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The regular meeting of the Cleona Borough Authority was held via Zoom on the above date. Members attending were Sue Bowman, Matt Ditzler, Ashlea Good, Bryan Hoffman and Les Powell. Also attending were Scott Rights, Steckbeck Engineering; Amy Leonard, Solicitor; and Jonathan Johnson, Borough Manager.

The meeting was called to order at 7:31 p.m. by Chairman Hoffman

APPROVAL OF MINUTES, TREASURER'S REPORT AND BILLS:

Motion by Mr. Ditzler to approve the January 8, 2025, meeting minutes, seconded by Ms. Good. Motion carried.

Motion by Ms. Bowman to approve the January 2025 Treasurer's report, seconded by Mr. Ditzler. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Ditzler, seconded by Ms. Good, to pay the bills for the months of January 2025. Motion carried.

CITIZENS COMMENTS: No citizens logged into the meeting.

ENGINEER'S REPORT: Scott Rights

Dairy Road Stormwater Project: Mr. Rights said he worked with Ms. Leonard to finalize the property easements. After the easement agreements are signed and returned, the project will be ready to bid. Mr. Rights noted the owner of 145 Dairy Road contacted him about connecting to the City of Lebanon Authority (COLA) water system; he will pass this request along to COLA.

South Christian Street Project: Mr. Rights reported he has sent information to the four property owners about the easements and included maps and drawings. He was contacted by Chris Bower (220 S. Christian St.) about removing a tree in his yard that will be within 10 feet of the storm water pipe. After board discussion, it was agreed Bower should be given the choice of CBA removing the tree and replacing it with a similar tree in a different location, or if the tree is not removed, but dies within a year after construction, the contractor must replace the tree.

Streambank Erosion: Mr. Rights was contacted by Dan Brickley (212 S. Christian St.) about streambank erosion. After board discussion, it was agreed that stream bank erosion was not CBA's responsibility, since streambanks erode naturally, and additional land owned by others would be needed to achieve erosion prevention. Also, the regulations for storm water management are changing, causing uncertainty as to what the new regulations will prioritize.

Chapter 94 Annual Report: Chapter 94 Annual Report was reviewed by Mr. Rights, noting that the Authority's current capacity is neither overloaded nor underutilized. **Ms. Bowman made a motion to approve the Chapter 94 Annual Report's submission, seconded by Mr. Ditzler. Motion carried.**

North Cornwall Township Dairy Rd. Pump Station: NCT presented a Memorandum of Understanding spelling out what CBA owes and the related payment schedule. The MOU specifies that CBA will make

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four bi-annual payments of \$33,766.73 each, plus a final payment for change orders and construction inspection costs. CBA's share of the basic cost will be \$135,066.93, or 3.38 percent of the project's \$3,996,063 total cost, minus the \$1 million ARPA Grant. Because the Agreement was delivered after the March meeting agenda was posted, CBA members will vote on this agreement at the April 2 meeting. Mr. Rights pointed out that the MOU does not include provisions for on-going maintenance of the NCT pump stations. Mr. Hoffman asked for the Cleona-N. Cornwall Intermunicipal agreement to be modified to include these future maintenance costs, based on CBA's 3.38 percent.

New MS4 Permit Requirements: No discussion.

PUMP STATION REPORT: Les Powell

Mr. Powell said that an inspection of the pumps showed the impellers and wear plates need to be replaced. **Ms. Good made a motion to approve a quote of \$4,823.60 from Envirep, Inc. to replace these parts, seconded by Ms. Bowman. The motion carried.** CBA members also agreed to request Annville Township to clean the pumping station's wet well at a cost of \$250 per hour. Mr. Powell discussed the manhole cover on the first block of West Walnut Street in need of repair.

SECRETARY'S REPORT: Jonathan Johnson

See attached report.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT: Amy Leonard

Ms. Leonard said that the Dairy Road and South Christian Street easement agreements are ready to be sent. **Mr. Powell made a motion to send the agreements, seconded by Ms. Good. The motion carried.**

NEW BUSINESS: None

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: The stormwater box in the 100 Block of South Mill Street needs to be replaced, and the adjoining pipes may need to be slip-lined. **Ms. Bowman made a motion for Mr. Rights to obtain price quotes for these repairs, Mr. Ditzler seconded. The motion carried.** Mr. Hoffman suggested that this project be rolled into the Dairy Road and/or South Christian Street projects.

ADJOURNMENT:

With no further business to discuss, **Ms. Good made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:36 p.m.**

Respectfully submitted,
Jonathan Johnson