



## Elizabethtown Regional Sewer Authority Minutes

**September 10, 2024**

The Elizabethtown Regional Sewer Authority (ERSA) met at 6:30 PM at the public meeting room located at 235 Ersa Drive, Elizabethtown, PA with the following members in attendance: Ken Shaffer, John O'Connell, Al Sollenberger and Roger Snyder. Dave Sweigart and Rick Erb were absent. Also present were ERSA Operations Manager, Steve Rettew; Engineer, Abraham King; Solicitor, Jeff Shank; ERSA Manager, Nick Viscome.

**It was motioned by Sollenberger and seconded by Snyder to approve the minutes of the August 13, 2024, meeting. Motion carried. John O'Connell abstained.**

### Executive Session

An executive session was held to discuss a personnel matter and potential litigation. Attorney Jill Nagy was present by phone to advise the Board on these matters.

### General Business

- 1. It was motioned by Snyder and seconded by Sollenberger to terminate, for cause, the bidding and construction services contract for CDM Smith and all general conditions that may apply for the agreement that was executed on January 11, 2022. It was further motioned to pay CDM Smith for work already performed. Included in this motion was approval for RETTEW Associates to perform construction and administrative services for the Miller Road pumping station expansion project for a budgetary estimate of \$88,575. Motion carried.**
- 2. It was motioned by Snyder and seconded by Sollenberger to approve a temporary addendum extending the original agreement between the Masonic Villages of the Grand Lodge and the Elizabethtown Regional Sewer Authority until December 31, 2024. Motion carried. This extension will allow sufficient time to negotiate a new agreement.**
- 3. It was motioned by Snyder and seconded by Sollenberger to conditionally approve the developer's agreement between Elizabethtown Regional Sewer Authority and Forino for the Bear Creek subdivision. Conditions are receipt of stamped plans and an improvement guarantee. Motion carried.**
- 4. It was motioned by Snyder and seconded by Sollenberger to approve a Costars quote for improvements to the Aberdeen pumping station in the amount of \$96,855. Motion carried.**
- 5. It was motioned by Snyder and seconded by Sollenberger to approve change order 1-4 for Miller Road expansion project in the amount of \$18,744.65 (credit for ERSA) for claims 1 and 2 against Blooming Glen Contractors. Motion carried.**

### Engineer Report

King provided a report for August:

- 1. Aberdeen Pumping Station- Pump failure – On 8/14/2024 RETTEW worked with Authority staff to complete drawdown testing of the existing pumps to confirm the hydraulic design point of the station.**

2. Utility Strike – Turnpike Road No 2 Force Main – A claim has been filed with PennDOT requesting reimbursement of the direct cost incurred as a result of the Utility Strike. The total reimbursement request amounts to \$4,128.68.
3. Miller Road Pumping Station Support – Updates since last meeting:
  - Mechanical piping in the wet well began
  - Masonry block of the control building has been completed, waiting for trusses
  - Discussions on the misalignment of pipe penetrations to the valve vault continue
  - The hatch for the comminutor was intended to be 30” x 30” but was constructed as 24” x 24”, creating issues for both the installation of the comminutor and its future operation and maintenance.
  - PPL work completed.

On 8/19/2024 CDM Smith issued their decision concerning Claim 1 and claim 2, determining the ERSA owes Blooming Glen a credit of \$18,744.65.
4. Schwanger Road Pump Station Evaluation -On 9/5/2024, RETTEW attended a pre-construction meeting with E.L Heim and ERSA staff to review project requirements. Work is being schedule and anticipated to be completed in the near future.
5. Turnpike Road No. 2 Pump Station Expansion – On 8/14/2024, RETTEW and Authority staff met with representatives from Masonic Village to discuss the previously provided hydraulic evaluation and the agreement concerning capacity in the private interceptor. Updates to the hydraulic evaluations are currently being made and will be reissued shortly. The design of the pump station is currently on hold until the agreement between Masonic and ERSA is finalized.
6. Greiner Industries – RETTEW reviewed the results from the wastewater sample analysis and found that total nitrogen levels were exceeding the permit limit, measuring 88 mg/L against the permitted limit of 40mg/L. On September 4, 2024, RETTEW issued a letter notifying of the deficiency and provided a new permit.
7. Development Plans/ Projects
  - Bear Creek Estates - RETTEW reviewed the Preliminary/Final Subdivision and Land Development plans for Bear Creek Estates and issued a response on 9/04/2024.
  - Bishop Woods Subdivision –ERSA staff provided a punch list to the developer on 8/28/2024. Upon completion of the punch list items Phase 1A,2 and 3 will be completed and eligible for dedication to the Authority.
  - Westmount Subdivision – RETTEW received Highway Occupancy Plans and a revised capacity request. Response was issued on 7/19/24.
  - Campus Road Subdivision – RETTEW received construction submittals for the pump station and collection system and issued a response to the contractor.

#### Treasurer Report

Shaffer discussed his summary report. He noted that ERSA has received developer contributions of \$434,812 which was unexpected. He also said that ERSA may have to cash in CD's/money market to pay November debt service payments.

**It was motioned by Snyder and seconded by Sollenberger to approve the Treasures report. Motion carried.**

#### Bills Payable

**It was motioned by Sollenberger and seconded by Snyder to approve the bills payable in the amount of \$443,919.51. Motion carried.**

#### Executive Session

No session held.

Meeting adjourned at 7:45pm.