

LEBANON BOROUGH SEWERAGE AUTHORITY

MINUTES

September 19, 2024

The meeting of the LEBANON BOROUGH SEWERAGE AUTHORITY was called to order by Richard Burton at 7:30 PM.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Richard Burton, Greg Crawford, Edward Cichone, Glen Chandler

Also present: Jim Hill – Liberty Environmental, Laura Atwell – BKC, Joseph Novak – Novak and Novak, and Secretary Anita Weingart

The meeting was convened in compliance with the OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT of 1975.

APPROVE MINUTES

Mr. Cichone moved, and Mr. Crawford seconded the motion to approve the Aug. 15, 2024, minutes with the amendment. All Ayes: Motion Carried

PUBLIC COMMENTS – There were no public comments

ENGINEER'S REPORT

Mr. Hill's report is on file.

Flow - Mr. Hill reported flows are good with the drier weather.

Easement - Predator easement, possibly next meeting for approval on one day of work.

Smoke test - Jim will ask RLSA to contribute to smoke testing on the RLSA line.

John is working on the smoke test report 12 leaks/problems. Mr. Hill estimates needing 1 more day of smoke testing to complete the Borough at a reduced rate.

MH90 – Mr. Hill will pull meter when things are settled.

EXPENDITURES

Mr. Crawford moved; Mr. Chandler seconded the motion to approve September 2024 expenditures as listed below. Roll Call Vote: Crawford, Cichone, Chandler, Burton. All Ayes: Motion Carried

<u>GENERAL ACCT:</u>				SEPTEMBER 2024	Check#
24-085	PAYROLL ACCT	PAYROLL	\$3,136.65	EFT	
24-086	RLSA	WASTE WATER TREATMENT	\$38,464.95	1228	
24-087	LEBANON BOROUGH	LEASE	\$1,300.00	1229	
24-088	R&L DATACENTERS	INV# 113175	\$98.90	1230	
24-089	ONE CALL CONCEPTS	INV# 4085383	\$11.44	1231	
24-090	NOVAK & NOVAK	RETAINER SEPT 2024	\$4,333.33	1232	
24-091	LIBERTY ENV.	INV# 1456	\$7,039.17	1233	
24-092	ANITA WEINGART TOBY BARKMAN	MOBILE PH. - JUL -SEPT	\$300.00	1234	
24-093	EXCAVATING	INV# 11592 WINDOW, STAMPED	\$2,871.86	1235	
24-094	STAMP FULFILLMENT	ENVELOPES	\$905.20	1236	
TOTAL			\$58,461.50		
<u>ESCROW ACCT:</u>					TD BANK
TOC - WATER	LIBERTY ENVIRONMENTAL	INV# 1423	\$1,265.00	1532	
		TOTAL	\$1,265.00		

FINANCIAL REPORTS – Aug. (bank statements), Sept. financial reports 2024

Mr. Cichone moved; Mr. Crawford seconded the motion to acknowledge the financial reports and bank statements.

Roll Call Vote: Crawford, Cichone, Chandler, Burton. All Ayes: Motion Carried

RLSA

Mr. Burton reported that RLSA continues to work on pricing out the plant with understanding the Borough maximum needed with COAH and event.

MISCELLANEOUS/In Progress:

- Contracts in need of approval: Liberty Environmental/LBSA and Tobin Barkman Excavating/LBSA
Mr. Cichone moved, Mr. Crawford seconded the motion to accept the Tobin Barkman Excavating/LBSA on file with LBSA. Roll Call Vote: Cichone, Chandler, Crawford, Burton. All Ayes: Motion Carried.
- **Mr. Cichone moved, Mr. Crawford seconded the motion to accept the Liberty Environmental/LBSA contract subject to Mr. Hill removing the words in parentheses in the first paragraph, first page of the Liberty Environmental contract latest version. Roll Call Vote: Cichone, Chandler, Crawford, Burton. All Ayes: Motion Carried.**
- Review of Liberty Environmental special project bills from Jan-Aug of 2024. Board members reviewed the invoices and determined updates need to be made on Feb/Mar and Mar/Apr. The special project rates are billed at the 2023 rate.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Litigation Lebanon Cheese Company; Carden Properties of NJ; J&S Properties LLC and Joseph Lotito vs. LBSA

Mr. Chandler moved, Mr. Cichone seconded the motion to enter closed session. All Ayes: Motion Carried.

RE-ENTER PUBLIC SESSION:

Mr. Chandler moved; Mr. Cichone seconded the motion to re-enter public session. All Ayes: Motion Carried.

Mr. Novak recommended that LBSA file a countersuit against Lebanon Cheese Company; Carden Properties of NJ; J&S Properties LLC and Joseph Lotito in the sum of _\$59,103.00_ plus any additional costs through the date of the countersuit as plaintiffs.

Mr. Crawford moved; Mr. Chandler seconded the motion to file a countersuit as outlined above. Roll Call Vote: Chandler, Cichone, Crawford, Burton. All Ayes: Motion Carried.

ADJOURN

**Mr. Crawford moved; and Mr. Chandler seconded the motion to adjourn. All Ayes:
Motion Carried.**

Respectfully submitted by,

Anita Weingart,

Secretary/Treasurer

CERTIFICATION: I hereby certify these to be true and correct copies of minutes as approved by
the Commissioners at the meeting of ____9/19/2024____.

____Anita Weingart, Secretary/Treasurer____