

The regular monthly meeting of the Nazareth Borough Municipal Authority was held on June 20, 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, Charles Donello, Nazareth Borough Council liaison, and Engineer William Brown of Herbert, Rowland & Grubic, Inc., and Trudy Johnston, Managing Director of Material Matters, Inc.

Moment of Silence.

Pledge of Allegiance.

Millie Beahn of Plainfield Township spoke about administration of the Authority.

The Secretary's minutes of the meeting of May 16, 2024, were approved as presented.

Earl Keller moved and Andrea Martin seconded a motion to approve the Treasurer's Report and the Cash Disbursements for May 2024 and Open Invoices for June 2024. The motion passed unanimously.

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

The Financial Report for January 1, 2024, to May 31, 2024, was approved as presented.

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

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

Mario Cozzubbo and Melissa Grube of Campbell, Rappold & Yurasits presented the 2023 auditors' report and confirmed that they issued a clean opinion for the year.

Rebecca Hayden of Pennvest explained that Pennvest is a state bank for clean water projects. The Authority can borrow up to \$20 million.

Andrea Martin moved and Robert Krause seconded a motion to approve payment No. 9 in the amount of \$198,898.24 to PSI Pumping for the ultraviolet project. The motion passed unanimously.

Andrea Martin moved and Becky Bartlett seconded a motion to approve payment No. 4 for Barrasso Excavation, Inc., in the amount of

\$2,630 for the Jandy Boulevard sewer relocation project. The motion was contingent upon the Conservation District's final approval of the restoration. The motion passed unanimously.

Robert Krause moved and A. J. Ressler seconded a motion to approve a reduction in the contract amount for Barrasso Excavation for the Jandy Boulevard relocation project of \$50,000, making the net \$278,525 for the project. The motion passed unanimously.

Andrea Martin moved and Becky Bartlett seconded a motion to approve the termination of the maintenance period for Heritage Villages Phases III and IV and releasing the letter of credit in the amount of \$55,138.20. The motion passed unanimously.

Andrea Martin moved and Earl Keller seconded a motion to approve a reduction of \$4,000 in the contract amount for JNS Paving for the driveway installation at the Trio Farms South pump station, making the net \$59,600 for the project. The motion passed unanimously.

Earl Keller moved and Becky Bartlett seconded a motion to amend the Authority's right-to-know policy to state that anonymous requests for right to know will not be accepted. The motion passed unanimously.

Robert Krause moved and A. J. Ressler seconded a motion to grant an extension for the pending Environmental Hearing Board appeal up to thirty days. The motion passed unanimously.

The Plant Manager made a report on the problems incurred in the relining projects that included 60 South Street.

Robert Krause moved and Earl Keller seconded a motion to give permanent employment status to Joseph Raddi and Thomas Adams with a \$2 per hour rate increase. The motion passed unanimously.

Andrea Martin moved and Earl Keller seconded a motion to appoint A. J. Ressler to the position of Secretary of the Authority Board of Directors. The motion passed unanimously.

Becky Bartlett moved and A. J. Ressler seconded a motion to authorize the Office Administrator to enter into a 60-month lease agreement for a new folder inserter at the rate of \$290.67 per month effective October 2024. The motion passed unanimously.

Trudy Johnston of Material Matters updated the Board on the status of the biosolids application, the DEP process and the ongoing PFAS study.

A. J. Ressler moved and Andrea Martin seconded a motion to reduce the investment account at Fidelity by terminating the short-

term account and terminating all investments in the intermediate term accounts upon maturity. The motion passed unanimously.

The Chairman called an Executive Session to discuss a possible litigation matter.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

A. J. Ressler, Secretary