



**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING OF THE
BOROUGH OF DORMONT STORMWATER AUTHORITY
HELD ON WEDNESDAY NOVEMBER 15, 2023 6:00 PM**

**DORMONT MUNICIPAL BUILDING - 1444 HILLSDALE AVENUE
DORMONT COUNCIL CHAMBERS
WITH VIRTUAL MEETING VIA ZOOM (Optional)**

Call to Order: Meeting called to order by Frank Stumpo, Chairperson at 6:04pm.

Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all present.

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

Present: Frank Stumpo, Chairperson
James Mastronie, Vice-Chairperson
Jennifer Nolan-Kremm, Treasurer
Rosey Kipp, Board Member
James Olchowski, Board Member

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

Members of the Public Present: None

Comments from the Chairman: Chairman Stumpo welcomed James Olchowski to the Board.

Comments from the Public: None

Treasurers Report: Treasurer Jennifer Nolan-Kremm reported that current collections for the month of October were \$15,616.69; delinquent collections were \$2,200.35; the balance in the P L G I T Operating Account as of October 31 was \$811,732.67. The bill list is in the amount of \$26,047.76. The total collection rate through October 31 is 87%. Interest income with PLGIT is now over \$31,000.

Engineer's Report: John Heyl, LSSE, reported that the Piedmont Avenue project is well underway. Heyl stated that Phase 2 of the project is being prepared for bidding and will be bid in February of 2024. This phase will focus on Latonia Avenue. Surveys are completed for the Espy Avenue rain garden project and utility companies will be notified. The LSA grant requesting funds for the Dormont Park TMDL grant will be submitted by November 30. The GEDTF grant requesting additional funds for the TMDL project has already been submitted.

Solicitor Report: The Solicitor had no report at this time.

Manager's Report: Grass reported that the focus this month was on the residential tree planting that will take place over the next several days. Work has been coordinated between Eisler Nursey and Urban Plantscapes – holes will be dug and then trees planted at the residential locations. We have obtained hold harmless agreements from the property owners. The Finance Committee met earlier this month and the budget was prepared and has been distributed and will be reviewed this evening and recommended for adoption.

Committee Reports:

Finance & Legal- The Chair of the Committee, Jennifer Nolan-Kremm, reviewed the proposed 2024 budget and the 2024-2028 capital plan in great detail and took questions from the Board.

Education & Outreach – The winter newsletter has been submitted to the Borough and the Manager is working on the annual report as an insert to the 2024 stormwater billing.

Consent Agenda:

Motion by Stumpo, second by Mastronie to approve the consent agenda:

- A. Meeting Minutes - October 18, 2023
 - B. Finance Committee Meeting Minutes - November 1, 2023
 - C. Bill List – November 2023
 - D. Treasurer’s Report – November 2023
 - E. Engineer’s Report – November 2023
 - F. Manager’s Report – November 2023
 - G. Payment – Invoices from Solicitor (November)
 - H. Payment – Invoices from Engineer (November)
 - I. Payment – Invoices from Manager (November)
- Comments: None
Motion Approved: 5-0

Action Items:

- A. Motion by Stumpo, second by Nolan-Kremm to adopt Resolution No. 2023-3 requesting \$500,000 for the Dormont Park TMDL project through the statewide Local Share Account (LSA) program through the Commonwealth financing Authority.
Comments: None
Motion Approved: 5-0
- B. Motion by Stumpo, second by Kipp to approve payment in the amount of \$3,008.28 to Eisler Nurseries for the purchase of trees under the residential tree planting program.
Comments: None
Motion Approved: 5-0
- C. Motion by Mastronie, second by Nolan-Kremm to approve payment to Urban Plantscapes in the amount of \$3,211.00 (less down payment of \$1,605.50) for the preparation and installation of trees under the residential tree planting program.
Comments: None
Motion Approved: 5-0

D. Motion by Nolan-Kremm, second by Stumpo to authorize LSSE to prepare bid documents for the Piedmont Avenue – Phase 2 project (stormceptor installation and stormwater improvements) under the GEDTF 2020-170 grant.

Comments: None

Motion Approved: 5-0

E. Motion by Nolan-Kremm, second by Mastronie to adopt the 2024 Operating budget and Capital Plan as presented.

Comments: None

Motion Approved: 5-0

F. Motion by Stumpo, second by Kipp to approve a rain garden credit for Marc Ford at 2953 Espy Avenue.

Comments: None

Motion Approved: 5-0

Discussion Items:

There was a consensus to cancel the December meeting. Happy Holidays to all.

Comments from the Public – None

Adjournment: The Board members adjourned at 6:55pm.