

JACKSON TWP WATER AUTHORITY
(JTWA)

Monthly Meeting
September 27, 2016
7 pm

CALL TO ORDER

WALTER DITCHCREEK, CHAIRMAN, OPENED THE MEETING WITH A PRAYER AND THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE. Others board members in attendance were John Wallet, Secretary; Raymond Dodson, Treasurer; and Robb Piper, Vice-Chairman. Don Hrapchak, Asst. Treasurer / Secretary was absent. Others in attendance were Pat Mulchay, EADS Group; Jim Deter, CPA; Karl Smith, Foreman, Fred Meier and Debra Buksa, Secretary. Covering for the *Nanty Glo Journal* was Allison Graver. Other in attendance were Joe & John Hancharick, Donna Hibbard and Clare Silk.

Solicitor, CJ Webb announced that an executive session was held prior to the monthly meeting concerning possible litigation with no formal actions taking place.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Joe & John Hancharick, Donna Hibbard and Clare Silk, homeowners, presented their concerns with the low water pressure in their homes. Karl explained that he had checked the pressure and the level is within DEP standards. He explained further that the residents have volume with limited pressure due to the elevation and internal pumping is also restricting water. The residents insisted that the Authority had installed pumps for other residents along this area. Ms Silk feels if the Authority gives one a pump all should receive one. (*Please see note following engineer's report*) After several minutes of debate, the Board decided that our engineer will accompany Karl and Fred before the next meeting to assess the situation. The findings will be brought before the Board at the next monthly meeting.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES:

ON MOTION BY WALTER, SECOND BY RAY AND APPROVED BY ALL THE MINUTES OF AUGUST 23, 2016 AS PRINTED.

CPA REPORT: (Jim Deter)

Jim had emailed the 7-month Statement of Income for review.

ON MOTION BY RAY SECOND BY ROBB AND APPROVED BY ALL TO ACCEPT THE 7-MONTH STATEMENT OF INCOME.

ENGINEER'S REPORT (Pat Mulchay)

- The agreement between JTWA and ETWA – working on DEP permits and right-of-way.
- Telemetry – moving forward –Cambria Systems is going to start work asap
- Pat is still working in the Annual Report.
- GIS –leaks have taken precedent –hope to start back in October
- Chapter 110 violation on report –will have done and submitted within 30 days.

John had texted his brother George Wallet regarding the installation of a pump by Authority to his rental property along Pike Road during public comments. George had replied that no pump was installed. He had fittings changed out.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT: (CJ Webb)

The solicitor reported that Nanty Glo Water Authority would like JTWA to consider an amendment to the original contract. They would like us to extend the original contract length from 2024 to 2040.

ON MOTION BY JOHN SECOND BY RAY AND APPROVED BY ALL TO DENY THE EXTENSION OF TIME TO CURRENT AGREEMENT BETWEEN JTWA AND THE NANTY GLO WATER AUTHORITY.

FOREMAN'S REPORT: (Karl Smith)

Karl's report is attached.

OFFICE MANAGER'S REPORT: (Debra Buksa)

The secretary's report was reviewed. Report is attached.

PAYMENT OF August's BILLS:

ON MOTION BY WALTER SECOND BY ROBB AND APPROVED BY ALL TO PAY AUGUST'S BILLS.

CORRESPONDENCE:

A complete list of correspondence is attached to minutes.

NEW BUSINESS:

The new owners of Leisure Village, Evergreen Associates, are requesting all accounts be put into their name and not the tenants'. The Board would like the secretary to gather more information from Evergreen before any decisions are made.

Karl extended his and his family's gratitude for the staff and Board's kindness.

OLD BUSINESS:

Robb asked for a moment of silence in honor of David.

Ford's Corner Tank roof - Karl had inspected the roof and feels it is holding up and could make it through the winter if need be.

ADJOURNMENT:

ON MOTION BY JOHN, SECOND BY RAY AND APPROVED BY ALL TO ADJOURN AT 8:25 PM.