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MINUTES DALLAS AREA MUNICIPAL AUTHORITY August 8, 2019

The Regular Board meeting of the Dallas Area Municipal Authority was held at 7:00 P.M. on August 8, 2019 at the DAMA Administration Building.

Board Members present: John Oliver, Tim Carroll, Ryan Doughton, Brent Snowdon and James Reino.

Other Officials present: Attorney Benjamin R. Jones, III, DAMA Solicitor, Tom Keiper, Ryan Longfoot, Tom Mayka and Brent Berger of Quad Three Group.

On a motion by Mr. Snowdon, seconded by Mr. Reino and approved with all in favor of the July 11, 2019 Regular Meeting minutes were approved as submitted.

Treasurer's Report

Mr. Snowdon submitted the wastewater division invoices totaling \$639,130.57 for approval. Following a brief discussion about the wastewater division check register, a motion was made by Mr. Snowdon, seconded by Mr. Doughton, and passed on a unanimous roll call vote to pay the wastewater division invoices.

Mr. Snowdon submitted the solid waste division invoices totaling \$108,783.71 for approval. Following a brief discussion about the solid waste division check register, a motion was made by Mr. Snowdon, seconded by Mr. Carroll, and passed on a unanimous roll call vote to pay the solid waste division invoices.

Mr. Snowdon submitted the stormwater division invoices totaling \$20,862.91 for approval. Following a brief discussion about the stormwater division check register, a motion was made by Mr. Snowdon, seconded by Mr. Doughton, and passed on a unanimous roll call vote to pay the stormwater division invoices.

Mr. Snowdon and Mr. Keiper discussed the split expense sheet, bank account balance and the profit/loss budget versus actual statements.

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Executive Director's Report

Mr. Keiper gave an update on Recycling. Currently, the rate for recycling is currently \$52 a ton and \$50 a ton for landfill. Mr. Keiper stated Senator Yudichak held a meeting to discuss options. One option is to form an authority to operate the recycling operation thus eliminating the profit after tax requirement of a private company. A second option is to eliminate some of the more costly items from the recycling stream. For instance, glass has a cost of \$35 per ton to recycle in addition to the \$75 per ton separation fee making glass a \$110 per ton expense. A decision should be made before the end of the year so any changes can be made public with the first quarter billing.

Engineer's Report

Mr. Berger reported the resolution for the task activity report was adopted and passed by all three municipalities which is a requirement of the consent decree. It needs to be signed by the secretary and myself. A motion was made by Mr. Carroll, seconded by Mr. Reino and passed on a unanimous roll call vote to approve the Act 37 Sewage Facility Plan Task Activity Report.

Mr. Berger reported the groundwater monitoring wells are completed; we will be receiving his log of all the drillings in the future.

Mr. Berger reported the lateral televising portion is complete and 225 laterals were finished. We have 92 of the reports and videos in our hands. We should be receiving the remainder of them within the week.

Solicitor's Report

Attorney Jones reported it was uneventful month, the usual lien satisfactions were filed. The sheriff sale was conducted on August 2, 2019 and there were about eight properties that DAMA had liens on that were sold back to the banks holding the mortgage. Attorney Jones stated he doesn't understand why it takes so long for us as lien holder to get our money from the sheriff sale.

Attorney Jones reported there's an issue with the title to the real estate up the road where the sign has been located. We are having a hard time finding out who's property it is.

Old Business

Mr. Keiper requested permission to put a new MSW truck on order. A motion was made by Mr. Doughton, seconded by Mr. Snowdon, and passed on a unanimous roll call vote to order a new MSW truck.

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New Business

Mr. Keiper reported we have spent the \$10,000 on engineering for the GIS. He stated we would like another \$10,000 to complete the GIS project. A motion was made by Mr. Snowdon, seconded by Mr. Doughton and passed on a unanimous roll call vote to spend \$10,000 to complete the GIS project.

Supervisor's Report

Mr. Keiper reported for Mr. Hann in his absence. Mr. Hann has taken some photos of the right of ways that have been neglected and are being cleared to have access for manhole and line maintenance. A four wheel drive off road vehicle was rented to gain access to rights of way. If this method of performing maintenance in inaccessible rights of way proves successful, a vehicle should be purchased as renting is very expensive.

Mr. Longfoot reported the electronics recycling event will be on Saturday August 10, 2019 from 10am to 2pm at the Solid Waste Division site on State Route 118.

Mr. Mayka reported that Dallas Township, Dallas Borough and Kingston Township received their stormwater permit from DEP, so the five years to reduce sediment and nutrients begins as of August 1, 2019.

With no other business to come before the board the meeting was adjourned with a demonstration on the GIS to follow.

Respectfully submitted,

Ryan Doughton, Secretary

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