



**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING OF THE  
BOROUGH OF DORMONT STORMWATER AUTHORITY  
HELD ON WEDNESDAY JANUARY 17, 2024 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 the Solicitor, Alexis Wheeler, at 6:05pm.

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

**Present:** James Mastronie, Vice-Chairperson (Virtual)  
Rosey Kipp, Board Member (Virtual)  
James Olchowski, Board Member (Virtual)

**Also Present:** Deborah Grass – Manager (Virtual)  
Tricia Levander – Finance Officer, On-Site  
Alexis Wheeler – Solicitor (Virtual)  
John Heyl, Engineer- LSSE (Virtual)

**Members of the Public Present:** None

**Comments from the Solicitor:** The Solicitor announced that, in the absence of the Chairperson, she will conduct the meeting.

Motion by Kipp, second by Mastronie to postpone the annual election of officers until the next regular Board meeting.

Public Comments - None

Motion Carried – 3-0

**Comments from the Public:** None

**Treasurers Report:** The Solicitor reported that current collections for the month of December were \$17,859.36; delinquent collections were \$2,148.67; the balance in the P L G I T Operating Account as of December 31 was \$802,631.55. The bill list is in the amount of \$10,053.00. The total collection rate through December 31 is 92.4%. Interest income with PLGIT is now over \$38,000.

**Engineer's Report:** John Heyl, LSSE, reported that Add Alternate Nol 2 and Add Alternate No. 3 for the Piedmont Avenue project have been completed and a partial payment request has been submitted for the amount of \$94,491. Draft plans were reviewed with the Board for Piedmont Avenue Phase 2 and for the Espy Avenue Rain Garden. The Advertisement will be prepared for a bid opening in February. The LSA grant requesting funds for the Dormont Park TMDL grant was submitted November 30. The GEDTF grant

requesting additional funds for the TMDL project has already been submitted. The MS4 DEP inspection is scheduled for January 30. The Engineer is coordinating with the Borough for the 2024 road paving projects and may recommend storm sewer work on Texas Avenue between Elyria Alley and Mississippi Avenue. There are also 2 inlets on Key Avenue that should be replaced.

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

**Manager's Report:** Grass reported that the 2024 budget, capital plan, and meeting schedule have been published. The Authority was notified that they have received a Small Water and Sewer grant in the amount of \$200,000 for the TMDL project at Dormont Park and in the process of contracting. She will coordinate with the Borough Manager to have a meeting with the new Council members to bring them up to date. There is an action item on the agenda to authorize the Engineer to prepare the specifications and advertisement for the TMDL project. She is coordinating activities with the Borough for the DEP inspection scheduled for January 30. The team began to prepare financials for the annual audit.

**Committee Reports:**

*Finance & Legal- No Report*

*Education & Outreach – No Report*

**Consent Agenda:**

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

- A. Meeting Minutes – November 15, 2023
- B. Bill List – January 2024
- C. Treasurer’s Report – January 2024
- D. Engineer’s Report – January 2024
- E. Manager’s Report – January 2024
- F. Payment – Invoices from Solicitor (January 2024)
- G. Payment – Invoices from Engineer (January 2024)
- H. Payment – Invoices from Manager (January 2024)

Public Comments: None

Motion Approved: 3-0

**Action Items:**

- A. Motion by Mastronie, second by Kipp to approve partial payment in the amount of \$94,491.00 to Niando Construction, Inc. for work completed on the Piedmont Avenue Phase 1 project as recommended by the Engineer.

Comments: None

Motion Approved: 3-0

- B. Motion Mastronie, second by Olchowski to authorize advertisement for bid proposals for Piedmont Avenue Phase 2 to include stormwater improvements on Latonia Avenue.

Comments: None

Motion Approved: 3-0

- C. Motion by Kipp, second by Mastronie to authorize advertisement to take proposals for the Espy Avenue Rain Garden.

Comments: None

Motion Approved: 3-0

- D. Motion by Kipp, second by Mastronie to authorize the preparation of advertisement and bid documents for the TMDL Dormont Park Project.

Comments: None

Motion Approved: 3-0

**Discussion Items:**

The Manager emphasized the importance of the MS4 DEP inspection scheduled for January 30. She will work with the Borough's public works department to ensure good housekeeping at the salt pile and the public works garage.

**Comments from the Public** – None

**Adjournment:** Motion by Mastronie, second by Kipp to adjourn the meeting at 6:42pm.