

The regular monthly meeting of the Nazareth Borough Municipal Authority was held on May 16, 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, Engineer William Brown of Herbert, Rowland & Grubic, Inc., and Trudy Johnston, Managing Director of Material Matters, Inc.

Moment of Silence.

Pledge of Allegiance.

The Secretary's minutes of the meeting of April 18, 2024, were approved as presented.

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

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

The Financial Report for January 1, 2024, to April 30, 2024, was approved as corrected.

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

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

Andrea Martin moved and Robert Krause seconded a motion to approve the payment No. 8 on the UV light disinfection system to PSI Pumping Solutions in the amount of \$174,579.83. The motion passed unanimously.

Andrea Martin moved and Becky Bartlett seconded a motion to approve payment No. 3 to Barrasso Excavation, Inc., for the Jandy Boulevard sewer relocation projection in the amount of \$184,450. The motion passed unanimously.

Earl Keller moved and A. J. Ressler seconded a motion to approve payment No. 5 to Blooming Glen Contractors for the UV light disinfection system in the amount of \$45,967.23. The motion passed unanimously.

Becky Bartlett moved and Robert Krause seconded a motion to approve the reduction in the letter of credit of Heritage Village for Phases V and VI in the total amount of \$157,772.11. The motion passed unanimously.

Andrea Martin moved and A. J. Ressler seconded a motion to accept the bid of Kappe Associates, Inc., for a Sanitare SCADA system upgrade, including computers, software licenses, engineering, programming, start up and training for a cost not to exceed \$75,400 per the Pennsylvania COSTARS procurement program. The motion passed unanimously.

Earl Keller moved and Robert Krause seconded a motion to give a capacity of 2,000 gallons per day for the proposed Rutters in Palmer Township. The motion passed unanimously.

Robert Krause moved and Earl Keller seconded a motion to adopt the website mission statement proposed by Andrea Martin:

The intent of the Nazareth Borough Municipal Authority is to provide the highest standard of reliable sanitary sewage collection and treatment to serve our community today and in the future; to be a leader in providing a sustainable wastewater system that economically protects the environment and public health while providing our customers with excellent quality service at a fair and reasonable price.

The motion passed unanimously.

Andrea Martin moved and Becky Bartlett seconded a motion to accept the bid of Utility Services Group, Inc., in the amount of \$15,000 to do manhole lining. The motion passed unanimously.

Andrea Martin moved and Becky Bartlett seconded a motion to accept the bid of Musson Brothers, Inc., at the rate of \$156 per linear foot for sewer pipe lining, plus traffic control, for 180 feet. The motion passed unanimously.

Trudy Johnston reported on the status of the Hower Farm biosolids permit process.

Jane Mellert of Benders Church Road, Pen Argyl, discussed the Hower farm biosolids project.

The Board conducted a general discussion regarding financial planning. The consensus was to take no action on a proposed loan from Fidelity Bank. The Chairman designated a committee of Andrea Martin, A. J. Ressler and Werner Fornos to prepare an amendment to the investment policy dated July 2022.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert Krause, Secretary Pro Tem