

**MEETING OF THE BOARD
THE WILKINSBURG-PENN JOINT WATER AUTHORITY
February 23, 2021**

ORDER OF BUSINESS

I Roll Call

II Pledge of Allegiance

III Public Comment Period

IV Approval of Meeting Minutes

Reorganizational Meeting Minutes January 26, 2021
Workshop Meeting Minutes of January 26, 2021
Regular Meeting Minutes of January 26, 2021

V Bills and Communications

Approval Change Order 1 Airbrake Avenue- Wilmerding
Letter from the Borough of Wilkinsburg reappointing Kathleen Rawlins

VI Report of Officers:

- Chairman
- Vice Chairman
- Secretary
- Treasurer

Ratification of expenditures from January 15, 2021 through February 12, 2021 in the amount of \$1,695,688.75 Electronic transfers have been included but are not reflective in the total. In addition, we will need authorization of expenditures through March 23, 2021.

VII Report of Committees

- Executive Committee
- Finance Committee
- Labor Committee
- Policy Committee
- Engineering Committee

VIII Consultants' Reports - Comments

- Consulting Engineer
- Solicitor

IX Report of Management

X Unfinished Business

XI New Business

XII Adjournment

THE WILKINSBURG-PENN JOINT WATER AUTHORITY
REPORT OF MANAGEMENT

February 23, 2021

- Approval to lift COVID-19 shutoff moratorium effective March 31, 2021.
- Approval of COVID-19 Payment Plan offer for delinquent accounts from March 16, 2020 to March 31, 2021. The proposed plan will not replace the current Authority's Rules Booklet- Rule 36 Payment Plans.
- Requesting authorization to award Contract 2021-001, Furnishing and Delivering Water Treatment Chemical-Polymer, to the lowest responsible bidder. Bid opening is scheduled for Friday, February 19, 2021.
- Requesting authorization to award Contract 2021-002, Furnishing and Delivering of Ductile Iron Pipe and Accessories. Bid opening is scheduled for Friday, Thursday, February 19, 2021.
- Authorization to approve Change Order 1, Contract 2020-14, Mainline Replacement Airbrake Avenue, Borough of Wilmerding, for a project increase of \$4,500.00. Change Order is for extra work to go around a high-pressure gas line. Additional work was order by the gas company.
- Authorization to request an extension of Consent Order and Agreement dated December 18 2019, with the PA Department of Environment Protection, permanently closing the existing alum feed tanks. The Authority is requesting an extension from June 30, 2021, to December 31, 2021.
- Authorization to prepare specification and bid Contract 2021-004, Fourth Street, in the Borough of Monroeville. Bid opening is scheduled for Thursday, March 18, 2021. Further, authorize the Executive Director to award said contract to the lowest responsible bidder. Action to be ratified at the March 23, 2021 Board Meeting.
- Authorize, the Executive Director, to award Contract 2020-18, Clugston Avenue Mainline Replacement, in the Township of Wilkins, to the lowest responsible bidder. Bid opening is scheduled for March 2, 2021. Action to be ratified at the March 23, 2021 Board Meeting.
- Allegheny League of Municipalities is considering rescheduling their 2021 Educational Conference for June 17-20th. More information to come.
- There have been a total of 64 breaks since our January 26, 2021 meeting.

WILKINSBURG PENN JOINT WATER AUTHORITY
FEBRUARY 23, 2021

ms consultants – MONTHLY ENGINEER’S REPORT

PENNVEST LEAD SERVICE LINE PROJECT

PENNVEST application was submitted on February 2, 2021. PENNVEST initially provided several comments on the application and all information was provided by the 12th. With some assistance from Board Members, we were able to obtain letters from every municipality supporting the project. These letters will permit lead service line work to be completed throughout the system. We have also heard through the grapevine that less than \$93 million was requested. We will not know for sure until the actual award announcements in late April.

KENMAWR BRIDGE REPLACEMENT (RANKIN BOROUGH)

No new issues. Water line work is not scheduled to start until spring 2021.

CONE VALVE REPLACEMENTS (NADINE PUMP STATION)

Cone valves were delivered to the site prior to the end of January. The problem is that they were delivered incorrectly and several gauges need replaced. We expect to receive an update on the replacement this week and hope to begin installation the week of February 22nd.

THIRD AVENUE WATER LINE REPLACEMENT (RANKIN)

All water line work has been completed. The contractor had demobilized and will be returning to complete paving and concrete work in March.

RAMSEY STORAGE BUILDING

In order to speed up the process, we have reached out to a Costars’ contractor for the building and installation. We are waiting for pricing.

ALUM STORAGE TANKS AT WATER TREATMENT PLANT

DEP issued the permit for the new alum tanks on February 11th. We are completing the bid documents and will be bidding shortly. We have also requested an extension of the June 30, 2021 deadline until December 31, 2021 and have received an initial favorable response. We are waiting for official confirmation.

FOURTH STREET WATER LINE (MONROEVILLE)

The project will be advertised on February 26, 2021. The estimated cost of the project is \$200,000. Bids will be available prior to the March Board meeting.

CLUGSTON WATER LINE REPLACEMENT (WILKINS AND TURTLE CREEK)

The project was advertised on February 12, 2021 and bids will be received by the TCVCOG on March 2, 2021.

WALL AVENUE WATER LINE REPLACEMENT (PITCAIRN)

The project will be advertised by the TCVCOG on March 5, 2021 with bids opening in late March.

BRINTON MANOR TANK REHABILITATION

The permit for the rehabilitation of the Brinton Manor Tank has been approved by DEP. The detailed evaluation performed by a third party was received in late January. The project is expected to cost \$750,000.

NADINE PUMP STATION MOTOR AND VFD

A site meeting occurred with vendors for both motors and VFDs to discuss options for the new VFD. Due to the large size (12' L, x 4' W x 10' H), it was decided to install the VFD outside of the building. The VFD can be designed for outside installation. The proposed location will require a new bulletproof enclosure to protect the \$400,000 equipment from gun fire. We are proposing a brick or split-faced block wall on the two sides facing the street. The windows of the existing building are bullet proof due to past incidents. We expect to be able to bid this project in April.