

DEER CREEK DRAINAGE BASIN AUTHORITY

Regular Meeting

August 15, 2022

The Regular Meeting of the Deer Creek Drainage Basin Authority was held at 7:00 p.m. at the Authority office located at 945 Little Deer Creek Road, Russellton, Pennsylvania and via Zoom.

Call Meeting to Order

Mr. Higgins called the meeting to order and asked Mrs. Biery to call the roll. Board members present: Mr. Plesh, Mrs. DeLuca, Mr. Simonetti, Mr. Drischler, Mrs. Krally, Mrs. Pastura, Mr. Parks, and Mr. Higgins. Also present: Mr. Schmitt, Mr. Sprung, Mr. Brown, and Mrs. Biery and Mr. Vancheri.

Flag Salute

The Board rose and recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

Reading and Approval of Minutes

Mr. Higgins asked the Board to review the minutes for the Regular Meeting on July 18, 2022.

MOTION was made by Mrs. Pastura and seconded by Mr. Plesh to approve the minutes of the July 18, 2022 Regular Meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

Accountant's Report

Mr. Vancheri presented the Operating Accounts Receipts and Expenses and Funds Available and Debt Obligations reports for July 2022.

Treasurer's Report

The following Tap Fees and Assessment payments were received since the last Regular Meeting:

Frank Restelli	90 E Union Rd	Tap	\$2,000.00
Richard Goeller	3422 Saxonburg Blvd	Tap	2,400.00
Joseph & Gary Fosnaught	20 Hemlock St	Assessment	50.00
PennTex Ventures LLC	201 Starr Rd (Russellton Dollar General)	Tap	<u>2,000.00</u>
			\$6,450.00

Of these amounts, \$4,210.00 will be transferred to the Capital Improvement Fund and \$2,240.00 will be transferred to the Preventive Maintenance Fund.

MOTION was made by Mr. Drischler and seconded by Mrs. Pastura to approve the Treasurer's report and the paid bills for the month of July 2022. Motion carried unanimously.

Solicitor's Report

Executive Session

MOTION was made by Mr. Simonetti and seconded by Mr. Drischler to move the meeting into Executive Session at 7:05 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

The meeting was reconvened at 7:27 p.m. where the Board discussed pending legal issues.

MOTION was made by Mr. Plesh and seconded by Mr. Drischler to approve the Thomas Evans & Acquisitions & Mergers, Inc. and DCDBA Settlement. Motion carried unanimously.

Engineer's Report

Project Updates

Mr. Schmitt, since he was not present at the August meeting when questions were asked about the paving specifications, provided additional information to the Board concerning the paving bid specifications. He distributed a copy of the original paving specifications from September 1984. He pointed out that, at that time, 6 inches of stone base, 2 inches of binder and an inch and a half of ID-2A, which is why, 38 years later there are only a few soft spots. Rather than tear out the stone base, binder and ID-2A, the specification was to only replace the wear course. The reason the wear course is not greater than an inch is because of the curb height. He feels that structurally, the parking lot is in very good condition. He said the paving bid will be let again with the same specifications.

Mr. Sprung reported the majority Red Zone Robotics' CCTV work had been completed. Of the 72,000 feet of pipe to be recorded, 50,000 feet is complete. However, 22,000 feet of pipe could not be videoed for various reasons, roots, protruding taps, debris in the line, etc. Authority personnel will work to clear these areas and check manholes that could not be accessed. These items will be added to the list that the Authority's Foreman has been given for completion by Authority personnel. Red Zone will return in the fall to complete the inspections. Some footage of the camera work will be available for viewing in September. A list of defects and cost estimate for repairs will be forthcoming.

Mr. Sprung reported the Advanced Rehabilitation Technology Manhole lining project should be completed this week. Six or seven manholes could not be accessed even with off road equipment. Chuck DeBaldo has a list of defective manholes that will be added to replace the inaccessible manholes. Attempts will be made to inspect the hard-to-reach manholes.

Mr. Schmitt continued with updates on continuing projects. The Hampshire Estate project is still in the permitting stage, the contractor is still waiting on equipment for the Rich Hill Pump Station Diminutor project and there has been conversation with the Allegheny County Conservation District for the Force Main Project. This project may be put on hold, depending on the cost of the other projects underway.

Mrs. Pastura asked the status of the relocation of the sewer line by Independence Excavating and PennDOT. Mr. Schmitt reported that he has not yet heard back from PennDOT.

Resolution 2022-4 was presented to the Board for adoption.

MOTION was made by Mr. Drischler and seconded by Mrs. Pastura to approve Resolution 2022-4 formally requesting CDBG Funds from Allegheny County Economic Development for DCDBA 4/5 CCTV Defect Repairs Project. Motion carried unanimously.

RESOLUTION 2022-4

RESOLUTION OF DEER CREEK DRAINAGE BASIN AUTHORITY
AUTHORIZING THE FILING OF AN APPLICATION FOR CDBG
FUNDS WITH ALLEGHENY COUNTY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT,
DESIGNATING AN OFFICIAL TO PERFORM REQUIRED DUTIES,
AND PROVIDING ASSURANCES FOR LOCAL MATCHING FUNDS.

WHEREAS, Deer Creek Drainage Basin Authority, desires to obtain funds from Allegheny County Economic Development in the amount of \$150,000 under the Federal Housing and Community Development Act of 1970, as amended;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that Deer Creek Drainage Basin Authority hereby formally requests CDBG funds from Allegheny County Economic Development for the Deer Creek Drainage Basin Authority 4/5 CCTV Defect Repairs Project.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Deer Creek Drainage Basin Authority does hereby designate Cullin Higgins, Chairperson of Deer Creek Drainage Basin Authority (the "Authorized Official") as the official to file all applications, documents and forms between the Deer Creek Drainage Basin Authority and Allegheny County Economic Development.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Deer Creek Drainage Basin Authority assures, where applicable, the provision of the full local share of the project costs.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Deer Creek Drainage Basin Authority assures, that the project will be awarded or under construction within 180 days after contractual execution.

RESOLVED and ENACTED this 15th day of August 2022.

Manager's Report

Project Updates

Mrs. Biery reported that she, Mr. Sprung and Mr. DeBaldo are continuing work on building the structure for the Brightly/Dude Solutions Asset Essentials asset management software with Authority personnel coming in soon for training.

Mrs. Biery reported the new billing program is now in house on the Authority's computers and testing has begun.

Mrs. Biery presented the West Deer Dog Shelter solicitation letter for donations. The board declined the Authority's donation in favor of personal board members donations.

Chairperson's Report

Mr. Higgins had nothing to report.

Old Business

None.

New Business

None.

Adjournment

MOTION was made by Mrs. Pastura and seconded by Mr. Drischler to adjourn the meeting at 7:45 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted:

Read and Approved:

9-19-22

