

The regular monthly meeting of the Nazareth Borough Municipal Authority was held on December 19, 2024, at 7:00 p.m., at the Nazareth Borough Council Chambers. Board members present were Earl Keller, A. J. Ressler, Werner Fornos, Jr., Robert Krause, Andrea Martin, and Becky Bartlett. Also present were Bert Smalley of Lower Nazareth Township, Patricia Mandes of Bushkill Township, Alfred S. Pierce, Esquire, of Pierce & Steirer, LLC, Engineer William Brown of Herbert, Rowland & Grubic, Inc., and Scott Wyland, Esquire, of Salzmann Hughes, P.C.

Moment of Silence.

Pledge of Allegiance.

Jane Mellert discussed the Hower Farm biosolids project.

The Secretary's minutes of the meeting of November 21, 2024, were approved as presented.

Earl Keller moved and Robert Krause seconded a motion to approve the Treasurer's Report and the Cash Disbursements for November 2024 and Open Invoices for December 2024. The motion passed unanimously.

The Engineer's Report for November 2024 was approved as presented.

The Financial Report for January 1, 2024, to November 30, 2024, was approved as presented.

The Plant Manager's report for November 2024 was approved as presented.

The Office Administrator's report for November 2024 was approved as presented.

Andrea Martin moved and A. J. Ressler seconded a motion to approve hiring Scott Meckes electrician to perform work at the Hower farm. The motion passed unanimously.

Becky Bartlett moved and Earl Keller seconded a motion to approve payment No. 4 to Uhrig Construction, Inc., for the Borough Hall annex project in the amount of \$97,088.57. The motion passed unanimously.

Andrea Martin moved and Becky Bartlett seconded a motion to approve payment No. 5 to Uhrig Construction, Inc., for the Borough Hall annex project in the amount of \$50,463.40. The motion passed unanimously.

A. J. Ressler moved and Becky Bartlett seconded a motion to approve a change order to the ultraviolet light contract of Blooming Glen in the amount of \$64,325 refund. The motion passed unanimously.

Robert Krause moved and Andrea Martin seconded a motion to approve payment No. 9 to Blooming Glen for the ultraviolet light project in the amount of \$45,877.19. The motion passed unanimously.

A. J. Ressler moved and Robert Krause seconded a motion to approve an electric supply contract with Shell Energy. The motion passed unanimously.

Robert Krause moved and A. J. Ressler seconded a motion to approve the 2025 rate structure with an increase of 50¢ to the base rate. The motion passed unanimously.

Becky Bartlett moved and Earl Keller seconded a motion to approve the 2025 budget as amended. The motion passed unanimously.

Andrea Martin moved and Robert Krause seconded a motion to accept the Kappe quote for Trojan parts with a COSTARS bid in an amount not to exceed \$17,000. The motion passed unanimously.

Becky Bartlett moved and Andrea Martin seconded a motion to accept the ASCO proposal for transfer switch parts. The motion passed unanimously.

Andrea Martin moved and Earl Keller seconded a motion to expand the scope of the special counsel's representation to include storm water. The motion passed unanimously.

Chairman Fornos called an executive session.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

A. J. Ressler, Secretary