

Minutes of the Fox Chapel Authority Board of Directors meeting held Tuesday, October 29th, 2024.

Board of Directors present

Mrs. A. C. Lehman, President (Present)
Mr. J. A. Domaratz, Vice President (Present)
Mrs. N. S. Snider, Secretary (Present)
Mr. C. Pegher, Asst. Secretary & Treasurer (Present)

Others present

Mr. M. S. Moore, Bankson Engineers, Inc. (Present)
Mr. J. M. Stacko, Dinsmore & Shohl (Present)
Mr. R. R. Verbanic, Distribution Supervisor (Present)
Mr. N. A. Sergent, Distribution Supervisor (Present)
Mr. D. F. Kendrick, Interim Manager (Present)

Mrs. Lehman, President, presided and called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m.

Approval of September 2024 Meeting Minutes

Mr. Domaratz made a motion to approve the September meeting minutes. Mrs. Lehman seconded, all voted in favor.

Visiting Delegations/Comment Period

None.

Financial Report

Mr. Kendrick covered the monthly financial reports. The check register and large checks written were discussed. Overall, the financials for the month look good.

Consulting Engineer's Report

Mr. Moore spoke to the Pennsylvania LSA Grant program. There will be another round of grants for 2025 in the amount of \$1,000,000.00. Mr. Kendrick stressed the importance of repairing the RIDC Reservoir roof. Mr. Moore revised the cost to repair the RIDC Reservoir roof at \$926,000.00. Mr. Moore proposed a resolution to reapply for the next round of grants. Mr. Domaratz made a motion to sign the resolution, Mrs. Lehman seconded. The resolution was signed by Mrs. Snider. The current grant program awards will be announced in November.

Mr. Moore informed the Board that FCA was unsuccessful in receiving grant money for the purchase of a new dump truck, and advised the board that if a new dump truck was needed FCA funds would be required to purchase.

Solicitor's Report

Mr. Stacko spoke to the three notices of intent to lien, and the benefits of the past resolution.

Mr. Kendrick reviewed the property at 9 River Rd, and the situation regarding that property. Mrs. Lehman voted to approve waiving the fees associated with the account, Mr. Domaratz seconded, all voted in favor.

Mrs. Lehman suggested that moving forward, FCA staff check on the current state off customers addresses.

Manager's Report

Mr. Kendrick and Mr. Verbanic reviewed the items on the monthly manager's report and covered the projects and items for discussion. Updates were provided on the SCADA project, the Year 2 Meter Program, the Old Mill water line project and the current status of the Lead and Copper Rule.

Regarding the Meter Change Out program, the Board commended the staff for running successful articles in the herald. Mrs. Lehman suggested that the staff should run another article in a couple months.

Mr. Sergent introduced himself to the Board, and present what he is currently working on and his outlook for the FCA regarding the GIS mapping and leak detection.

Committee Reports

Mrs. Lehman, on behalf of Mr. Newman, made mention that an RFP has been issued for auditing services.

Mrs. Snider made mention of her attempts to try to obtain grant money for FCA to purchase a new dump truck.

Mr. Domaratz had nothing to report regarding the personal committee.

Old Business

Mr. Verbanic briefly revisited the needed to purchase a new dump truck. This will be discussed further at a future finance committee meeting.

New Business

Mr. Kendrick discussed the need to clarify the adjustment policy. The Board advised Mr. Kendrick to stick to the written policy, if changes are needed, they will be discussed in the future.

Adjustment Requests

Mr. Kendrick reviewed (3) adjustment requests presented to the Authority. (2) of the requests meet the intent of the adjustment policy and will be granted. (1) does not meet the intent of the adjustment policy and will not be approved.

Executive Session

None.

Board Comments

Mr. Pegher discussed his concerns with PFAS. Mr. Kendrick noted that Jake Hall was attended a seminar regarding PFAS. It was suggested that Mr. Hall attend a future board meeting to discuss.

Adjournment

There being no further business, Mrs. Snider made a motion to adjourn, which was seconded by Mr. Domaratz. All voted in favor. The meeting was adjourned.