

MINUTES
New Holland Borough Authority
October 19, 2021

The New Holland Borough Authority met in regular session on Tuesday, October 19, 2021 at 8:30 a.m. All members were present: Chairman Robert P. Johnson via phone, Vice-Chairman Michael H. Kurtz, Treasurer Jack E. Schnader, Assistant Secretary/Treasurer Ernest Orr and Lino J. Vescovich. Others present were Authority Manager/Recording Secretary J. Richard Fulcher, Borough Wastewater Department Supervisor Tina Myers, Borough Water Department Supervisor Jesse Kern and water consultant Jeff Bologna of Becker Engineering.

Vice-Chairman Kurtz opened the meeting, asking for action on the Minutes of the prior meeting.

Lino Vescovich made the motion that the Minutes of the Authority's meeting of April 20, 2021, be approved as distributed. This was seconded by Jack Schnader and passed.

Wastewater Department Supervisor Myers then provided a number of operational updates to the members. She reported that the two new items under the updated NPDES Permit received in April 2021 have been keeping them busy. The first is the new limit, .007 overage for a month, for cyanide. It tested over the .007 limit at times during June and July. The in-house test only goes to .005 but that is close enough to create concern. Depending on continuing testing results, additional formal testing can be required. The first step is called a Toxic Identification Evaluation Study, which then leads to a Toxic Reduction Evaluation and Remediation plan.

The second item is known as the Effluent Toxicity Testing, also simply called the "Wet Tests". This is the one which checks for the impacts on minnows and the less visible Daphnia in the stream. This has been discussed before over the years. The September test showed no problem with the minnows but did negatively impact the Daphnia. If it fails its next scheduled test which is required to be done within 45 days, which is scheduled to be done in early November, the Toxic plans process as mentioned concerning cyanide will then come into play for this also.

Member Schnader inquired what Supervisor Myers felt may be the cause of the cyanide occurrences.

Supervisor Myers stated it is not a concern with Tyson as their process waste goes to their own plant and she does not think the Fleur de Lait food process would involve cyanide. Both Fleur de Lait and CNH are holders of Discharge Permits with requirements from the Borough. The Permit for CNH will be modified to require testing for cyanide monthly instead of the current semi-annually.

Water consultant Jeff Bologa then reviewed the current construction status of the new well. The contractors are working on the things they can while waiting for the delivery of various equipment which has been delayed beyond their control. There are three similar Change Orders recommended to approve concerning this delay. There is also an additional Change Order for Contract 3. This involves the concern that stormwater will drain through proposed and existing utility trenches and pond within the proposed propane tank excavation causing the tank to float and damage the tank and all associated piping. To mitigate this concern concrete anchor blocks and hardware will be used to negate any buoyancy concerns. Based on observation of excavated trenches and stormwater flow during construction, Becker Engineering recommends that the additional concrete anchor blocks and straps be installed to alleviate potential damage to this tank.

Jack Schnader then made the motion that proposed Change Order #2 for Contract 3 with Garden Spot Mechanical at an additional cost of \$4,027 be approved as revised and recommended by the engineer. This was seconded by Lino Vescovich and approved.

<u>Contract</u>	<u>CO#</u>	<u>Item</u>	<u>Amount</u>
3 (G.S. Mech)	2	Reinforce base of propane tank concrete	+\$4,027

Lino Vescovich then made the motion that Change Orders be approved for all three Contracts, extending the Substantial Completion Date for the work to: February 2, 2022, from September 15, 2021; and the Final Completion Date from October 18, 2021 to March 8, 2022. He noted there is no cost impact with these and as a miscellaneous, the Agenda missed noting all three contracts. This was seconded by Jack Schnader and passed.

<u>Contract</u>	<u>CO#</u>	<u>Item</u>	<u>Amount</u>
1 (Walabax)	3	Completion Date Extension	N/C
2 (GS Elec)	3	Completion Date Extension	N/C
3 (GS Mech)	3	Completion Date Extension	N/C

Ernie Orr made the motion that the bills be paid as prepared. This was seconded by Jack Schnader and passed. The bills were:

Walabax Construction Contract 1, AFP#10	\$290,397.36 Ck#1544
Garden Spot Electric Contract 2, AFP#3	\$65,700.00 Ck#1545
Garden Spot Mechanical Contract 3, AFP#3	\$7,380.00 Ck#1546
Walabax Construction Contract 1, AFP#11	\$138,750.60 Ck#1547
Garden Spot Electric Contract 2, AFP#4	\$86,310.00 Ck#1548
Garden Spot Mechanical Contract 3, AFP#4	\$14,040.00 Ck#1549
Becker Engineering Attend Authority Meeting	\$120.00 Ck#1550
Walabax Construction Contract 1, AFP#12	\$124,903.15 Ck#1551
Becker Engineering Sewer Question asked by Authority Member	\$60.00 Ck#488
Showcase Group, Inc. Sewer Line Repair Project	\$3,790.00 Ck#489

There being no further business or public comment, the meeting was adjourned at 8:52 a.m.

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Date Approved