

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the
Board of The Wilkinsburg-Penn Joint
Water Authority held on
April 27, 2021, at 7:00 o'clock p.m. at
2200 Robinson Boulevard,
Wilkinsburg, PA. 15221.

Present:	Fuller	Czekaj	Broz
	Coles	Gilliland	Crombie-Collins
	Joyce-May	Rawlins	Simon

Others Present: Bianchi, Sorce, Komandt, Balewski, Alexander and Davis

Absent: Vento, Vahosky, Scolieri

The regular meeting commenced at 7:00 p.m. with Mr. Simon, chairman presiding and Ms. Davis recording the minutes. The meeting was called to order by Mr. Simon followed by roll call and the Pledge of Allegiance. The Chairman then called for public comments at which time *Madeline Weiss*: of "Our Water Campaign" offered congratulations on the Authority's grant from the PENNVEST that will provide customer protection against lead in the water. She also offered the assistance of her company's expertise to help design and implement programs. Victoria Walker: resident of Penn Hills, expressed her dissatisfaction of the water quality within her residence. She also asked that customers and community activist have a part in the decision-making process of how the PENNVEST grant dollars are allocated. Upon conclusion of the public comment period Mr. Simon called for the approval of the Workshop and Regular Meeting Minutes of March 23, 2021. The motion was made contingent upon a correction to page four (4) of the regular meeting minutes to correct the name of the individual that seconded the motion for approval of Contract #2020-20 "Clugston Avenue Water Line Replacement", whereupon;

**APPROVAL OF THE WORKSHOP
AND AMENDED REGULAR
MEETING MINUTES OF
MARCH 23, 2021**

On a motion by Mrs. Crombie-Collins, seconded by Mr. Fuller, it was resolved by voice vote, that the workshop and amended regular meeting minutes of 3/23/2021, be approved as amended and the same are hereby approved as amended.

BILLS AND COMMUNICATIONS:

In response to published advertisement for Contract #2020-21 "Wall Avenue Waterline Replacement", sealed Proposals were received, opened and read at *The Turtle Creek Valley Council of Governments*, offices in Monroeville, PA 15146 on March 23, 2021, with copies of Bid Tabulations filed in the Administrative Office at 2200 Robinson Boulevard, Wilkinsburg, Pennsylvania 15221.

- ◆ As discussed in the earlier workshop meeting, authorization was requested to award Contract #2020-21 "Wall Avenue Water Line Replacement" (Pitcairn Borough) to *W. A. Petrakis Contracting, LLC*, the lowest most responsible bidder, in the amount of \$607,750.00. Bid opening was March 23, 2021, whereupon;

**AUTHORIZATION TO AWARD
CONTRACT #2020-21 "WALL
AVENUE WATER LINE
REPLACEMENT" (BOROUGH OF
PITCAIRN) TO W. A. PETRAKIS
CONTRACTING, LLC, THE LOWEST
MOST RESPONSIBLE BIDDER, IN
THE AMOUNT OF \$607,750.00.**

On a motion by Mr. Gilliland,
seconded by Mr. Coles, with one (1)
abstention, it was resolved by roll call
vote to award Contract #2020-21 to
W. A. Petrakis Contracting LLC, at the
amount of \$607,750.00, and the same
is hereby authorized and approved.

Abstention: Simon

In response to published advertisement for Contract #21-007 "Hawkins Avenue Waterline Replacement", sealed Proposals were received, opened and read at *The Turtle Creek Valley Council of Governments*, offices in Monroeville, PA 15146 on March 23, 2021, with copies of Bid Tabulations filed in the Administrative Office at 2200 Robinson Boulevard, Wilkinsburg, Pennsylvania 15221.

- ◆ As discussed in the earlier workshop meeting, authorization was requested to award Contract #21-007 "Hawkins Avenue Water Line Replacement" (North Braddock) to *Lawson Excavating, Inc.*, the lowest most responsible bidder, at the amount of \$269,957.00, whereupon;

**AUTHORIZATION TO AWARD
CONTRACT #21-007 "HAWKINS
AVENUE WATER LINE
REPLACEMENT" (NORTH
BRADDOCK) TO LAWSON
EXCAVATING, INC., THE LOWEST
MOST RESPONSIBLE BIDDER, AT
THE AMOUNT OF \$269,957**

Abstentions: Czekaj, Gilliland

On a motion by Mr. Fuller, seconded by Ms. Broz, with two (2) abstentions, it was resolved by roll call vote to award Contract # 21-007 to *Lawson Excavating, Inc.*, at the amount of \$269,957.00, and the same is hereby authorized and approved.

- ◆ As discussed in the earlier workshop meeting, authorization was requested to award Contract #21-008 "Landscape and Grass Cutting Services" to *Pittsburgh Lawn Care*", the lowest most responsible bidder at the amount of \$6900.00 per month. Annual contract is awarded for one (1) year with two (2) one-year options. Bid opening was April 16, 2021, whereupon;

AUTHORIZATION TO AWARD CONTRACT #21-008 "LANDSCAPE AND GRASS CUTTING SERVICES" TO *PITTSBURGH LAWN CARE*", THE LOWEST MOST RESPONSIBLE BIDDER AT THE AMOUNT OF \$6900.00 PER MONTH. ANNUAL CONTRACT IS AWARDED FOR ONE (1) YEAR WITH TWO (2) ONE-YEAR OPTIONS

On a motion by Mrs. Crombie-Collins, seconded by Ms. Broz, it was resolved by voice vote, to award Contract #21-008 to *Pittsburgh Lawn Care*, for one year at the amount of \$6900.00 per month, and the same are hereby authorized and approved.

- ◆ As discussed in the earlier workshop meeting, authorization was requested to participate in the SHACOG Purchasing Alliance and award Contract # 21-015 "2A and 2B Aggregate" to *Amerilwhl Inc.*, the lowest most responsible bidder, at the amount of \$20.70 and \$23.70 per ton respectively, whereupon;

AUTHORIZATION TO PARTICIPATE IN THE SHACOG PURCHASING ALLIANCE AND AWARD CONTRACT #21-015 "2A AND 2B AGGREGATE" TO *AMER/KOHL INC.*, THE LOWEST MOST RESPONSIBLE BIDDER, AT THE AMOUNT OF \$20.70 AND \$23.70 PER TON RESPECTIVELY

On a motion by Mr. Czekaj, seconded by Mrs. Joyce-May, it was resolved by voice vote, to award Contract #21-015 to *Amerikohl Inc.*, at the amount of \$20.70 per ton & 23.70 per ton respectively, and the same are hereby authorized and approved.

REPORTS OF OFFICERS:

Mr. Simon, Chairman,
No report

Mr. Vento, Vice Chairman,
Absent-No report

Ms. Broz, Secretary,
No report

Mr. Fuller, Treasurer:

Mr. Fuller, treasurer, asked the body if they had any questions of the voucher run that was mailed out this past week under separate cover. Hearing none, he made the following motion based on management's recommendation and his review of the bills that expenditures from March 13, 2021, through April 16, 2021, be ratified in the amount of \$1,802,720.22. Said amount does not include net payroll, payment of payroll taxes or the electronic transfer of some municipality's sewage collections. In addition, authorization of disbursements was requested through May 25, 2021, whereupon;

RATIFICATION OF EXPENDITURES FROM MARCH 13, 2021 THROUGH APRIL 16, 2021, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,802,720.22 AND AUTHORIZATION OF VOUCHER DISBURSEMENTS THROUGH MAY 25, 2021

On a motion by Mr. Fuller, seconded by Ms. Broz, with three (3) exceptions, it was resolved by roll call vote that ratification of expenditures from March 13, 2021, through April 16, 2021, in the amount of \$1,802,720.22 be authorized. (Electronic transfers have been included but are not reflective in the total) Additionally, authorization of expenditures through May 25, 2021, are hereby ratified and authorized.

Abstentions: Czekaj from bills pertaining to *Glenn Engineers*
Gilliland from bills pertaining to *Glenn Engineers*
Simon from bills pertaining to *ms consultants*

REPORT OF COMMITTEES:

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE:

No report

FINANCE COMMITTEE

No report

LABOR RELATIONS COMMITTEE:

In the absence of Mr. Vahosky, Mr. Bianchi apprised the board of the Union's request for a meeting with the Labor Committee. He will be contacting committee members for their availability to meet.

POLICY COMMITTEE:

No report

ENGINEERING COMMITTEE:

No report

Consulting Engineer

Mr. Balewski discussed his report at the earlier workshop meeting.
He had nothing further to add.

Solicitor

Mr. Alexander discussed his report at the earlier workshop meeting.
He had nothing further to add.

REPORT OF MANAGEMENT:

The report of Management is made part of the workshop minutes, having been discussed and distributed to each Board member at the earlier workshop. In conjunction, Mr. Bianchi had the following items to submit for approval:

- ◆ As discussed in the earlier workshop meeting, authorization was requested for the Executive Director to award Contract #2020-18 "Alum Storage Tank at Water Treatment Plant" to the lowest most responsible bidder and ratify award at the May 25, 2021, meeting. Bid opening scheduled May 6, 2021, whereupon;

**AUTHORIZATION FOR THE
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO
AWARD CONTRACT #2020-18
"ALUM STORAGE TANK AT
WATER TREATMENT PLANT" TO
THE LOWEST MOST RESPONSIBLE
BIDDER AND RATIFY AT THE
MAY 25, 2021, MEETING. BID
OPENING SCHEDULED MAY 6, 2021,**

On a motion by Mr. Fuller, seconded by Mrs. Crombie-Collins with one (1) abstention, it was resolved by roll call vote, to grant authorization for the Executive Director to award Contract #2020-18 and ratify award at the 5/25/2021 board meeting, and the same is hereby authorized and approved.

Abstention: Simon

- ♦ As discussed in the earlier workshop meeting, authorization was requested for the Executive Director to award Contract #21-013 "Sandblasting and Painting of Brinton Rd. Water Tank" (Braddock Hills) to the lowest most responsible bidder and ratify award at the May 25, 2021, meeting. Bid opening scheduled May 6, 2021, whereupon;

**AUTHORIZATION FOR THE
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO
AWARD CONTRACT #21-013
"SANDBLASTING AND PAINTING
OF BRINTON RD. WATER TANK"
(BRADDOCK HILLS) TO THE
LOWEST MOST RESPONSIBLE
BIDDER AND RATIFY AT THE
MAY 25, 2021, MEETING. BID
OPENING SCHEDULED MAY 6, 2021,**

On a motion by Mrs. Joyce-May, seconded by Mr. Fuller, with one (1) abstention, it was resolved by roll call vote to grant authorization to the Executive Director to award Contract #21-013 and ratify at the 5/25/2021 meeting, and the same is hereby authorized and approved.

Abstention: Simon

- ♦ As discussed in the earlier workshop meeting, authorization was requested to prepare Bid Specifications for Contract #21-016 "Replacement 16-inch Transmission Main Line" (Borough of Pitcairn). Project involves the replacement of approximately 3,000 linear feet. The bid to include an option to open cut or a liner alternative, whereupon;

**AUTHORIZATION TO PREPARE
BID SPECIFICATIONS FOR
CONTRACT #21-016
"REPLACEMENT 16 INCH
TRANSMISSION MAIN LINE"
(PITCAIRN BOROUGH). PROJECT
INVOLVES THE REPLACEMENT OF
APPROXIMATELY 3,000 LINEAR
FEET. THE BID TO INCLUDE AN
OPTION TO OPEN CUT OR A LINER
ALTERNATIVE**

On a motion by Mrs. Crombie-Collins, seconded by Mrs. Joyce-May it was resolved by roll call vote, to prepare Bid Specifications for Contract #21-016, and the same is hereby authorized and approved.

Unfinished Business

The question was raised regarding when in-person Board meetings might resume.

New Business

Mr. Bianchi retracted his request to go into an executive session.

There being no further business to come before the Board, on a motion by Mr. Fuller, seconded by Ms. Rawlins and unanimously carried, the meeting adjourned at 7:21 p.m.

Secretary