

**REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**  
**December 15, 2014**

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The Regular Meeting of the Lehigh County Authority was called to order at 12:24 p.m., on Monday, December 15, 2014, Chairman Asa Hughes presiding. Other Members present at the commencement of the meeting were: Brian Nagle, Tom Muller, Richard Bohner, Norma Cusick, Scott Bieber and Ted Lyons. Authority Staff present were Aurel Arndt, Liesel Adam, Bradford Landon, Ed Bielarski, Frank Leist, Dan Standish, Pat Mandes, John Parsons, and Lisa Miller.

Richard Parizek from Penn State University, Bill Bohner from ARRO Consultants and Ralph Eschborn from AECOM were also present.

**REVIEW OF AGENDA**

Mr. Arndt stated that the LCA Laboratory Water and Wastewater Analysis Services Contract under Finance and Administration and the Wynnewood Terrace Pump Station and Force Main Replacement item under Wastewater are withdrawn for this meeting. There will be Staff Comments regarding the proposed schedule of 2015 Board Meetings.

Emrich Stellar arrived at the meeting at 12:28 p.m.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Mr. Arndt stated there would not be an Executive Session.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**November 10, 2014 Regular Meeting Minutes**

Mr. Bohner stated that the Minutes need to be corrected to add Ted Lyons as present at the meeting.

On motion by Richard Bohner, seconded by Scott Bieber, the Board unanimously approved the Minutes of the November 10, 2014 Regular Meeting as revised (8-0).

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

None.

**ACTION AND DISCUSSION ITEMS**

**2015 Budget - Approval**

Mr. Bielarski gave a presentation on the Proposed 2015 Budget highlights and referred to the Budget document. Discussion followed.

On a motion by Emrich Stellar, seconded by Norma Cusick, the Board unanimously approved the 2015 Budget (8-0).

**Water/Wastewater Rate Updates – Approval**

Ms. Adam presented the Authority's water and wastewater rate schedules for adoption, with changes primarily in the customer service related fees such as the Site Visit Fee and Customer Facilities (Meter) Fees, to reflect actual cost of these services. An addendum to the Customer Facilities Fees under the water rate schedule was handed out to the Board.

On a motion by Richard Bohner, seconded by Norma Cusick, the Board unanimously approved the water and wastewater rates as presented (8-0).

**537 Plan Study**

Richard Parizek from Penn State University, Bill Bohner from ARRO Consultants and Ralph Eschborn from AECOM updated the Board on the 537 Plan Study currently underway. The PowerPoint presentation focused on the land application alternative, 537 planning and DRBC effluent requirements. Chairman Hughes thanked them for their presentation.

**SYSTEM OPERATIONS OVERVIEW**

Mr. Standish reported that there have been standard main breaks which are typical this time of the year.

**STAFF COMMENTS**

Mr. Arndt handed out the 2015 Meeting Schedule to the Board. Any conflicts with the dates shall be brought to his attention by the end of the year.

**SOLICITOR'S COMMENTS**

None.

**OTHER COMMENTS**

None.

**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, the Chairman adjourned the meeting at 2:28 p.m.

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Richard H. Bohner  
Secretary