

**BETHEL TOWNSHIP MUNICIPAL AUTHORITY  
MINUTES  
AUGUST 28, 2007**

The special meeting of the Bethel Township Municipal Authority was called to order by Chairman David Younker at 7:00 p.m. on August 28, 2007 at the Bethel Township Equipment Building.

All members were present along with Solicitor Terry Parish, Darlene Orendo, Secretary and Frank Leber, Bond Counsel.

Frank Leber presented an overview of all the documents that were prepared by his office regarding a loan and escrow agreement with the First National Bank of Fredericksburg and Penn Vest.

A motion was made by Rufus Geesaman to adopt Resolution # 2007-10 to approve the guaranty loan. Second by Harold Gruber. All agreed. Motion carried.

A second motion was made by Kevin Stupp to adopt Resolution #2007-11 to approve the loan agreement. Motion seconded by Carl Weaver. All agreed. Motion carried.

Frank also presented a new revised timeline he prepared to keep the board on task until the PennVest settlement. The drop dead date for settlement and closing with PennVest is January 17, 2008. He stressed to members that the bid documents have to meet all the criteria for PennVest and PENNWORKS and need to be blessed by both agencies. Frank stressed this to John Roche of Fisher Engineering. He also mentioned that he would prefer the bid documents be opened before PennVest's fall board meeting. They are the only ones that can give us an extension.

Solicitor Parish then informed the board of an engineering problem due to a personnel issue with Fisher Engineering. All members were advised that John Roche will be terminating his employment with Fisher Engineering as of September 14, 2007 and starting his own firm as of September 15. Members expressed several concerns they had with the work that is required before that time to meet the timeline. Solicitor Parish also expressed his concerns to the board over the easements that must be completed. Discussion was held among members concerning this issue.

A motion was made by Carl Weaver to designate John Roche individually as Project Manager with a billing rate not to exceed \$88/ per hour. Designate Andrew Gaul of Fisher Engineer as Project Engineer. Second by Harold Gruber. All approved. Motion carried. Members also stated that they expect full cooperation from Fisher Engineering and expect access to BTMA's information and Fisher Engineering's files to complete the project.

The secretary was asked to check to see if the Community Center would be available if we would need to change our scheduled meeting for October.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Rufus Geesaman made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:00 pm. Second by Kevin Stupp. All agreed. Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted

Darlene M. Orendo