

**WHITEMARSH TOWNSHIP AUTHORITY  
MINUTES OF THE MEETING  
FEBRUARY 21, 2024**

**CALL TO ORDER**

The Meeting of the Board of the Whitemarsh Township Authority of February 21, 2024, was called to order by Chairman Timothy Ferris at 6:30 p.m. and held in person at the Whitemarsh Township Authority office located at 2015 Joshua Road, Lafayette Hill, Pennsylvania 19444.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Chairman Ferris led the Board and audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**IN ATTENDANCE:**

*Board Members:*

Timothy Ferris – Chairman  
Jonathan Riesberg – Vice Chairman (Excused Absence)  
Jeannette Quirus – Secretary  
Jori Broad – Treasurer  
Gene Swider – Assistant Secretary/Treasurer (Excused Absence)

*Also in Attendance:*

Michael Clarke, Esquire – Rudolph Clarke, LLC  
Allen Mason, P.E. – Carroll Engineering Corp.  
Brent Wagner – Executive Director  
Thomas Bonjo – Operations Manager  
Laurie Hagey – Director of Finance

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

None.

**APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES**

A **Motion** was made by Mr. Ferris and seconded by Ms. Broad to approve the Minutes of the January 17, 2024 meeting of the Board. The motion unanimously carried.

**MANAGER'S REPORT**

**Plant Operations** - Mr. Wagner reported the facility was in compliance with all parameters during the month of January, 2024. He also reported staff has begun using the leased jet truck and it is working well.

**Employment Agreement** – Mr. Wagner requested a Motion to approve the Public Works Employees Association Agreement, as presented, for a period of four years with terms agreed upon by both the employees and management.

**A Motion** was made by Ms. Broad, seconded by Ms. Quirus, to approve the four-year Public Works Employees Association Agreement, as presented by Mr. Wagner. The motion unanimously carried.

**Approve Contract for Pump Station Call-Out System** - Mr. Wagner reported both he and Mr. Bonjo have been testing a new system to handle emergency call-out notifications for the pump stations. The new system is working well and has the potential to save the Authority approximately \$45,000 annually by moving all of the pump stations to this system. Mr. Wagner is asking for approval to contract for five-years with this vendor, Accu-Dose, upon approval of the contract by the Authority's Solicitor.

**A Motion** was made by Mr. Ferris, seconded by Ms. Quirus, to approve the contract for emergency call-out services for the Authority's pump stations with Accu-Dose, subject to review and approval by the Authority's Solicitor, which unanimously carried.

**Authorization to Sell Authority's Jet Truck** – The Executive Director asked for a motion to approve the advertising and sale of the jet truck. The minimum list price will be \$5,000.

**A Motion** to Approve the advertising and sale of the Authority's jet truck, with a minimum list price of \$5,000 was made by Ms. Quirus and seconded by Mr. Ferris. The motion unanimously carried.

### **ENGINEER'S REPORT**

**Sludge Dewatering Project** – Mr. Mason reported the last remaining item regarding an electrical panel for the Sludge Dewatering Project has been completed.

**Harts Lane** – Mr. Mason reported Whitemarsh Township has approved a Resolution at their February 8<sup>th</sup> meeting for the Harts Lane project. This Resolution was needed to send the complete package to PA DEP for their review. The PA DEP has six months to review and respond.

### **SOLICITOR'S REPORT**

**Approve Contract for Professional Services for 5180 Militia Hill Road** – Mr. Clarke requested approval of a Contract for Professional Services for a sewer project located at 5180 Militia Hill Road, Plymouth Meeting. The Authority has received a payment of \$5,000 from the home owner for this project.

**A Motion** was made by Mr. Ferris, seconded by Ms. Quirus, to approve the Contract for Professional Services with 5180 Militia Hill Road, Plymouth Meeting, for a sewer project. The motion unanimously carried.

### **FINANCIAL REPORT**

Ms. Hagey presented the financial statement for January 2024 and stated the monthly expenditures for approval tonight total \$487,216.86.

**Approval of Monthly Expenditures** – A Motion was made by Mr. Ferris, seconded by Ms. Broad, to pay the expenditures as presented in the amount of \$487,216.86, unanimously carried.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 7:00 p.m.