FRANKLIN TOWNSHIP MUNICIPAL AUTHORITY BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING August 1, 2023

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

Guest present: Arend Visher

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

Approval of Monthly Reports:

Motion by Heckman seconded by Williams to approve July 11, 2023 Minutes. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Flake seconded by Martin to approve August 1, 2023 Bill List. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Flake, seconded by Williams to approve August 1, 2023 General Account Report. Motion carried unanimously.

Plant Operator Davis reported that school pumphouse repairs had been completed. Expansion tank replaced, control valve leaks repaired and restructuring of the fire line to the fire hydrant. Williams asked if the water to the hydrant was treated. Davis advised it was treated. He stated there was not a way to route untreated water to the hydrant.

Secretary Hahn reported the 2022 Annual Audit was complete and legal ad published in the Gettysburg Times. She also reported that the property settlement at 951 Old Route 30 had been held July 13. All past due balance paid in full and water service restored to the property for the new owners.

Williams questioned Davis whether or not there was a way to 'lock' water service turn off to prevent someone from turning water back on, when water service was disconnected. Davis advised there was a way to lock and stated going forward, locks would need to be purchased to prevent water being turned back on by anyone other than the Authority.

Chairman Hansen reported that he and Board member Heckman had visited ACNB, Franklin Township office in June to investigate the contents of the Authority's safety deposit box. The box was found to be empty. Bank was notified to close box account.

Hansen reported that he had contacted Dave Cunningham of Keller-Engineers concerning assistance in applying for grant monies. Hansen advised Cunningham there were two projects the Authority was looking for financial assistance. Meter pit installations throughout the water system and DEP required security measures at both plants, fencing and locked ladder to prevent unauthorized access to Rock Top water tower. Cunningham suggested the best source of funding would be for upcoming Local Share account program offered by Department of Community Affairs (DCEP). Applications being accepted beginning Sept 1 2023 to November 30, 2023. Projects were 100% grant eligible up to \$1,000,000. Cunningham stated they could handle the full application process for a flat rate of \$1000. If application was successful, another \$1000 upon award. **Motion** by Williams, seconded by Heckman to proceed using Keller Engineers to help with application assistance filing for DCEP grant money. Projects to include, installation of water pits, and security measures at both water plants, per DEP specifications. **Motion** carried unanimously.

Davis advised he would work on finding out how many pits are needed and get a cost estimate from CE Wiliams on pit installations. Will also work on quotes for security items at both plants.

Flake advised he had received communication from Matt Conlin, from PLGIT on what was needed for the Authority to apply for PLGIT membership for fund investing. Secretary Hahn advised there was some misunderstanding as to whether or not the Authority needed to pass a Resolution to accompany the application. She stated that Solicitor Boyer had advised in June, the Authority did not need to pass a resolution, although Conlin's emailed stated one was needed. Hahn advised she would check with Solicitor Boyer for guidance. Further discussion was tabled until September meeting, pending Boyer's advice.

There being no further business to discuss the meeting was adjourned at 7:40 pm