# BANGOR BOROUGH AUTHORITY MEETING HELD AT 197 PENNSYLVANIA AVENUE, BANGOR, PA

### **MINUTES**

FEBRUARY 23, 2023-7:00PM

### CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE TO FLAG

### **ROLL CALL**

#### **Members Present:**

Barry Schweitzer Robert Engle

James Kresge

Brian Berger

Robert Rhodes

### **Others Present:**

Stanley J. Margle – Solicitor John Tressler, P.E., LVL Engineering Stephen Reider – Borough Manager

### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

A **MOTION** to approve the minutes dated January 26, 2023, was made by Rhodes, seconded by Berger. All were in favor, **MOTION** carried.

### **ACTION ITEMS:**

*Roseto Borough* – Solicitor Margle stated that there are no updates. Will be discussed in Executive Session.

872 Lower South Main Street – Manager Reider stated that the appraisal has not been received.

Bangor Borough Authority Users Notice – Manager Reider stated that Mike Gable prepared an educational notice in 2019 and he is requesting that these notices be sent to the residents that explain the sewer system, illegal downspouts and sump pump connections into the sewer. A **MOTION** was made by Kresge, seconded by Berger to approve Manager Reider updating the notice to be included in the Bangor Borough Newsletter. All were in favor, **MOTION** carried.

Chairperson Schweitzer mentioned that he had questions and proposals on the Authority fee schedule regarding commercial user rates. Further discussion will be held during Executive Session.

#### **SOLICITOR'S REPORT:**

Solicitor Margle reported that he contacted Attorney Sabatine regarding the confirmed date for the buyer's closing on a half an acre parcel of property (Smith-Wilbert) next the WWTP for \$7,500. A **MOTION** was made by Engle, seconded by Berger to authorize the execution of the deed and any other documents necessary to convey title to that parcel of land. All were in favor, **MOTION** carried.

### **ENGINEERING REPORT:**

Corrective Action Plan – Tressler reported that LVL Engineering is recommending that they begin to prepare bid documents for video inspections on the South side of Bangor, to the east side of Martin's Creek where they believe is the bulk area of Bangor's Inflow and Infiltration issues. A **MOTION** was made by Kresge, seconded by Rhodes to approve preparation and execution of the bid documents at a cost of \$5,000. All were in favor, **MOTION** carried.

WWTP Control Building and Digester Building Roof — Tressler reported LVL Engineering is recommending that they prepare bid specifications and place the project on Penn BID to obtain competitive bids for this work. Manager Reider stated that he has contacted Gordian for a quote and once that is received a decision will be made.

### **EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

A **MOTION** to go into Executive Session to discuss legal matters with potential action to follow was made by Kresge, seconded by Berger. All were in favor, **MOTION** carried.

Open session was re-entered. Real/potential litigation was discussed, which is permitted under the Sunshine Act as an exempt meeting topic.

A **MOTION** was made by Berger, seconded by Rhodes to recommend to Borough Council that the Bangor Borough Authority terminate merger discussions with Roseto Borough Sewer Authority and notification be sent to the Borough of Roseto and the Roseto Borough Sewer Authority stating that they are in breach of contract and that the Bangor Borough Authority will be pursuing any available rights and remedies under the law and the current agreement that the entities are operating under. All were in favor, **MOTION** carried.

A **MOTION** was made by Engle, seconded by Berger to review the fee schedule, and make a determination if it is appropriate to modify rates for bulk and commercial users. All were in favor, **MOTION** carried.

## **ADJOURNMENT:**

A **MOTION** to adjourn was made by Engle, seconded by Berger. All were in favor, **MOTION** carried. The Bangor Borough Authority Meeting adjourned at 8:31 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted, Tracy Palmer, Administrative Secretary