M I N U T E S

Board of Public Works
Michael E. Kobza Hall of Justice
Muskegon, Michigan
July 19, 2012

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Marvin Engle at 3:30 p.m.

ROLL

Present: Lewis Collins; Benjamin Cross; Marvin Engle; Alan Jager; Scott Plummer; I. John Snider.

Excused: James Derezinski; David Fisher; Rillastine Wilkins.

Staff Present: John Warner, Director of Public Works; Mark Eisenbarth, Wastewater Director; Heath Kaplan, Director of Finance & Management; Ted Williams, Corporate Counsel; Karen Fisher, Secretary.

Others Present: Rob Zbiciak, MDEQ; Brenda Moore, Mona Lake Watershed; Chuck Krepps, Moorland Township Supervisor; Mike Thompson, Egelston Township Supervisor; David Kieft, Jr., Muskegon Charter Township Supervisor; Commissioner Scolnik.

BPW-12-106 – APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Moved by Mr. Plummer, seconded by Mr. Cross, to approve the agenda with the removal of item E-2 "Revised Second Amendment to Site Lease for AT&T".

Motion carried

BPW-12-107 – APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Moved by Mr. Snider, seconded by Mr. Plummer, to approve the minutes of the regular meeting held June 14, 2012, and the special meeting held July 12, 2012.

Motion carried

BPW-12-108 – PUBLIC COMMENT ON AN AGENDA ITEM

There were no public comments on any agenda items.

BPW-12-109 – AUTHORIZATION TO BID – CONSTRUCTION OF GAS SYSTEM EXPANSION IN LANDFILL CELLS

Moved by Mr. Cross, seconded by Mr. Collins, to authorize staff to bid the construction of gas system expansion in the landfill cells at Solid Waste with costs being paid from Solid Waste fund 5710-0526.

Roll call: Ayes – Snider; Engle; Collins; Plummer; Cross; Jager.

Nays – None.

Motion carried

BPW-12-110 – AUTHORIZATION TO BID – GPS

Moved by Mr. Plummer, seconded by Mr. Snider, to authorize staff to solicit bids for the purchase of a GPS system for the compactors and dozer at Solid Waste with costs being paid by Solid Waste fund 5710-0526.

Motion carried

BPW-12-111 – PERMISSION TO SEND LETTER TO MDEQ – MOSQUITO CREEK

Moved by Mr. Collins, seconded by Mr. Cross, to authorize staff to send a letter to MDEQ asking them to perform a stream impact evaluation on Mosquito Creek based on our discharge flows.

Motion carried

BPW-12-112 – REJECT BIDS – RUDDIMAN CREEK INTERCEPTOR REHABILITATION PHASE II PROJECT

Moved by Mr. Cross, seconded by Mr. Plummer, to reject all bids received for the Ruddiman Creek Interceptor Rehabilitation Phase II project, per the specifications in RFB 12-2002.

BPW-12-112 – REJECT BIDS – RUDDIMAN CREEK INTERCEPTOR REHABILITATION PHASE II PROJECT CONT'D

Roll call: Ayes – Plummer; Cross; Jager; Snider; Engle; Collins.

Nays – None.

Motion carried

BPW-12-113 – AUTHORIZATION TO HIRE FOUR SEASONAL OPERATORS

Moved by Mr. Snider, seconded by Mr. Cross, to authorize staff to proceed with hiring four Seasonal Operators instead of filling 2 full-time Irrigation Operator positions at an hourly rate of $14.57, Range WW00060.

Roll call: Ayes – Cross; Jager; Snider; Engle; Collins; Plummer.

Nays – None.

Motion carried

BPW-12-114 – MARSH PROJECT ON WASTEWATER SITE

Moved by Mr. Collins, seconded by Mr. Plummer, to authorize the Drain Commissioner to submit alternative #4 (southern route) as the new route for the drain in field 51 and authorize the appropriate easements to the drain district, contingent upon EPA approval of the alternate route.

Moved by Mr. Cross, seconded by Mr. Plummer to suspend the rules and allow audience participation on this issue.

Roll call: Ayes – Engle; Collins; Plummer; Cross; Jager; Snider.

Nays – None.

Motion carried

Mr. Rob Zbiciak, MDEQ, gave the Board of Public Works a brief summary of the marsh project.

BPW-12-114 – MARSH PROJECT ON WASTEWATER SITE CONT'D

Mr. Chuck Krepps, Moorland Township Supervisor, addressed the Board of Public Works regarding the marsh project. He stated it is important to the community to go forward with this project.

Ms. Brenda Moore, Mona Lake Watershed, addressed the Board of Public Works regarding the marsh project. She thanked County staff for their hard work on this project.

Moved by Mr. Plummer, seconded by Mr. Snider, to return to the regular agenda.

Motion carried

Following discussion, Mr. Collins withdrew his motion and Mr. Plummer withdrew his support.

Moved by Mr. Snider, seconded by Mr. Jager, to agree with the concept of alternative #4, allow staff time to answer the questions raised by the Wastewater Management Committee regarding the project and bring the issue back to the Board of Public Works at a special meeting on July 31, 2012.

Roll call: Ayes – Jager; Snider; Engle; Collins; Plummer; Cross.

Nays – None.

Motion carried

BPW-12-115 – INFORMATION ITEMS

Moved by Mr. Collins, seconded by Mr. Cross, that the following information items be received and placed on file:

1. Public Works Monthly Operations Report, June 2012.

2. Wastewater Monthly Operating Report, June 2012.

Motion carried

BPW-12-116 – OLD BUSINESS

There was no old business.

BPW-12-117 – NEW BUSINESS

There was no new business.

BPW-12-118 – PUBLIC COMMENT ON A NEW ITEM

Mr. Roger Nye, 1495 Westwood Circle, addressed the Board of Public Works. Mr. Nye stated he is associated with Occupy Muskegon and the Tea Party and they are interested in understanding and learning how county government works.

Mr. David Kieft, Jr., Muskegon Charter Township Supervisor, and Chairman of the Muskegon County Regional Water System Policy Board, addressed the Board of Public Works. Mr. Kieft stated a meeting was held with some members of the Water Policy Board members without his knowledge regarding the water purchase agreement with the City of Muskegon and he would like some information on that meeting. John Warner and Commissioner Snider were also in attendance at the meeting. Mr. Warner and Commissioner Snider will discuss this issue with Mr. Kieft after the Public Works Board meeting.

BPW-12-119 – ADJOURN

Moved by Mr. Collins, seconded by Mr. Plummer, to adjourn the meeting at 4:08 p.m.

Motion carried

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Marvin Engle, Chairman

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