

WORKSHOP MEETING MINUTES
June 15, 2015

The Workshop Meeting of the Lehigh County Authority was called to order at 12:24 p.m., on Monday, June 15, 2015, Chairman Brian Nagle presiding. Other Members present at the commencement of the meeting were: Emrich Stellar, Linda Rosenfeld, Tom Muller, Norma Cusick, Scott Bieber and Ted Lyons. Authority Staff present were Aurel Arndt, Liesel Adam, Frank Leist, Pat Mandes, John Parsons, Bob Kerchusky, Chuck Volk and Lisa Miller.

REVIEW OF AGENDA

Mr. Arndt stated that there will be an Executive Session after the regular meeting to discuss a personnel matter.

ACTION AND DISCUSSION ITEMS

Suburban Division – WLI/LLRI Meter Station No. 5 Rehabilitation Project

Frank Leist gave an overview of the project. Chuck Volk submitted a memorandum to the Board asking for a rejection of the Construction Contract bid received from Eastern Environmental Contractors, Inc. in the amount of \$604,900 and to authorize a re-bid of the work. The bid amount exceeds the preliminary cost opinion and appears to be excessive.

On a motion by Emrich Stellar, seconded by Norma Cusick, the Board unanimously approved rejection of the bid from Eastern Environmental Contractors, Inc. and re-bidding of the project (7-0).

Allentown Division – Transmission Main Leak Detection Survey

John Parsons gave an overview of the project. He recommends approval of the Professional Services Authorization and awarding the project to Echologics, LLC in the amount of \$135,148 to perform a non-invasive leak detection survey on 32,865 feet of 16" to 36" diameter steel and cast iron water transmission mains in the Allentown Division.

Ted Lyons asked how much unaccounted water we have in our system. Frank Leist said 22% in the Allentown Division.

On a motion by Tom Muller, seconded by Scott Bieber, the Board unanimously approved the Professional Services Authorization to Echologics, LLC in the amount of \$135,148 (7-0).

Concession Agreement and Trust Indenture Amendments

Aurel Arndt gave an overview of the Indenture. The amendments to the Agreement and the Indenture are to correct errors and omissions regarding descriptions of real property conveyed by the City to the Authority.

On a motion by Norma Cusick, seconded by Linda Rosenfeld, the Board unanimously approved the amendment to the Concession Agreement and the Trust Indenture in substantially the form presented at the Board meeting, authorizing Authority management staff to complete negotiation of the terms of these documents and the transaction as well as to sign all necessary documentation to complete the transaction.(7-0).

SYSTEM OPERATIONS OVERVIEW

None.

STAFF COMMENTS

None.

SOLICITOR'S COMMENTS

None.

OTHER COMMENTS

None.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The Chairman called an Executive Session at 12:43 p.m. to discuss a personnel matter.

The session ended at 1:40 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the Chairman adjourned the meeting at 1:40 p.m.

Richard H. Bohner, Secretary