

Luzerne County Flood Protection Authority 1989 Wyoming Avenue

Forty Fort, PA 18704

Minutes May 16, 2023 Regular Session

Call to Order

On May 16, 2023, at 1:00 P.M., the Luzerne County Flood Protection Authority Board convened their regular monthly meeting at the Luzerne County Flood Protection Authority Administrative Offices, 1989 Wyoming Ave, Forty Fort. It was noted that all meetings are electronically recorded.

Mr. Yannuzzi, Chairman, called to order the May 16, 2023, meeting.

Pledge of Allegiance and Moment of Silence

Present

Mr. Dominic Yannuzzi, P.E., Chairman

Mr. William Hardwick

Mr. Jay Delaney

Mr. Gordon Dussinger

Mr. John Maday

Also Present

Christopher Belleman, P.E., Executive Director
Jeff Rockman, Esq., Slusser Law Firm, LCFPA Solicitor
Amy Grevera, CPA, Grevera and Associates, LCFPA Accountant
Laura Holbrook, Mitigation & Outreach Specialist
Deana Prochaska, Administrative Assistant (Recording Secretary)

Public Input

None.

Regular Meeting

Motion was made to ratify the minutes of the Authority meeting held on April 18, 2023.

Motion by: Mr. Maday

Second by: Mr. Dussinger

Motion passed by a vote of 5-0. "AYES" – YANNUZZI, HARDWICK, DELANEY, DUSSINGER, MADAY.

LCFPA Activities/Projects

A. Staff Activities/Project

B. Board Activities/Project

Bills and Communications

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

Motion by: Mr. Yannuzzi Second by: Mr. Hardwick

Motion passed by a vote of 5-0. "AYES" - YANNUZZI, HARDWICK, DELANEY, DUSSINGER, MADAY.

Report of the Treasurer

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

Motion by: Mr. Maday Second by: Mr. Hardwick

Motion passed by a vote of 5-0. "AYES" - YANNUZZI, HARDWICK, DELANEY, DUSSINGER, MADAY.

New Business

2023 Levee Fee Collections Update.

Motion was made to approve a new "Regional Stormwater Management Partnership Agreement" with the Wyoming Valley Sanitary Authority (WVSA), 1000 Wilkes-Barre Street, Hanover Township, PA. WVSA is currently involved with the design of the "Abrahams Creek Stream Restoration Project". The agreement will allow the LCFPA to include its stormwater bio-retention BMP into WVSAs bid documents for the Abrahams Creek Stream Restoration Project to obtain cost savings vs bidding out the BMP construction separately.

On the question:

Mr. Hardwick: Jeff, would it make sense to have separate agreements for each of these spots, or addendums to an original agreement that already exists?

Mr. Rockman: Cooperation you mean?

Mr. Hardwick: Or do we need to do them separately?Mr. Rockman: I would prefer to do them separately.

Mr. Hardwick: OK, that's all I wanted to know.

Motion by: Mr. Yannuzzi Second by: Mr. Maday

Motion passed by a vote of 5-0. "AYES" - YANNUZZI, HARDWICK, DELANEY, DUSSINGER, MADAY.

Motion was made to approve an agreement with Borton Lawson, 613 Baltimore Drive, Wilkes-Barre PA to provide professional design services on the LCFPAs "Command Center Stormwater Bio-retention Basin BMP" in the amount \$32,500.00. This project was identified for reimbursement under our ARPA grant award.

Motion by: Mr. Yannuzzi Second by: Mr. Dussinger

Motion passed by a Roll Call Vote of 5-0 "YES" – YANNUZZI, HARDWICK, DELANEY, DUSSINGER,

MADAY.

Motion was made to approve the purchase of an RC Mowers TK-60XP remote operated robotic slope mower from W.F. Welliver & Son Inc., 20 White Hall Road, Bloomsburg PA in the amount of \$57,000 with free delivery. The purchase is under the HGAC procurement program (similar to COSTARS) and was identified for reimbursement under our 2022 LSA (Gaming Fund) grant award.

Motion by: Mr. Maday Second by: Mr. Hardwick

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Motion passed by a vote of 5-0. "AYES" - YANNUZZI, HARDWICK, DELANEY, DUSSINGER, MADAY.

Motion was made to amend and approve the purchase of a 2024 Kenworth T480 Cab and Chassis from Kenworth of Pennsylvania, 109 Keystone Industrial Park, Dunmore, PA in the amount of \$156,113.00 plus a \$10,000.00 increase for a stainless-steel dump body. This truck will require a CDL license and after further discussion the LCFPA will not need a snowplow attached. The purchase is under the COSTARS procurement program and was identified for reimbursement under our ARPA grant award.

On the question:

Mr. Hardwick: So, this will reduce or eliminate Falzone having to take closure trailers over to Market Street in the event of high water?

Mr. Belleman: It gives us another option, remember we have contracts for emergency response and if for some reason they couldn't haul the trailers in the time that we wanted to, we could use our truck

Mr. Yannuzzi: We could also pull the wall for a test or training, right?

Mr. Belleman: Absolutely.

Motion by: Mr. Hardwick Second by: Mr. Yannuzzi

Motion passed by a vote of 5-0. "AYES" - YANNUZZI, HARDWICK, DELANEY, DUSSINGER, MADAY.

Next Regular Meeting

June 20, 2023 at 1:00p.m. 1989 Wyoming Ave Forty Fort, PA 18704

Adjourn

Motion was made to adjourn the May 16, 2023 meeting of the Luzerne County Flood Protection Authority Board.

Motion by: Mr. Maday Second by: Mr. Dussinger

Motion passed by a vote of 5-0. "AYES" - YANNUZZI, HARDWICK, DELANEY, DUSSINGER, MADAY.

Board met for an executive session following the May 16, 2023 regular meeting to discuss contracts and pending litigation.

Meeting adjourned at 1:47 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Deana Prochaska Recording Secretary