



**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING OF THE
BOROUGH OF DORMONT STORMWATER AUTHORITY
HELD ON WEDNESDAY OCTOBER 16, 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 Chairperson Jennifer Nolan-Kremm at 6:00pm.

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

Present: Jennifer Nolan-Kremm – Chairperson
Frank Stumpo – Vice-Chairperson
James Mastronie - Treasurer
Rosey Kipp, Secretary

Absent: James Olchowski, Board Member

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

Comments from the Chairperson: Chairperson Nolan-Kremm thanked everyone who worked at the street and music festival – it was a great day and the crowds were great.

Comments from the Public: None

Members of the Public Present: None

Treasurers Report: Treasurer James Mastronie reported that current collections for the month of September were \$3,881.33; delinquent collections were \$2,835.32; the balance in the P L G I T Operating Account as of September 30 was \$721,648.40. The bill list is in the amount of \$15,946.97. The total collection rate through August 31 is 83.6%. Interest income with PLGIT through September 30 is \$32,607.70.

Engineer's Report: John Heyl, LSSE, reported that the revised layout for the Dormont Park TMDL advertisement for the Authority will be provided in November – LSSE is working with the manufacturer on a revised layout. Close out and final payment is recommended for the Piedmont Avenue projects. A payment request is recommended for the Espy Rain Garden project – the project will not be completed until 2025. A pre-construction meeting for the catch basin project was held and work will begin the soon. LSA grants from 2023 should be announced soon – the 2024 application for Phase 2 of the Dormont Park TMDL project will be submitted in November.

Comments from the Solicitor: The Solicitor had no report.

Manager Report: Grass and Tricia prepared material, set up, and attended the street and music festival which was a huge success. Grass reported that the coordination for the tree planting program is ongoing – Grass, Jim and Tricia met with Brian Crooks from W. PA Conservancy on October 2 to visit all 23 locations for tree requests. Grass attended the pre-construction meeting on September 30 for catch basin project. Closed out GEDTF grant – reimbursement received and deposited.

Committee Reports:

Finance & Legal – a budget meeting is scheduled for October 23 - Board members are welcome to attend the meeting.

Education & Outreach – update residential tree program, winter newsletter was submitted

Consent Agenda:

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

- A. Meeting Minutes – September 18, 2024
- B. Bill List – October 2024
- C. Treasurer’s Report – October 2024
- D. Engineer’s Report – October 2024
- E. Manager’s Report – October 2024
- F. Payment – Invoice from Solicitor October 2024
- G. Payment – Invoices from Engineer October 2024
- H. Payment – Invoice from Manager October 2024

Public Comments: None

Motion Approved: 4-0

Action Items:

- A. Motion by Stumpo, second by Mastronie to approve Change Order No. 2 for Piedmont Avenue Phase 1 project, decreasing the total contract price by \$29,939.60 to reflect the final in-place quantities.
Public Comments: None
Motion Approved: 4-0
- B. Motion by Stumpo, second by Mastronie to approve final payment in the amount of \$136,429.80 to Niando Construction, Inc. for work completed on the Piedmont Avenue Phase 1 project as recommended by the Authority Engineer.
Public Comments: None
Motion Approved: 4-0
- C. Motion by Mastronie, second by Kipp to approve Change Order No. 1 for Piedmont Avenue Phase 2 project, decreasing the total contract price by \$62,423.00 to reflect the final in-place quantities.
Public Comments: None
Motion Approved: 4-0

- D. Motion to by Kipp, second by Mastronie to approve final payment in the amount of \$49,669.50 to Niando Construction, Inc. for work completed on the Piedmont Avenue Phase 2 project as recommended by the Authority Engineer.
Public Comments: None
Motion Approved: 4-0
- E. Motion by Stumpo, second by Mastronie to authorize partial payment No. 2 in the amount of \$7,439.19 to All Phase 2 for work completed on the Espy Avenue Rain Garden as recommended by the Authority Engineer.
Public Comments: None
Motion Approved: 4-0
- F. Motion by Kipp, second by Mastronie to authorize 50% down payment to Eisler Nurseries for trees for the residential tree program not to exceed \$3750.
Public Comments: None
Motion Approved: 4-0
- G. Motion by Mastronie, second by Kipp to authorize 50% down payment to Urban Plantscapes for labor and material for tree planting for the residential tree program not to exceed \$3500.
Public Comments: None
Motion Approved: 4-0
- H. Motion by Kipp, second by Mastronie to adopt Resolution No. 2024-3 authorizing the submission of the grant application for the statewide Local Share Account (LSA) program.
Public Comments: None
Motion Approved: 4-0

Discussion Items:

The maintenance quote from Urban Plantscapes was postponed until 2025 – the contractor is responsible for maintenance through the Spring. This item will be considered for June of 2025.

Grass reminded Board members that the 3RWW conference is scheduled for November 6-7. If Board members wish to attend, please contact her.

Comments from the Public – None

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 6.55pm.