



Luzerne County Flood Protection Authority

300 Laird Street, Suite #A-1

Wilkes-Barre, PA 18702

Minutes

July 20, 2021 Regular Session

Call to Order

On July 20, 2021 at 1:00 P.M., the Luzerne County Flood Protection Authority Board convened their regular monthly meeting at the Luzerne County Flood Protection Authority Administrative Offices, 300 Laird Street Suite A-1 Wilkes-Barre. It was noted that all meetings are electronically recorded.

Mr. Yannuzzi, Chairman, called to order the July 20, 2021 meeting.

Pledge of Allegiance and Moment of Silence

Present

Mr. Dominic Yannuzzi, P.E., Chairman

Mr. William Hardwick

Mr. Richard Adams

Mr. Gordon Dussinger- Absent

Mr. John Maday

Also Present

Christopher Belleman, P.E., LCFPA Executive Director

Christopher Slusser, Esq., LCFPA Solicitor

Laura Holbrook, LCFPA Mitigation & Outreach Specialist

Deana Prochaska, LCFPA Administrative Assistant (Recording Secretary)

Eric Mark, Reporter, Citizens Voice

Public Input

Mr. Adams would like to note for the record that Mr. Dussinger has a series of medical appointments scheduled throughout the year, that cannot be rescheduled. He would like him to be excused from attending the July 20th BOD meeting.

Regular Meeting

Motion was made to ratify the minutes of the Authority meeting held on June 15, 2021.

On the question:

Motion by: Mr. Maday

Second by: Mr. Yannuzzi

Motion passed by a vote of 4-0. "AYES" – YANNUZZI, HARDWICK, ADAMS, MADAY.

LCFPA Activities/Projects

- A. Staff Activities/Project
- B. Board Activities/Project

Bills and Communications

Motion was made to approve the payment of the bills as presented.

Motion by: Mr. Maday

Second by: Mr. Hardwick

Motion passed by a vote of 4-0. "AYES" – YANNUZZI, HARDWICK, ADAMS, MADAY.

Report of the Treasurer

Motion was made to submit the report of the Treasurer into the record as stated.

Motion by: Mr. Adams

Second by: Mr. Maday

Motion passed by a vote of 4-0. "AYES" – YANNUZZI, HARDWICK, ADAMS, MADAY.

New Business

2021 Levee Fee Collections Update.

Letter of Recognition to Russell Kratz, retired Levee Maintenance Technician, for his 20 years of service to the Luzerne County Flood Protection Authority.

Motion was made to request permission from the proper officials to hire Rayleen Evans, 459 Buckwheat Road, Monroe Township, PA as a Levee Maintenance Technician at a starting salary of \$29,000. The retirement of Russell Kratz created a vacancy in the Authority's roster of technicians.

Motion by: Mr. Hardwick

Second by: Mr. Yannuzzi

Motion passed by a vote of 4-0. "AYES"- YANNUZZI, HARDWICK, ADAMS, MADAY.

Motion was made to accept the PEC Grant awarded for LCFPA Levee Trail Amenities Enhancement Project.

Motion by: Mr. Hardwick

Second by: Mr. Maday

Motion passed by a vote of 4-0. "AYES"- YANNUZZI, HARDWICK, ADAMS, MADAY.

Motion was made to request permission from the proper officials to forward to Duryea for review and comment an amended "*Intergovernmental Cooperation Agreement Draft between the Luzerne County Flood Protection Authority and the Borough of Duryea*" before the document is placed before the Authority Board for an approval vote.

Motion by: Mr. Yannuzzi

Second by: Mr. Hardwick

Motion passed by a Roll Call Vote of 3-1. 'AYES' – YANNUZZI, HARDWICK, MADAY. 'NAYS'- ADAMS

Request permission from the proper officials to approve Amendment No. 7 to the Luzerne County Flood Protection Authority's "Personnel Policy Handbook". This proposed amendment contains maternity leave language. Motion was made to table this request until August 17th BOD Meeting The Executive Director was requested to obtain pricing information on short term disability coverage.

Motion by: Mr. Yannuzzi

Second by: Mr. Hardwick

Motion passed by a vote of 4-0. "AYES" – YANNUZZI, HARDWICK, ADAMS, MADAY.

Motion was made to request permission from the proper officials to approve the proposal submitted by ENX2 Marketing, 3824 Yalick Plaza, Dallas, PA for 'Website Development (Redesign and Launch) & Social Media Campaign' for the amount of \$8,500.00.

Motion by: Mr. Maday

Second by: Mr. Yannuzzi

Motion passed by a vote of 4-0. "AYES" – YANNUZZI, HARDWICK, ADAMS, MADAY.

On the question: Mr. Adams questioned if we are experiencing a high-water event or crisis, how fast can we get that information on the new website? Laura Holbrook stated that per information provided by ENX2, any post we request will be posted within 3-72 hours. However in an emergency situation they will give us access to the site to be able to post content immediately. Mr. Adams stated it should be included/written in our agreement with the company.

The Board met in executive session after the July Board Meeting for discussions on real estate and contracts.

Next Regular Meeting

August 17, 2021 at 1:00p.m.

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Adjourn

Motion was made to adjourn the July 20, 2021 meeting of the Luzerne County Flood Protection Authority Board.

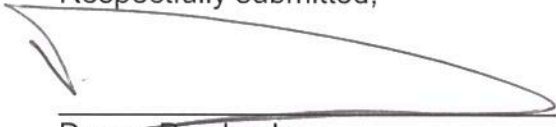
Motion by: Mr. Hardwick

Second by: Mr. Maday

Motion passed by a vote of 4-0. "AYES" – YANNUZZI, HARDWICK, ADAMS, MADAY.

Meeting adjourned at 1:50 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,


Deana Prochaska
Recording Secretary