# MINUTES OF THE FIRST REGULAR MEETING OF THE MONTH OF DECEMBER PERKASIE REGIONAL AUTHORITY MONDAY, DECEMBER 2, 2019

The first regular meeting of the month was convened in the Authority Office, 150 Ridge Road at 6:30 p.m. on December 2, 2019 by Chairman David Watt. Attending in addition to the Chairman were Board Members J. Thomas Horn, Stephen Algeo and David Bedillion. Absent with consent of the Board was Robert Wasson. Staff members present: Nicholas Fretz, Manager, Peter C. Andersen, Engineer and John N. Schaeffer, III, Esquire, Solicitor.

## **EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

The Chairman announced that the Board met in an executive session prior to the regular Board meeting to discuss real estate, but that no decisions were made.

### **MINUTES:**

Upon motion by Bedillion, seconded by Horn, the Minutes of the second meeting of November 19, 2019 were approved as written, with Algeo abstaining.

### **PUBLIC FORUM:**

a) 415 Race St., Perkasie, PA – Resident, Alice Burke, was in attendance to ask the Board for some sort of relief on the December 1<sup>st</sup> bill that was received. The bill was for 103,000 gallons totaling \$1,872.75. After some discussion, the Board advised her that the property owner had already been given the one-time customer credit for the sewer charges, so they were unable to offer that credit a second time. The Board did agree to give the customer a 12-month payment plan to pay this bill. The terms of the payment plan were that \$350.00 needed to be paid by 12/20/2019 and that the remaining balance could be paid in equal monthly installments of \$130.00 via a recurring credit card or recurring ACH draft.

See Official Board Action

b) 606 Arch St., Perkasie, PA – Property owner Jeff Gahman was requesting a one-time customer credit for sewer charges due to a leak at his properties at 602 and 606 Arch St. The Chairman explained that this would be a one-time credit for the sewer charges above and beyond his normal usage.

See Official Board Action

### **CORRESPONDENCE:**

a) Letter from PWTA regarding sale of capacity - The Board discussed the letter regarding HTWSA purchasing 50 EDUs of capacity at PWTA from the other member municipalities. The Board determined that they were not interested in selling any of its available capacity to HTWSA at this time and that the Manager would prepare a letter stating the same to send to PWTA.

# **MANAGER'S REPORT:**

a) Resolution 2019-10 – The Manager presented a draft resolution for the Board to consider charging a \$10.00 fee for all of the customers who refuse to replace the old manual read meters with radio transmitting meters. After some discussion, it was determined to table this resolution and the Board directed the Engineer to update the meter pit specifications on the Authority's website. The Board directed the Manager and Solicitor to draft something for the next meeting that would remove the \$10.00 fee, but would give the remaining, roughly 40 residents, twelve (12) months to either change their existing manual read meter to a radio transmitting meter, install a meter pit on their property at their expense, or have their water shut off until they are in compliance.

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# **MANAGER'S REPORT (CONTINUED):**

b) Draft Letter to PWTA – The Manager provided the Board with an updated draft letter to send to PWTA regarding the Inflow and Infiltration letter. The letter contained only the information that PWTA was requesting and the Board directed the Manager to send the letter.

Upon motion by Algeo, seconded by Horn, the Manager's Report was unanimously approved.

### **OFFICIAL BOARD ACTION:**

Upon motion by Watt, seconded by Horn, the Board unanimously approved to grant a 12-month payment plan for the property at 415 Race St. with \$350.00 due by 12/20/2019 and the balance due in monthly installments of \$130.00.

Upon motion by Watt, seconded by Bedillion, the Board unanimously approved to credit 606 Arch St. (account number 0319) in the amount of \$353.55 for the sewer charges due to a leak.

#### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS/NEW BUSINESS:**

None this meeting.

### **CHAIRMAN'S REMARKS:**

None this meeting.

### **PUBLIC FORUM II:**

None this meeting.

### **EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

None this meeting.

### **ADJOURN:**

There being no further business to come before the Board in the regular session and upon motion by Horn, seconded by Bedillion, the meeting was adjourned at 7:00 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Patricia Fluck, Recording Secretary
David Bedillion, Secretary