



**Luzerne County Flood Protection Authority**  
1989 Wyoming Avenue  
Forty Fort, PA 18704

**Minutes**  
**October 18, 2022 Regular Session**

**Call to Order**

On October 18, 2022 at 1:03 P.M., the Luzerne County Flood Protection Authority Board convened their regular monthly meeting at the Luzerne County Flood Protection Authority's new administrative offices, 1989 Wyoming Avenue, Forty Fort. It was noted that all meetings are electronically recorded.

Mr. Yannuzzi, Chairman, called to order the October 18, 2022 meeting.

**Pledge of Allegiance and Moment of Silence**

**Present**

Mr. Dominic Yannuzzi, P.E., Chairman  
Mr. William Hardwick  
Mr. Richard Adams  
Mr. Gordon Dussinger- *Absent – excused with Illness*  
Mr. John Maday

**Also Present**

Christopher J. Belleman, PE, Executive Director  
Laura Holbrook, Mitigation & Outreach Specialist  
Deana Prochaska, Administrative Assistant (Recording Secretary)  
Amy Grevera, CPA, LCFPA Accountant  
Jeffrey Rockman, Esq., LCFPA Solicitor  
Eric Mark, Reporter, Citizens Voice

**Public Input**

**None.**

**Regular Meeting**

**Motion was made to ratify the amended minutes of the Authority meeting held on September 20, 2022, adding Executive Session notice.**

Motion by: Mr. Hardwick

Second by: Mr. Yannuzzi

Motion passed by a vote of 4-0. "AYES" – YANNUZZI, HARDWICK, ADAMS, MADAY.

**LCFPA Activities/Projects**

- A. Staff Activities/Project
- B. Board Activities/Project

### **Bills and Communications**

**Motion was made to approve the payment of the bills as presented.**

Motion by: Mr. Hardwick

Second by: Mr. Adams

Motion passed by a vote of 4-0. "AYES" – YANNUZZI, HARDWICK, ADAMS, MADAY.

### **Report of the Treasurer**

**Motion was made to submit the report of the Treasurer into the record as stated.**

Motion by: Mr. Yannuzzi

Second by: Mr. Maday

Motion passed by a vote of 4-0. "AYES" – YANNUZZI, HARDWICK, ADAMS, MADAY.

### **New Business**

**2022 Levee Fee Collections Update.**

**2009-2021 Delinquent Levee Fee Collections Update.**

**Motion was made to request approval for the "Collective Bargaining Agreement between AFSCME District Council 87 and Luzerne County Flood Protection Authority January 1, 2023 to December 31, 2027".**

**On the question:**

**Mr. Hardwick:** Since the term will be from January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2023, to December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2027; Chris emailed around what I believe is a finished copy?

**Mr. Belleman:** Yes, I transmitted the finished copy to the Board members.

**Mr. Hardwick:** I would love to tell everyone that I had time to look at it and go through it to make sure I thought everything was covered and is done, but I did not. Again, since the effective date is not till January 1<sup>st</sup>, I am wondering if we should take an opportunity to table the vote just to make sure everybody has a chance to look through the agreement and know that the final version is exactly what everybody wants, both sides. Again, I saw it for the first time on Thursday.

**Mr. Adams:** I wouldn't be opposed to a month delay.

**Mr. Hardwick:** I would just like to look over the final version and we should probably get together as a group in executive session, just to make sure we're still all in agreement.

**Motion was made to table the "Collective Bargaining Agreement between AFSCME District Council 87 and Luzerne County Flood Protection Authority January 1, 2023 to December 31, 2027" until the November 15, 2022 Board Meeting.**

Motion by: Mr. Hardwick

Second by: Mr. Adams

Motion passed by a Roll-Call vote of 4-0. "AYES"- YANNUZZI, HARDWICK, ADAMS, MADAY.

**Motion was made to table the “Agreement between the Department of the Army and Luzerne County Flood Protection Authority for the Provision of Certain Technical Assistance” for an Interior Drainage Study of the protected areas located behind the Kingston to Exeter levee reach. The cost of this interior drainage re-evaluation is projected to be \$190,000 and will be cost shared 50/50 between the Federal Government and the Authority. The Authority cost share is \$95,000. It is estimated that this effort will require approximately 12 months before receipt of the project deliverables.**

Motion by: Mr. Yannuzzi

Second by: Mr. Hardwick

Motion passed by a vote of 4-0. “AYES”- YANNUZZI, HARDWICK, ADAMS, MADAY.

**Board plans to meet for an Executive Session prior to November’s regular meeting, to discuss the proposed Collective Bargaining Agreement between AFSCME District Council 87 and the Authority.**

**Next Regular Meeting**

November 15, 2022 at 1:00p.m.

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**Adjourn**

**Motion was made to adjourn the October 18, 2022 meeting of the Luzerne County Flood Protection Authority Board.**

Motion by: Mr. Adams

Second by: Mr. Hardwick

Motion passed by a vote of 4-0. “AYES” – YANNUZZI, HARDWICK, ADAMS, MADAY.

Meeting adjourned at 1:45 P.M.

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Respectfully submitted,



Deana Prochaska  
Recording Secretary