# FRANKLIN TOWNSHIP MUNICIPAL AUTHORITY BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING January 7, 2025

Present: Board Members- Dawn Williams, Willie Heckman, Robert Martin, Andy Hansen, Darrin Flake, Robert Martin. Secretary/Treasurer-Debra Hahn, Plant Operator Jeremy Davis

The meeting held at the Franklin Township Municipal Building was called to order by acting Chairman Hansen at 7:00 p.m.

### **Reorganizational Meeting**

Review of Board members terms:

Dawn Williams – Expires 12/31/28 Robert Martin- Expired 12/31/24 Andy Hanson – Expires 12/31/25 Willie Heckman – Expires 12/31/26 Darrin Flake – Expires 12/31/27

**Motion** by Heckman, seconded by Flake, to re-appoint Robert Martin for another 5 year term to expire 12/31/29. **Motion** unanimously approved.

#### Motions to appoint Officers for 2025:

Chairman – Andy Hansen. Motion by Williams, seconded by Flake Vice Chairman – Willie Heckman. Motion by Dawn seconded by Williams Secretary/Treasurer – Debra Hahn. Motion by Heckman seconded by Hansen Open Records Officer – Darrin Flake. Motion by Heckman seconded by Hansen Plant Operator – Jeremy Davis. Motion by Martin seconded by Flake Assistant Plant Operator – Zach Jumper. Motion by Martin seconded by Flake All Motions unanimously approved.

## Appointed Positions:

**Motion** by Williams, seconded by Heckman to approve the following appointed positions for 2025. **Motion** unanimously approved.

Depository – ACNB Investment - PLGIT Excavators/Plumbers – C.E. Williams Backup Plumber – Frantz Plumbing Testing Agent – Negley's Water Solicitor – Adam Boyer – Barley Snyder Accountant – Musselman & Creager Chemical Supplier – Coyne Chemicals Engineer – Keller Engineering

## Wages-

**Motion** by Flake, seconded by Heckman to increase wages for Debra Hahn, Jeremy Davis and Zach Jumper by 3.4%. **Motion** unanimously approved.

**Motion** by Heckman, seconded by Martin for 2025 monthly meeting dates to be held first Tuesday of each month. **Motion** unanimously approved.

**Motion** by Flake, seconded by Martin to approve the December 3, 2024 Minutes. **Motion** unanimously approved.

**Motion** by Martin, seconded by Heckman to approve January 7, 2025 Bill List #1. **Motion** unanimously approved.

**Motion** by Flake, seconded by Martin to approve January 7, 2025 General Account Report. **Motion** unanimously approved.

Secretary Hahn reported that second notices were sent to water customers who did not respond to the initial Lead Inventory request for their water service line.

Plant Operator Davis reported past quarter water usage was consistent. He also reported that someone ran off the road way over the new meter pit recently installed at the Post Office on High Street. He advised the meter reading device was damaged and needed to be replaced. He had contacted LB Water for a replacement and was advised the devices were on back order. He also stated he stopped and talked to the post office employee to ask if they had any information on who ran off the roadway and they advised they did not.

Davis reported he was able to purchase two new meter pits and setters from LB water and had parts on hand for another pit. He contacted CE Williams to make arrangements to have three meter pits installed. Weather permitting the installations would be done within the next three weeks at the following Old Route 30 locations: 810, 1075, 1134.

Hansen advised he contacted Solicitor Boyer for direction on whether or not projects done with grant monies needed to be put out for bid. Boyer requested a copy of the grant before he could offer advice. It was noted that on January 6 the grant foundation had contacted both Hansen and Davis with preliminary emailed notice that the commitment letter and contract would be forthcoming. Once on hand, Hansen will forward to Boyer for review. Davis suggested that with the rising costs of chemicals and supplies for the water operation, the Board consider raising water rates. Hansen advised he would contact Boyer for direction in determining how much rates could be raised.

Members reviewed the 2025 Budget. Motion by Flake, seconded by Heckman to approve the 2025 Budget. Motion unanimously approved. Copy of Budget attached to these official Minutes.

Discussion was held on investing more funds with PLIGIT. Further discussion to be held at the February Board meeting.

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 8:30p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Debra Hahn Secretary