

**GLENDALE VALLEY MUNICIPAL AUTHORITY
REGULAR MEETING
MARCH 24, 2015**

Tom Roles, vice chairman, calls the Regular Meeting of the Glendale Valley Municipal Authority to order at 7:00PM. The meeting began with the pledge of alliance to the flag of the United States of America.

Those present included GVMA board members Thomas Hollis, Thomas Roles, Thurman Keifer, and Rick Gates. James Krause was absent. Also present were David Cunningham – Keller Engineers, Bill Barbin-Solicitor, and Lisa McMurray-recording secretary, and several citizens from the Townships.

Rick Gates made a motion to approve the Agenda for the Regular Meeting. Thurman Keifer seconded the motion. A vote was taken. All board members present voted aye. Motion passed.

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Floor Opened for Public Comment on Agenda Items-NONE

Approval of Minutes

- A. Tom Hollis made a motion to approve the minutes from the February 24, 2015 meeting. Thurman Keifer seconded the motion. A vote was taken. All board members present voted aye. Motion passed.

Engineer's Report

- B. Rick Gates made a motion to approve the Engineer's Report. Thurman Keifer seconded the motion. A vote was taken. All board members present voted aye. Motion passed.

Manager's Report

- A. Tom Hollis made a motion to approve the Manager's Report. Rick Gates seconded the motion. A vote was taken. All board members present voted aye. Motion passed.

Operator's Report

- A. Thurman Keifer made a motion to approve the Operator's Report. Rick Gates seconded the motion. A vote was taken. All board members present voted aye. Motion passed.

Old Business

- A. At 7:30 p.m. Tom Hollis made a motion to enter into executive session to discuss legal matters. Rick Gates seconded the motion. A vote was taken. All board members present voted aye. Motion passed.
- B. At 8:10 p.m. Rick Gates made a motion to exit executive session. Thurman Keifer seconded the motion. A vote was taken. All board members present voted aye. Motion passed.
- C. Rick Gates made a motion to reimburse Reade Township for the cost of their sewage enforcement officer to inspect the Todd Stanley property located at 971 Skyline Drive, Blandburg. Thurman Keifer seconded the motion. A vote was taken. Tom Hollis abstained because he is a Reade Township supervisor. All other board members present voted aye. Motion passed.

New Business

- A. Tom Hollis made a motion to instruct the solicitor to send a letter to Reade Township Municipal Authority accepting their offer of a water rate of \$4.93/1000 gallons with conditions. Rick Gates seconded the motion. A vote was taken. All board members present voted aye. Motion passed.
- B. A motion to approve Glendale Yearound's sewer tap fee rate of \$1,500.00 and water tap fee rate of \$1,000.00 beginning July 1, 2015 was tabled. The board needs more information.
- C. Tom Hollis made a motion to appoint Thurman Keifer as the GVMA Board secretary. Rick Gates seconded the motion. Thurman Keifer abstained. A vote was taken. All other board members present voted aye. Motion passed.
- D. Tom Hollis made a motion to approve March receipts in the amount of \$191,967.16 and disbursements in the amount of \$187,577.01. Rick Gates seconded the motion. A vote was taken. All board members present voted aye. Motion passed.
- E. Thurman Keifer made a motion to approve the February Treasurer's Report showing a balance of \$130,437.11. Rick Gates seconded the motion. A vote was taken. All board members present vote aye. Motion passed.
- F. Tom Hollis made a motion to approve Requisition #W7 in the amount of \$72,000.00. Thurman Keifer seconded the motion. Tom Roles abstained due to his employment with Keller Engineer's. All other board members voted aye. Motion passed.
- G. Rick Gates made a motion to approve Requisition #S7 in the amount of \$105,660.45. Tom Hollis seconded the motion. Tom Roles abstained due to his employment with Keller Engineer's. A vote was taken. All board members present voted aye. Motion passed.
- H. Rick Gates made a motion to approve Pennvest reimbursement request #W3 in the amount of \$73,150.00. Tom Hollis seconded the motion. Tom Roles abstained due to his employment with Keller Engineer's. A vote was taken. All board members present voted aye. Motion passed.
- I. Rick Gates made a motion to approve Pennvest reimbursement request #S2 in the approximate amount of \$105056.66. Tom Hollis seconded the motion. Tom Roles abstained due to his employment with Keller Engineer's. A vote was taken. Tom Roles abstained. All other board members present voted aye. Motion passed.
- J. Tom Hollis made a motion to authorize the Keller Engineers to develop a plan for the rehabilitation to the Glendale Yearound water system to alleviate the frozen lines. Rick Gates seconded the motion. Tom Roles abstained due to his employment with Keller Engineers. All other board members present voted aye. Motion passed.
- K. Tom Hollis made a motion to authorize the solicitor to file injunctions for the five customers with the highest amount owing. Rick Gates seconded the motion. A vote was taken. All board members present voted aye. Motion passed.

General Public Comment

- A. Barry Myers, a Glendale Yearound property owner with no water due to our frozen line. He said what we've done to help is unacceptable. He is concerned about the environment and wasting water. He asked if the temporary lines are clean. He said we have not provided him with enough water.
- B. Jim Luther asked when we are going to force people on the Reade/White system to connect. He said it's not fair to the people that are connected and paying.
- C. Dave Downs asked about the curb stop at his property that was damaged when Mazucca's went through there during construction. He then said he'd drop it until the next meeting.

- D. Christian Gohn asked about a statement made in a response to a right-to-know request. He asked where it states in our meeting minutes that all water/sewer tap installations will be inspected beginning 1/1/15.

Rick Gates made a motion that all new water & sewer connections in Glendale Yearound are inspected, the same as in the Reade/White system, retroactive to January 1, 2015. Thurman Keifer seconded the motion. A vote was taken. All board members present voted aye. Motion passed.

- E. Marylou Walker stated that we are connecting to the Reade Water system too soon. We shouldn't pay for water until we find the leaks in the Glendale Yearound water system. She has concerns about the recent RTMA boil water notice. She stated that we should combine rate districts now. She said that campsite owners can't afford any rate increases.
- F. Kathleen Davis, a Glendale Yearound resident with no water due to the frozen lines asked when the problem will be corrected. She wanted to know why we can't dig up and fix the frozen lines now.
- G. John Krise said we are flipping back & forth regarding inspections inside Glendale Yearound.
- H. Hal Weston said he saw red spots in his pond in December. The pond then froze, but now that it is starting to thaw, he is seeing red in the pond again. He is not asking for any tests or anything right now, but if it continues to be a problem, he will let us know.
- I. Nathan Lechene, a Glendale Yearound resident with no water due to the frozen lines appreciates GVMA's efforts for correcting the problems long term. He asked if there is a point where we will dig up and thaw the lines if they don't get their water back soon.

Tom Hollis made a motion to adjourn the GVMA board meeting at 9:15 PM. Thurman Keifer seconded the motion. All board members present voted aye. Motion passed.

April meeting – April 28, 2015, at the White Twp/GVMA Municipal building at 7:00 PM.

Lisa McMurray, Office Manager