer's Report

West Deer Township Senior Citizen's Center

Mr. Schmitt reviewed the history of this project and the reasons for the additional costs. The Authority will meet with representatives from the Township regarding this project.

MOTION was made by Mr. Drischler and seconded by Mrs. Lesic to authorize Gibson-Thomas Engineering to pursue a 60 day time extension for Petrakis Contracting for this project. Motion carried unanimously.

Manager's Report

Sewer Line Stabilization Project

Mr. Jenkins reported permit from the Conservation District for the sewer line stabilization project in Indianola restricts activity in the stream from March 1st to June 15th. Petrakis Contracting has completed the project.

Chairperson's Report

Crown Castle Lease Proposal

Mr. Simonetti said he would like to state his objections to the lease proposal. These items include lower Authority property value. The Authority can't build around the property. The property in question is prime property for the future of housing and businesses and a tax base for the Township. Across the street from this property is property that has the potential to become a business park. This property is public and too many homes are located near this property that could be affected by the tower. It is like giving the property away and the cell tower people are profiting by it for years to come. You may as well say this property will be condemned if this cell tower project is passed. I advise my colleagues to vote "no" on this project. This tower may also affect adjoining properties for future development. We, the people on his board, are giving time and energy to do the right thing for the communities we serve. I'm not here to manipulate anyone. We are all appointed to run this sewage Authority to fulfill our time and energy the best we can be. So lets not make this mistake and regret it later with the permission to construct this cell tower. This sewer Authority is not in a crisis. We don't have to lie down and accept any proposal or agreements. Let's not get tired of doing what's good.

MOTION was made by Mr. Drischler and seconded by Mrs. Biery to take a roll call vote authorizing further discussions with Crown Castle in relation to the tower.

Roll call vote: Mrs. Lesic yes, Mr. Simonetti no, Mr. Drischler yes, Mr. Hammerman yes, Mrs. Pastura yes, Mrs. Biery yes, Mr. Trocki no, Mrs. Bieniek no and Mr. Sutter no.

Motion approved 5 yes votes, 4 no votes.

Old Business

None.

New Business

None.

Adjournment

MOTION was made by Mr. Drischler and seconded by Mrs. Lesic to adjourn the meeting at 8:05 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted:

Read and approved

7/16/15

Susan M. Pasturo

