

The regular meeting of the Pennsville Sewerage Authority was held virtually and called to order by Chairman Bernard Sennstrom, II, at 6:30 p.m. on Thursday, April 8, 2021. Chairman Sennstrom read the Open Public Meetings Act Statement.

Authority members present in addition to Chairman Bernard Sennstrom, II, were Mary Lou Chollis, Scott Hourigan, William Masten, and Robert McDade. Other attendees included Alternate Member John Smith, Alternate Member Dan Neu, ETS Project Manager Tom Gant, Authority Solicitor Walter Ray, Authority Engineer David Palgutta, and Authority Clerk Kimberly Lockwood.

Chairman Sennstrom asked the Board if they had reviewed the monthly budget report.

Resolution No. 21-41-SA APPROVING PAYMENT OF BILLS PROPERLY AUDITED

Member McDade moved for adoption of Resolution No. 21-41-SA and Member Chollis seconded. Roll call vote as follows: Chollis – yes; Hourigan – yes; Masten – yes; McDade – yes; Sennstrom – yes. Resolution No. 21-41-SA is approved.

Resolution No. 21-42-SA APPROVING MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE PENNSVILLE SEWERAGE AUTHORITY WHICH TOOK PLACE ON MARCH 11, 2021

Member McDade moved for adoption of Resolution No. 21-42-SA and Member Chollis seconded. Roll call vote as follows: Chollis – yes; Hourigan – yes; Masten – yes; McDade – yes; Sennstrom – yes. Resolution No. 21-42-SA is approved.

Resolution No. 21-43-SA APPROVING MINUTES OF AN EXECUTIVE SESSION OF THE PENNSVILLE SEWERAGE AUTHORITY WHICH TOOK PLACE ON MARCH 11, 2021

Member McDade moved for adoption of Resolution No. 21-43-SA and Member Chollis seconded. Roll call vote as follows: Chollis – yes; Hourigan – yes; Masten – yes; McDade – yes; Sennstrom – yes. Resolution No. 21-43-SA is approved.

Resolution No. 21-44-SA AUTHORIZING A TRANSFER OF FUNDS

Member McDade moved for adoption of Resolution No. 21-44-SA and Member Chollis seconded. Roll call vote as follows: Chollis – yes; Hourigan – yes; Masten – yes; McDade – yes; Sennstrom – yes. Resolution No. 21-44-SA is approved.

Resolution No. 21-45-SA AUTHORIZING THE AUTHORITY CHAIRMAN TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH J.F. WILSON, INC. FOR 2021 LAWN MAINTENANCE SERVICES AT THE AUTHORITY'S 15 PUMPING STATIONS AND A 126' X 62' LOT ON FAIRVIEW AVE IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$8,125.00

Member McDade moved for adoption of Resolution No. 21-45-SA and Member Chollis seconded. Roll call vote as follows: Chollis – yes; Hourigan – yes; Masten – yes; McDade – yes; Sennstrom – yes. Resolution No. 21-45-SA is approved.

Resolution No. 21-46-SA AUTHORIZING THE AUTHORITY CHAIRMAN TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH SHERWOOD LOGAN AND ASSOCIATES, 370 MIDDLETOWN BLVD., SUITE 500, LANGHORNE, PA 19047, FOR THE PURCHASE OF ONE (1) 4-INCH PENN VALLEY DOUBLE DISK PUMP MODEL 4DDSX30CNU-MK3 WITH 4-INCH ASA/ANSI 150# FLANGED SUCTION AND DISCHARGED CONNECTIONS AND A 5 HP 1160 RPM230-460/3/60 SEVERE DUTY INVERTER READY MOTOR AT A COST NOT TO EXCEED \$18,582.00

Member McDade moved for adoption of Resolution No. 21-46-SA and Member Chollis seconded. Roll call vote as follows: Chollis – yes; Hourigan – yes; Masten – yes; McDade – yes; Sennstrom – yes. Resolution No. 21-46-SA is approved.

Next on the agenda is the Engineer’s Report. Engineer Palgutta reported:

- Pumping Station Number 3 Status. Contractor has moved timeline from May to April. Will do test pits next week, and materials will be onsite the following week to begin drilling. Will allow for DOT permit. Anticipates 2 or 2.5 weeks of drilling. Will update schedule after materials come in.
- RBC plans and specs have been uploaded to DEP. Have not heard back regarding any environmental planning document submissions.
- Follow up with DEP on Tufts Road. Asked to change something on the GIS map, will make the change and get the information to them.

Next is ETS Project Manager Tom Gant’s report. Tom Gant reported:

- Located several manholes in need of rehabilitating. This would eliminate the significant groundwater infiltration. Estimate from Standard Pipe came out to \$74,625.00. Looking to schedule next week.
- Several repairs were made to pump station number 3 forcemain. 2 repairs on Saturday, and 1 on Tuesday.
- Gorman Rupp above ground pump station for the gravity thickener project. Met with Gorman Rupp representative, seems like a good fit for the Authority at the Wastewater Treatment Plant. This would replace the in ground can station which is 12-15 feet in the ground, over time it would begin to rust and allow groundwater come into the station and possibly flood. Looking to incorporate into the sludge thickener project.
- High flows from recent rain events to the plant. April 1st there was a little over 3.0 million gallons, this past week it was down to about 2.2 million.

Member Hourigan asked what the daily permit is. Tom Gant explained the daily permitted flow is 1.875 million gallons, but they look at the flow over a period of time. Member McDade commended the work of those involved on the emergency repairs.

The meeting was opened to the public. There was no public comment.

Resolution No. 21-47-SA AUTHORIZING A CLOSED SESSION IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT

A matter which, if disclosed, would violate an individual's right to privacy. A matter involving the employment relationship between the Pennsville Sewerage Authority and an Authority employee. (Mark Kuhns)

Member McDade moved for adoption of Resolution No. 21-47-SA and Member Chollis seconded. Roll call vote as follows: Chollis – yes; Hourigan – yes; Masten – yes; McDade – yes; Sennstrom – yes. Resolution No. 21-47-SA is approved.

Resolution No. 21-48-SA AUTHORIZING THE AUTHORITY CHAIRMAN TO ENTER INTO AN EMPLOYMENT CONTRACT WITH THE CURRENT AUTHORITY ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT, MARK KUHNS, FOR SERVICES TO BE RENDERED TO THE AUTHORITY FOR A 5 YEAR TERM

WHEREAS, the Chairman and members of the Pennsville Sewerage Authority (hereinafter Authority) have determined that the continued safe and efficient operation of the Authority Processing Plant requires services of a plant Assistant Superintendent; and

WHEREAS, the Authority has determined that Mark Kuhns, a long time Authority employee and current Assistant Superintendent, is fully qualified to render the services in question; and

WHEREAS, an Authority Sub-Committee has negotiated the terms of an employment contract with Mark Kuhns, a copy of which is attached and made a part hereof.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Chairman and members of the Pennsville Sewerage Authority that:

1. They hereby adopt the facts and determinations as set forth in the preamble of this resolution as if the same were more fully set forth at length, and the facts and determinations shall have the same binding effect as the paragraph set forth herein below.
2. The Authority Chairman is hereby authorized to execute the contract mentioned above which provides for, among other things, a term of 5 years, with the term beginning on January 1, 2021 and ending December 31, 2026, the form of which contract has been approved by the Authority Solicitor.

Closed session minutes on a separate document.

The meeting was opened back up to the public. No public comment.

Chairman Sennstrom entertained a motion to adjourn. Member McDade so moved and Member Chollis seconded. All "aye", motion approved. Meeting adjourned at 7:03 p.m.

Taped by Kimberly A. Lockwood

Transcribed by Stevie-Nicole R. Tinklepaugh

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PENNSVILLE SEWERAGE AUTHORITY

Scott Hourigan, Secretary