

BOROUGH OF BUENA
MUNICIPAL UTILITIES AUTHORITY
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The regular meeting of the BBMUA was held on June 25, 2014 at 7 p.m. This meeting notice was provided to The Daily Journal and the Atlantic County Record which are the BBMUA's official newspapers. Notices are also posted on the bulletin boards within the Municipal Building as well as the Borough of Buena and BBMUA's websites. The meeting took place in the large meeting room located in the Municipal Building, Minotola.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman John Brunini.

Those present were:

J. Brunini	M. Feaster	Louis Geri - 491 N. Lincoln Ave.
R. Baker	C. Santore	Vineland, NJ
C. Mielke	A. Zorzi	Aldo Falasca – 255 Country Club Ln
F. Soto	M. Testa Jr. in at 7:03 pm	Buena, NJ
S. Woshnak	S. Testa	

Chairman Brunini deferred to the public portion of the meeting.

Mr. Louis Geri of 491 N. Lincoln Avenue, Vineland, NJ, owner of Sorrento Plaza was in attendance. Mr. Geri was requesting authorization to connect to the fire hydrant located at 366 E. Wheat Road for the purpose of irrigating 8 acres of farmland for the 2014 growing season only. The board informed Mr. Geri that we do not permit farmers to connect to fire hydrants. This would be extremely costly for him. It would also open him up to a huge liability if a fire started and the hydrant was needed to fight a fire. Fire hydrants are strictly for emergency use. The board did say that he would be allowed to connect into the water line as long as his consumption wasn't too large. He would need to file an application and come back before the board if he decides to tap into our line.

Also in attendance at tonight's meeting was Mr. Aldo Falasca of 255 Country Club Lane, Buena NJ. Mr. Falasca wanted to approach the board regarding a potential development he is looking into. Mr. Falasca is in the process of purchasing 12 acres on Wheat Road directly across from the Midway Plaza. Mr. Falasca's engineer is estimating an allocation of 5 EDU's for sewer and 3,000 gallons per day of water. Mr. Falasca is looking to get approval from the board to connect into water and sewer should his project come to fruition. The board is willing to allocate 20 water and sewer units to his potential project. Being the project is preliminary at this point the board conducted a straw vote and it was unanimous that the potential is there. Mr. Falasca will take this back to his engineer for further development planning of his potential project.

m/Baker s/Mielke adopt resolution R-15-2014 a resolution authorizing the employment of Mary Ann Chalow as a consultant for the BBMUA effective 7/1/14 through 6/30/15 for a total amount of \$5,000.00
m/passed

Alan Zorzi informed the board that the Delaware River Basin Authority water permit for well number 1 is coming up for renewal. Mr. Zorzi submitted this email reminder to Robert Smith of Remington, Vernick & Walberg who forwarded it Dennis Yoder to work up a proposal to complete the permit and submit it on behalf of the BBMUA.

Mr. Michael Testa of Testa, Heck, Scrocca & Testa informed the board that he reviewed the cell site lease renewal for AT&T and it appears to be fine. It begins at the current rate and increases every five years by a rate of 10% per five year term. The board needs to approve the initial agreement so that Mr. Ralph Cataldo will draw up a final lease agreement and send it over for approval and signatures. At that time we will have to adopt a resolution authorizing the acceptance of the lease.

Plant Superintendent, Alan Zorzi, wanted to discuss the issue that came about with the grease issue from the Chinese restaurant The Great Wall. Mr. Zorzi contacted Mr. Testa in regard to this matter. Mr. Zorzi was in contact with the plumbing inspector of Buena Vista Township and he told Mr. Zorzi to contact the board of health. Mr. Zorzi met the board of health out at the restaurant. He discovered that they do have two grease traps and they were being cleaned monthly but were unable to supply any records. Moving forward the Atlantic County Health Department is going to enforce the restaurant to keep records. The restaurant is going to clean the pump station bi-weekly instead of monthly and it has been pumped out completely and cleaned out. The BBMUA had Mr. Rooter clean and inspect that line and will perform regular maintenance by placing a degreaser once a week in that line. At this point Mr. Testa's recommendation is to obtain copies of the reports showing the line is cleaned bi-weekly. Mr. Testa will also write a letter to the Buena Vista Camping Park, Buena Discount Liquors who owns the building that houses the Chinese restaurant, and The Great Wall Chinese restaurant stating that they will be held responsible for any costs incurred with the grease clogging up our lines. A copy of the invoice from Mr. Rooter will accompany this letter.

Steve Testa of Romano, Hearing, Testa & Knorr informed the board that his firm is in the process of conducting the field work for the 2013 Audit. They are progressing nicely and should have something to present to the finance committee in the next few weeks.

m/Mielke s/Soto to accept the minutes of the last regular meeting held on June 11, 2014.
m/passed

Alan Zorzi, Plant Superintendent received a letter from John Delany of the State of NJ DEP Southern Bureau of Water Compliance and Enforcement regarding the Sanitary Survey conducted on April 25, 2014. There were no concerns found and everything is good on our water end.

A letter was received from Joseph Aiello of the State of New Jersey DEP Office of Quality Assurance regarding our 2014 Initial Water Pollution Proficiency Test. Our lab performed acceptably on all parameters that were required to be analyzed. Mr. Aiello provided a certificate and an annual certified parameter list that reflects our facilities current status based on this test.

A loss control report from the NJ Utility Authorities JIF survey conducted on May 27, 2014 was received. This was a recap of the previous survey. All conditions that were a concern with the MBR building during construction have been addressed and the conditions were found to be very good.

A letter was received from John Giordano of the State of NJ DEP Central Bureau of Water and Land Use Compliance and Enforcement regarding the compliance inspection conducted by John Delany on April 25, 2014. Our facility was in compliance with the applicable department regulations and permit conditions.

Every three years we do lead and copper testing throughout the town. The state uses a tier of homes that are most susceptible to lead and copper. It is a first draw sample that the homeowner has to take after flushing their lines the night before. This year we had three bad results out of twenty homes sampled. Mr. Zorzi spoke to the DEP and wants to have the samples invalidated. Mr. Zorzi has written a letter and provided back up from prior tests showing these homes have never had a problem in the past. Mr. Zorzi was given permission to resample these three homes. The only problem is if the samples are not invalidated we will be required to notify the public that there is lead and copper in the water. This is untrue because it is the plumbing in the home that is causing these invalid reads. We have 22 square miles of plastic mains and the Piney Point aquifer has a ph of 8.2 annually....therefore you cannot adjust that to offset the lead and copper. It had been admitted that the 3 homeowners they did not follow the instructions. Three new samples have been drawn and results should be back at the end of this week beginning of next. Mr. Zorzi will forward these results to the State and inform the board of the findings.

m/Baker s/Mielke to file all correspondence sent out for review without reading number 1 through number 9. m/passed

The next regular meeting will be held on July 9, 2014 at 7:00 p.m.

m/Mielke s/Woshnak to adjourn the meeting 7:51 p.m. m/passed

Submitted by
Cheryl Santore-BBMUA Secretary