

**BELLEFONTE BOROUGH AUTHORITY
MEETING MINUTES**

(Virtual Meeting)

November 10, 2020 – 6 p.m.

236 West Lamb Street, Bellefonte, PA 16823

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CALL TO ORDER:

The virtual meeting of the November 10, 2020 Bellefonte Borough Authority was called to order at 6 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

ROLL CALL:

AUTHORITY MEMBERS

PRESENT VIA ZOOM:

Mr. Joe Falcone
Mr. Brian Walker
Mr. Doug Johnson
Mr. Mike Schmidt
Mr. Frank (Buddy) Halderman
Mr. Joe Beigle
Mr. Greg Brown

STAFF:

Mr. Ralph Stewart, Borough Manager
Mr. Bob Cooke
Mr. Matt Auman
Frank Noll, Assistant Superintendent

MINUTES Nothing presented.

COMMUNICATIONS

Written communications from the DEP were received. The Shiloh Road line permit was discussed, and the permit application submission deficiencies were noted.

FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT

The budget was reviewed and discussed briefly. Water projects were identified for 2021. The sewer budget would have a \$31,000 increase in revenue. A \$5 per quarter increase was discussed, and this increase has been done over the past few years.

Centre Care's connection was discussed. The new facility will be on the UAJA connection.

SEWER REPORT – B. DECKER A written report was submitted in Mr. Decker's absence. Biomag issues were being worked out and the work at the airport was briefly discussed.

WATER REPORT – M. AUMAN October 1 a new water tap was installed at 103 Bay Street. October 2, multiple sewer laterals were fixed. October 15-21 140 6-inch sewer pipe was installed, and water tap was installed at Spring a Manchester. October 26, a water leak was located which was a service line to the old gas station on Triangle Road. This was eliminated. October 27 replaced service line at 343 East Burrows Street. October 28 line was replaced a 733 West Lamb Street and Governor's park restrooms were winterized at the end of the month. The gas leak was discussed briefly.

WWTP REPORT – B. COOKE October 6 the _____ service tech was onsite, and he discovered an electrical issue with the RTC. He returned on October 7 and made repairs. October 8 one of the pumps was taken out of service due to noise. Maintenance will repair. Controls were repaired on the pump control panel. October 30 hydraulic and fuel leaks were detected. Maintenance removed the part for repairs. Ingersoll Rand service tech was on site to trouble site oil leak in the air compressor.

OLD BUSINESS

Mr. Stewart discussed a work session with Evan Lloyd to discuss a local water agreement for bottled water.

NEW BUSINESS

Daily Water Withdraw report

Drought Emergency Plan – the plan was discussed briefly due to the temporary drought watch issued in the fall. The DEP requested a copy of the plan. Milesburg and Bellefonte had comparable plans. The DEP requested that the report be updated. ‘’

Mr. Falcone moved to approve the drought contingency plan to submit to the DEP. Mr. _____ seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Meeting dates for 2021 were reviewed by Authority members. No action was taken.

Energy Purchase Memo was discussed. PSU facilities engineering has been used in the past. The Borough is looking to switch to APPI, a vendor who purchases energy. All electrical accounts would be consolidated and if the agreement is signed. The new contract would begin the start of 2021. APPI stated that the Borough would save up to \$17,000 compared to the current contract. The contract was ultimately locked in at a \$20,000 per year savings, per Mr. Stewart.

Strategic Management Plan was reviewed and discussed. This was grant funded.

ADJOURNMENT:

Mr. Falcone moved to adjourn. Mr. Walker seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 7:05 p.m.

EXECUTIVE SESSION