



**MINUTES**  
**THE REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING OF THE**  
**BOROUGH OF DORMONT STORMWATER AUTHORITY**  
**HELD ON WEDNESDAY JULY 20, 2022 6:00PM**

**IN PERSON (COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 1444 HILLSDALE AVENUE)**  
**AND VIRTUAL MEETING VIA ZOOM**

**Call to Order:** Meeting called to order by Gary Klimowicz, Chairman, at 6:00pm.

**Pledge of Allegiance** was recited by all present.

**Roll Call:** The following members of the Board were in attendance:

Gary Klimowicz, Chairman  
James Mastronie, Secretary  
Jennifer Nolan-Kremm, Board Member (Virtual via Zoom)  
Renee Heldman, Board Member

Not Present: Frank Stumpo, Treasurer

Also Present: Alexis Wheeler, Solicitor – SMGG  
Deborah Grass, Authority Manager  
Tricia Levander, Finance Officer  
John Heyl, Engineer- LSSE

Members of the Public Present: Helen Ortiz, Helen A. Sims, Mya Henderson, moto g power (via Zoom)

**Comments from the Chairman:** The Chairman acknowledged that the Kelton Avenue restoration project looks great. He also commented on the installation of the new rain garden and he would like to discuss the maintenance of it in the future.

**Comments from the Public:** None.

**Treasurers Report:** In the absence of the Treasurer, the Chairman read the Treasurers Report into the record noting that there were current collections from Jordan in the amount of \$2,182.91 for the month of May and delinquent collections in the amount of \$1,311.80; there were no credits; the balance in the Operating Account as of May 31 was \$591,931.03; and the balance in the Money Market account was \$150,117.54. Jordan has collected 82.4% of the amount billed on January 15,

2022. The July bill list is included in the Board packet in the amount of \$76,326.57 and the budget to actual report for the month ending June 30, 2022 is included in the Board packet. The Manager stated that she and Tricia have had a discussion with PNC about the analysis fee and there is no movement expected from the corporate office. They will reach out to other depositories to see if there are better solutions for the Authority.

**Engineer's Report:** John Heyl reported that the outfall screening is ongoing. LSSE submitted two grants for the Authority and are working with the Manager and DCED to resolve any additional requests for clarification or information. The rain garden is complete and Partial Payment No. 1 is on the agenda for payment this evening. Restoration of the Athens Alley project is complete and inlets have been installed and final restoration work is ongoing on Louisiana Avenue. There has been a complaint about the concrete work. Construction plans for Piedmont Avenue are ongoing in anticipation of a possible grant award from the LSA funding opportunity.

**Solicitor's Report:** The Solicitor had no report but will provide guidance for the Board in Executive Session on potential litigation.

**Manager Report:** Deborah Grass reported that the 2021 audit is complete and the advertisement has been placed in the PPG. Much of the activity in June was focused on the coordination and presentations for the June 25 workshop. The Authority received the new lien list and the Manager will scan and make copies for the Solicitor. Grass noted that she sent pictures of the completed rain garden and recommends that the Authority contact an experienced landscape company to maintain the rain garden so that it continues to look attractive and serve the stormwater purposes. She would also like to design an informational storyboard sign to install so that residents can learn more about the rain garden installation and the types of plants that are necessary. There was a consensus of the Board for the Manager to move forward with these items. The Manager has also contacted the Authority's auditor Maher Duessel for quotes for the compliance audits that are required for the GEDTF grants close outs.

**Committee Reports:**

*Finance & Legal-* The audit was advertised and submitted to DCED by the June 30 deadline.

*Education & Outreach-* Chairman Klimowicz noted that the summer workshop was very well done and thanked the presenters, Roxanne Swan from Audobon and Greg Null from Hillsdale Avenue. He felt that the presentations were great and noted that they are available on the website for viewing by residents. The Manager reminded the Board that there is a joint Board-Council meeting scheduled for Monday, July 25 at 6pm for MS4 training. This is a requirement of our MS4 permit and helps us to meet compliance requirements.

**Consent Agenda:**

Motion by Klimowicz, second by Nolan-Kremm to approve the consent agenda for June:

- a. Meeting Minutes for June 15, 2022
- b. Bill List – July 20, 2022
- c. Treasurer's Report – July 2022
- d. Engineer's Report – July 2022
- e. Manager's Report – July 2022
- f. Payment to Solicitor in the amount of \$ 1,157.27

- g. Payment to Engineer in the amount of \$ 8,847.63
- h. Payment for Management Services in the amount of \$ 4,435.11

Public Comment: None

Motion Carried 4-0

**Action Items:**

Motion by Mastronie, second by Heldman to authorize partial payment to Ramsey Construction in the amount of \$44,563.50 for work completed on the rain garden at the W. Liberty (Krug) Parking lot as recommended by the Engineer.

Public Comment: None

Motion Carried 4-0

Motion by Klimowicz, second by Heldman to authorize payment in the amount of \$1,425 to MRM Property and Liability Trust for the renewal of the Authority's general liability commercial package insurance effective August 1.

Public Comment: None

Motion Carried 4-0

Motion by Nolan-Kremm, second by Klimowicz to authorize payment in the amount of \$1,650 to Professional Governmental Underwriters, LLC for the renewal of the Authority's public officials liability insurance effective July 1.

Public Comment: None

Motion Carried 4-0

Motion by Mastronie, second by Heldman to authorize final payment in the amount of \$1,802.72 to Maher Duessel for preparation and submission of the Authority's 2021 audit.

Public Comment: None

Motion Carried 4-0

Motion by Klimowicz, second by Nolan-Kremm to authorize the Manager to purchase gift cards for the presenters at the summer workshop and also to Audobon.

Public Comment: None

Motion Carried 4-0

**Discussion Items:**

Grass reported that the Borough will be appointing members to the Parks Planning Committee for the Parks Master Site Plan project and the Board should be represented if possible. Jennifer Nolan-Kremm stated that she would like to be appointed. Grass will provide that information to the Borough and Nolan-Kremm will have to go on-line to fill out the application.

Grass also reported that the state budget included \$320 million from ARPA for water and sewer projects through grant programs.

**Comments from the Public:** None

**Adjournment:** There being no further business of the Authority, the meeting was adjourned to Executive Session at 6:50pm to address potential litigation issues with the Solicitor.