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**MINUTES  
DALLAS AREA MUNICIPAL AUTHORITY  
March 14, 2019**

**The Regular Board meeting of the Dallas Area Municipal Authority was held at 7:00 P.M. on March 14, 2019 at the DAMA Administration Building.**

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

**Other officials present: Tom Keiper, Ed Hann, Ryan Longfoot, Tom Mayka, Susan Lee & Brent Berger of Quad Three Group.**

**Mr. Oliver opened the meeting with a roll call. There were no Public Comments.**

**On a motion by Mr. Doughton, seconded by Mr. Barrett and approved with all in favor of the February 14, 2019 Regular Meeting minutes were approved as submitted.**

**Treasurer's Report**

**Mr. Snowdon submitted the wastewater division invoices totaling \$231,738.08 for approval. Following a brief discussion about the wastewater division check registers, a motion was made by Mr. Snowdon, seconded by Mr. Barrett, and passed on a unanimous roll call vote to pay the wastewater division invoices.**

**Mr. Snowdon submitted the solid waste division invoices totaling \$49,172.35 for approval. Following a brief discussion about the solid waste division check registers, a motion was made by Mr. Snowdon, seconded by Mr. Reino, and passed on a unanimous roll call vote to pay the solid waste division invoices.**

**Mr. Snowdon submitted the stormwater division invoices totaling \$53,699.81 for approval. Following a brief discussion about the stormwater division check registers, a motion was made by Mr. Snowdon, seconded by Mr. Carroll, and passed on a unanimous roll call vote to pay the stormwater division invoices.**

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

**DAMA Committee Report**

**Mr. Barrett recommended we use a system to do background checks on new hires. After a discussion, there was a motion on the floor that subject to personnel committee's approval,**

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that Jack Dennis will be hired as a full-time loader. After the motion was on the floor, it was passed on a unanimous roll call vote to hire Jack Dennis as full-time loader pending approval from Mr. Barrett.

**Executive Director's Report**

Mr. Keiper reported since the last meeting, the latest number of sump pump inspections found 16 sump pumps connected to the sewer out of 83. There are so many sump pumps connected to the sewer system that the system is being overwhelmed with millions of gallons of water per day.

**Engineer's Report**

Mr. Berger reported he had two notice of awards, one for the lateral televising and grouting and the other one for the monitoring wells, that need to be signed. The lateral bid was originally for 400 laterals, the contractor has agreed to do fewer laterals than in the bid specifications at the same cost per lateral. This is being done to decrease the overall cost and also to allow better analysis of the effectiveness of lateral grouting versus manhole repair. After a lengthy discussion regarding laterals and sump pumps, it was decided to have an executive session after the regular to discuss the pending litigation with Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection.

**Solicitor's Report**

Mr. Keiper reported nothing was sent over from Attorney Benjamin Jones for the meeting.

**New Business**

Mr. Keiper reported he and Mr. Mayka had reviewed the report from T and M Associates regarding the implementation of a GIS for DAMA. The proposals seem to be more than what DAMA needs and not exactly fitted to what the goals for the system should be. John Balewski from Mackin Engineers prepared a proposal to help DAMA initiate the GIS and begin to find the disconnects in the DAMA sewer drawings. They will also recommend which software to buy and help with the installation. They will help keep the system updated and have a backup of the data.. The proposal is to start the process and continue in increments. The first portion of the project will cost \$10,000 versus \$40,000 for the minimum proposed by T and M. the proposal was accepted on a motion by Mr. Carroll, seconded by Mr. Barrett and a unanimous roll call vote.

Mr. Keiper reported the grants for the municipal solid waste loaders have been approved. Mr. Longfoot stated they that prices have increased since the grant was submitted and new

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**prices are not available yet. After a brief discussion, it was decided that a final choice of which loaders to buy would be made in April when the final prices are available.**

**Supervisor's Report**

**Mr. Hann reported he had nothing to report for this meeting.**

**Mr. Longfoot reported on traveling to Sussex County, New Jersey to view at a foam recycler. The machine receives Styrofoam and increases it's density and decreases it's volume to about 10% of the original volume. The product is then marketable as a material for manufacturing moldings. This machine may be worth investing in as Styrofoam goes to the landfill now and it takes up considerable space. We would be diverting it from the landfill and giving it a use. After a brief discussion, Mr. Longfoot stated he would do more investigating on the machine.**

**Mr. Mayka reported 82% of the stormwater customers have paid their bill for at least the first quarter. He stated they have been discussing projects with the municipalities along with prices per pound of pollution. Mr. Mayka stated for the record and make it clear that DAMA is not in the business of constructing playgrounds just because the projects are combined with the playgrounds.**

**With no other business to come before the board the meeting was adjourned at 7:38 P.M. and going to an Executive Session.**

**Respectfully Submitted,**



**Ryan Doughton, Secretary  
Dallas Area Municipal Authority**