A meeting of the Board of Directors of the Municipal Authority of the Borough of Portage was held on Thursday, October 6, 2016, at 7:00 p.m., in the Conference Room at 606 Cambria Street.

Those in attendance were:

Dave Miorelli, Vice-Chairman Mark Castel John Gartland Jerome Yetsko

Also present were: Ron Cadwallader, Superintendent; Attorney William Barbin, Solicitor; Joe Beyer, The EADS Group; Mike Barton, Forester.

I. CALL TO ORDER

Mr. Miorelli, Vice-Chairman, called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m., which was followed by the Pledge of Allegiance and Roll Call.

II. RECOGNITION OF GUESTS

There were no guests present.

III. CORRESPONDENCE

Mr. Miorelli shared the following correspondence received:

- Thank you card from the Miorelli family. Mr. Miorelli expressed his thanks and appreciation to the Board and Water Authority employees for the compassion he received by way of flowers and sympathy cards during the recent loss of his brother.
- REA Energy Cooperative, Inc. Annual Meeting which was held on September 29 at the Kovalchick Convention Complex at IUP.
- PMRS Pre-Retirement Seminar. Mr. Cadwallader informed the Board that this is the registration for some representatives of the Authority to attend this conference to obtain information regarding the current retirement plan. It is being held on Saturday, October 29 in Clarion. Everyone attending will be using their own vehicles.
- Mr. Cadwallader commented that a letter was also received from the Game Commission offering a reduced license to hunt on the Authority's property (\$4.70; 80 or more contiguous acres and a public access program). In addition, the Game Commission is offering the Authority free tree seedlings. Mr. Cadwallader will share this information with Mr. Barton to determine what quantities to order if the Board is interested. Mr. Beck can also be contacted relative to the use of the school students to plant the seedlings. Mr. Miorelli questioned if the tubes for the seedlings would be supplied, to which Mr. Cadwallader replied negatively, pointing out that we do have extra tubes left from the last planting. Mr. Barton commented that this is worth looking into. Mr. Castel questioned if the fruit trees are planted in clusters, to which Mr. Barton replied affirmatively.

IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

ON MOTION OF MR. YETSKO, SECONDED BY MR. GARTLAND, THE BOARD UNANIMOUSLY AGREED TO DISPENSE WITH THE READING OF THE SEPTEMBER 1, 2016 MINUTES BEING THAT THEY WERE DISTRIBUTED IN WRITTEN FORM AND UNANIMOUSLY ACCEPTED THE MINUTES AS PRESENTED. BOARD MEMBERS VOTING AFFIRMATIVELY INCLUDED MR. MIORELLI, MR. CASTEL, MR. GARTLAND AND MR. YETSKO.

V. <u>AGENT'S EXPENDITURES</u>

No Agent's expenditures to be presented.

VI. <u>INVOICES</u>

Cambria Mailing Services, Inc. CMPA Country Hearts & Flowers Environmental Service Laboratories, Inc. FWF Insurance Agency, Inc. Groff Tractor & Equipment John Gartland L/B Water Services, Inc. Link Computer Corporation Mark Castel Mary L Elchin New Enterprise Stone & Lime Co Inc. Peoples Natural Gas Co Portage Auto Parts Portage Post Office Portage Service Center Ray Oil & Gas Co RDM – Johnstown LLC Ronald J Cadwallader, Jr Sharon Squillario Stager's Store Stephen F. Koval Truck Trailer Parts, Inc. Verizon Wireless Visa – 1st Summit WB Mason Co. Inc.	\$ 76.82 1,000.00 50.00 200.00 2,195.00 2,195.00 4,599.75 99.00 50.00 144.00 1,126.56 18.20 19.98 141.00 549.95 269.01 836.00 20.00 50.00 227.70 50.00 227.70 50.00 22.69 140.50 366.28 279.00
	\$12,583.56

Paid Bills

Comcast	\$ 290.92
Highmark Blue Shield	7,312.08
James Kunrod	100.00
National Road Utility Supply Inc.	182.81
PA Once Call System, Inc.	50.30
PA Rural Water Association	85.00
Penelec	1,591.26
Peoples Natural Gas Company	17.64
REA Energy Cooperative, Inc.	868.19
Allegheny Supply	29.90
Cintas	61.28
Kaza Fire Equipment, LLC	83.76
L/B Water Service, Inc.	342.73
Lowes	167.38
Pro Disposals, Inc.	142.00
Verizon	439.73

WB Mason Co Inc.	188.50
Aflac	226.22
Andrew Gruse	100.00
Bonita Miller	100.00
Chelsea Fallier	100.00
Lisa Sinclair	100.00
Sheetz Fleet Service	147.20
	\$12,726.90

ON MOTION OF MR. GARTLAND, SECONDED BY MR. CASTEL, THE BOARD UNANIMOUSLY AGREED TO ACCEPT AND PAY INVOICES IN THE AMOUNT OF \$50,766.37 (REGULAR BILLS, \$12,583.56; PAID BILLS, \$12,726.90; PennVEST, \$3,896.36 AND \$5,508.55; USDA, \$16,051.00). BOARD MEMBERS VOTING AFFIRMATIVELY INCLUDED MR. MIORELLI, MR. CASTEL, MR. GARTLAND AND MR. YETSKO.

VII. TREASURER'S REPORT

ON MOTION OF MR. YETSKO, SECONDED BY MR. GARTLAND, THE BOARD UNANIMOUSLY AGREED TO DISPENSE WITH THE READING OF THE SEPTEMBER 2016 TREASURER'S REPORT AS IT WAS PREVIOUSLY DISTRIBUTED IN WRITTEN FORM AND UNANIMOUSLY ACCEPTED THE REPORT WITH A BALANCE OF: BEGINNING CASH, \$1,480,290.43; CASH IN, \$215,588.95; CASH OUT, (\$197,461.04); ADJUSTMENT (INTEREST/MISC.), \$0; ENDING CASH, \$1,498,418.34. BOARD MEMBERS VOTING AFFIRMATIVELY INCLUDED MR. MIORELLI, MR. CASTEL, MR. GARTLAND AND MR. YETSKO.

VIII. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Mr. Miorelli noted that Mr. Cadwallader's report was distributed to the Board members prior to the meeting; and he asked the Board if there were any questions regarding the report.

Mr. Cadwallader apprised the Board that one of the Authority employees has been successful in being placed on the transplant list (unknown when the transplant will take place). He pointed out that the Authority currently does not have a policy for FMLA; however, the employee is asking if some type of leave policy could be considered for this situation. Attorney Barbin pointed out that the Board could agree to provide unpaid leave of absence to employees for up to one year in the event of a medical emergency. Mr. Yetsko questioned if this would be for just this employee, to which Attorney Barbin replied that it would be a policy that the Board would adopt for all employees. Attorney Barbin explained that the Authority is not mandated to take this action; however, it is a fair and honorable policy to adopt and follow. The Authority is smaller than is required for the absolute mandatory requirement. It would not be FMLA, but it would be a benefit to provide an unpaid leave of absence for up to one year in the event of a medical emergency.

ON MOTION OF MR. GARTLAND, SECONDED BY MR. YETSKO, THE BOARD UNANIMOUSLY AGREED TO ADOPT THE POLICY TO PROVIDE AN UNPAID LEAVE OF ABSENCE FOR UP TO ONE YEAR FOR ANY EMPLOYEE IN THE EVENT OF A MEDICAL EMERGENCY. BOARD MEMBERS VOTING AFFIRMATIVELY INCLUDED MR. MIORELLI, MR. CASTEL, MR. GARTLAND AND MR. YETSKO.

Mr. Cadwallader reminded the Board of the discussion at the last meeting regarding the pipe at the Martindale plant. Mr. Cadwallader contacted Emicon (Johnstown), who visited the plant twice to review the situation. Emicon originally suggested that it be done in stainless; however, they then realized that the stainless would fracture itself with the chlorine in it. Emicon is now suggesting that it be done with a Schedule 40 glue joint. Mr. Cadwallader questioned Emicon whether the chemicals that are being injected would affect the glue joint; and Emicon replied that they did not think so but that they would talk with the company that manufactures the glue to determine if this would be a concern. Once Emicon receives the answer, they will provide a quote.

Mr. Castel questioned what size pipe it is, to which Mr. Cadwallader replied that it is a 12" pipe. Mr. Cadwallader explained that where the pipe comes through the wall and out to the clear well, Emicon wants to bring the pipe out to where the phalange is, which will make it easier than trying to make a transition from glue to the steel pipe that is currently present. Mr. Miorelli questioned if the pipe will then be clear of the electrical panel, to which Mr. Cadwallader replied that the pipe will be above the electrical panel and everything will be new. Mr. Cadwallader stated that when Emicon started peeling everything off, it could be seen that the pipes are really pitted because they were holding the moisture inside and were degrading. Mr. Miorelli questioned what the special metal is that is welded on pipes to prevent corrosion, to which Mr. Beyer replied that they are anodes. Mr. Miorelli questioned if there are anodes on the current steel line, to which Mr. Cadwallader replied negatively. Mr. Miorelli stated that this may be something we look at in the future if we are going to install steel lines. Mr. Cadwallader explained that when they built the plants, there was all types of pipes used; i.e., black iron, galvanized, welded steel, plastic, stainless, etc. Most of this has been replaced except for the steel pipes on top of the filters and coming down for the backwashes, etc.

As it relates to the discussion at the last meeting relative to the current retirement/pension plan, Mr. Cadwallader noted that he had provided information to the Board prior to the meeting relative to this. He contacted the auditors and they contacted a third party financial advisor, which is the information he has provided to the Board. When contacting PMRS, Mr. Cadwallader stated, you only receive very vague information; and PMRS requests that you attend one of their seminars to get your questions answered. He noted that this is the seminar he referenced earlier in the meeting under Correspondence. Attorney Barbin informed the Board that the Johnstown Redevelopment Authority recently looked at PMRS because their current pension plan is held by Amerisery. It was found that PMRS has guaranteed returns, which was much better than Ameriserv. Mr. Cadwallader commented that what PMRS was saying was that it was a defined benefit plan (multiple member plan). Basically what the Authority is putting into the plan (3%) goes into a pool; and anyone that is retired currently, part of their money comes from this pool. None of the 3% goes into the current employees' plan except what the employees contribute themselves. Attorney Barbin explained that what the employees contribute goes into their individual plan, and what the Authority contributes goes into the pool which pays the defined benefit every month, which is required. Mr. Miorelli commented that at the seminar Mr. Cadwallader should find out if the employees are allowed to pull out of their lump sum what they are paying, to which Attorney Barbin interjected that at the time of retirement the employees should be able to pull this out. Mr. Cadwallader noted that under PMRS there are also options you have to select at the time of retirement; i.e., 100% for the employee and nothing for a beneficiary; 50% for the employee and 50% for the beneficiary, etc., to which Attorney Barbin explained that this would be on the defined benefit portion and not what the employee would contribute.

Mr. Cadwallader stated that there are a lot of questions he has received from the employees that he hopes to get answered at the seminar. He pointed out that PMRS has told him that the 3% that the Authority contributes goes into the pool; and the 3% that an employee would donate would go into their individual account. However, if you donate anything else, it goes into a different account, which does not make sense and that it should go into an employee's personal account. Mr. Cadwallader

stated that the PMRS plan affects the Sewer Authority, the Township and the Borough as well. Attorney Barbin stated that he agrees that the employees should have their questions answered; however, he pointed out that PMRS does have a good return on their investments and is a good organization. Mr. Yetsko questioned what PMRS does with the return money from the investments (5.5% return), to which Attorney Barbin replied that the 5.5% on the Authority's money would go into the pool and would build the pool to make the lump sum benefit available to an employee upon retirement. The employee at the time of retirement would then make the determination how that payment would be made. Attorney Barbin noted that the employees should also be receiving the 5.5% return on what they are investing as well, to which Mr. Cadwallader interjected that the information that the employees receive from PMRS only states what they have made and information on what they would receive in the event of a current disability. Mr. Miorelli commented that the employees should be receiving more definitive information. Mr. Cadwallader stated that, when the employees recently signed up for the seminar, when registering they asked for a projected date of retirement. He commented that one of the Authority employees made an inquiry already and found that, upon retirement, after 42 years of service, she would receive \$982 per month. Attorney Barbin pointed out that 3% is not a lot of money to put into a plan. Mr. Cadwallader informed the Board that when the plan was brought to the Authority Board years ago, it was stated as the "cadillac" of retirement plans.

Mr. Miorelli stated that Mr. Cadwallader should see what is found out at the upcoming seminar; and if the employees are not satisfied, it should be brought back to the Board for further discussion. Attorney Barbin commented that you can put pension monies into private companies as well; however, they do charge large fees. Mr. Cadwallader pointed out that the current plan does state that if you try to pull the money out, you have to buy out every employee in an annuity, which would be very expensive. Mr. Castel indicated that PMRS should also be available to come and talk with the employees, to which Mr. Cadwallader replied that PMRS will not do that and that is why some of the employees are attending the upcoming seminar.

As it relates to the hearing with Kukurin, Mr. Cadwallader reported that the case was ruled on the Authority's behalf. Kukurin has made payment; however, the only item that was not included was the filing fees.

Concerning the Cemetery Road project, Mr. Cadwallader informed the Board that he did send to DEP the construction completion paperwork with the bacteria samples; and he is waiting to hear back from DEP for a date for the inspection. Mr. Cadwallader is not sure what the inspection will entail since everything is underground except for the fire hydrant. Mr. Yetsko questioned if the water is turned on to the homes involved, to which Mr. Cadwallader replied affirmatively, with the exception the Koban and Kunko residences. The line is across the road for Koban and Kunko, he pointed out; and we still have to put two to three pieces of pipe in to meet up with their line. Mr. Cadwallader indicated that he is going to attempt to bore underneath the road so that he does not have to re-blacktop the area. This should take place within the next couple of weeks. Mr. Yetsko pointed out that he spoke with Bob Koban; and he still is having pressure problems. Mr. Cadwallader stated that he does feel there is something more going on. He did place a pressure reducer with a ¾" feed line into the 6" line to keep the water circulating. There is actually more pressure being fed into the line (70 – 80 pounds of pressure is being fed). Mr. Yetsko asked that Mr. Cadwallader call and talk with Mr. Koban, to which Mr. Cadwallader replied that he would do that.

Mr. Cadwallader reported that the pipe yard deed is done. The family paid \$300. The papers and maps are signed and will be taken to the Planning Commission. Mr. Beyer stated that the Township has approved everything as well; and everything will be taken to the Planning Commission next week. If approved, they will then be recorded. Attorney Barbin requested that he be provided a copy

of the map just for this piece of property as he needs it for meets and bounds. Once he receives the description of this lot, he can include this information in the deed.

Mr. Cadwallader apprised the Board that the health insurance renewal has been received (not due until December). There is a rate increase for next year in the amount of 11.7%. Mr. Yetsko questioned if it includes the same benefits, to which Mr. Cadwallader replied affirmatively. Mr. Cadwallader stated that there are various other options being provided as well; however, they have higher deductibles.

Mr. Cadwallader commented that the Board does have to set up a budget meeting. Mr. Yetsko suggested that Mr. Cadwallader and Mrs. Ringler gather all of the necessary facts and figures and then the Board can review everything. Mr. Miorelli stated that this is basically what was done last year; and this would eliminate one budget meeting. Mr. Miorelli questioned if this information could be ready by next month's meeting, to which Mr. Cadwallader replied affirmatively.

Mr. Cadwallader informed the Board that a letter was received from the Portage Area Joint Recreation Commission (PAJRC) which included a copy of the results of operations through September, as well as copy of their proposed budget for the coming year. PAJRC is requesting that the same consideration by the Authority for water usage at the Park be given to PAJRC for the upcoming year. Also included was information relative to the Small Water Systems Grant, Blue Knob poker run, and CDBG, which could be discussed by Messrs. Beyer and Barton.

Mr. Miorelli stated that Mrs. Ringler included information for the Board relative to worker's compensation. The information from the current employee policies basically states that, if an employee is driving their own vehicle for Authority purposes, you would be paid mileage and would be covered under the Authority's insurance. If it is not that way currently, Mr. Miorelli stated, then it would be the employee's concern if they are injured. Mr. Cadwallader commented that he would think we should stay with what was decided at a previous meeting and not allow employees to use their personal vehicles for Authority purposes as none of the employees were against this policy change. He pointed out that, in the past, the meter reader was paid for fuel for the use of their own vehicle and a certain amount of mileage. Attorney Barbin suggested that, if what Mrs. Ringler is stating is in the current personnel policies, it should be removed.

ON MOTION OF MR. YETSKO, SECONDED BY MR. GARTLAND, THE BOARD UNANIMOUSLY AGREED TO ABOLISH SECTION 7(G) FROM THE PERSONNEL RULES AND REGULATIONS AS IT RELATES TO MILEAGE REIMBURSEMENT ALLOWANCE (USE OF PRIVATELY OWNED VEHICLE WHEN ON AUTHORITY BUSINESS). BOARD MEMBERS VOTING AFFIRMATIVELY INCLUDED MR. MIORELLI, MR. CASTEL, MR. GARTLAND AND MR. YETSKO.

Mr. Cadwallader stated that he would have the above section removed and would have new printed copies of the policies made for each of the Board members. Attorney Barbin suggested that Mr. Cadwallader also have each Board member sign that they have received a copy of the revised Personnel Rules and Regulations.

IX. ENGINEER'S REPORT

Mr. Beyer commented that a copy of the Engineer's Report was distributed to the Board prior to the meeting.

As it relates to the CDBG projects, Mr. Beyer reported that he received a letter from the Redevelopment Authority stating that Farren Street did not meet the criteria for the CDBG funds

being that the residents of Farren Street were above the income guidelines. Mr. Beyer stated that the Water Authority did send letters to the residents on Mountain Avenue; and of the responses received to date, we are at 50% and we need a 53% response rate relating to the income requirements. He commented that, if it is found that the residents of Mountain Avenue do meet the income guidelines, we should perhaps speak with Mr. Custer to see if Mountain Avenue would be eligible for the CDBG monies since Farren Street was not. Mr. Beyer will have more information in this regard at the next meeting.

Concerning the spillway, Mr. Beyer informed the Board that the mapping is complete and the hydraulic analysis is underway. Mr. Beyer should have more information on the feasibility study at the next meeting.

Mr. Beyer commented that he did provide three copies of the annual dam inspection to Mr. Cadwallader, which has been submitted to DEP. Mr. Cadwallader indicated that the report contains no significant findings. The report contains comments relative to keeping up with the vegetation cutback and monitoring the spillway.

Relative to the PA Small Water and Sewer Grant, Mr. Beyer reminded the Board that the Board discussed this matter at the last meeting and decided to wait until tonight's meeting to approve a Resolution. The cost to be approved in the Resolution would be \$499,754.80, which would allow the Authority to run the 8" water line from Main Street to a valve at the School, which is located across from the track. The cost of the project has increased being that it was found that the 10" line only came to the valve, so we would need to add an additional 200 feet of line. Attorney Barbin indicated that the Board would need to authorize the filing of an application under the PA Small Water and Sewer Program in the amount of \$499,754.80. Mr. Yetsko questioned what we would do if we do not obtain the grant, to which Mr. Beyer replied that, several years ago, the Authority filed for a similar grant and was approved for \$30,000. Since the Authority realized that the \$30,000 was not enough to complete the intended project, the Authority declined the grant. Therefore, Mr. Beyer explained, if we apply for the grant, and if the Authority is even awarded one-half of what is being requested, the Board can make a decision at a later time whether to accept the grant or not. He did point out, however, that even if the Authority is granted one-half of what is requested, the Authority would still be required to provide 15% of its own funds.

ON MOTION OF MR. GARTLAND, SECONDED BY MR. CASTEL, THE BOARD UNANIMOUSLY AUTHORIZED THE FILING OF AN APPLICATION UNDER THE PA SMALL WATER AND SEWER PROGRAM IN THE AMOUNT OF \$499,754.80. BOARD MEMBERS VOTING AFFIRMATIVELY INCLUDED MR. MIORELLI, MR. CASTEL, MR. GARTLAND AND MR. YETSKO.

Mr. Beyer noted that the would also need a check from the Authority in the amount of \$100, made out to the Commonwealth Financing Authority, which is required for the filing of the application.

ON MOTION OF MR. YETSKO, SECONDED BY MR. GARTLAND, THE BOARD UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED THE PAYMENT OF THE FILING FEE FOR THE PA SMALL WATER AND SEWER GRANT APPLICATION IN THE AMOUNT OF \$100. BOARD MEMBERS VOTING AFFIRMATIVELY INCLUDED MR. MIORELLI, MR. CASTEL, MR. GARTLAND AND MR. YETSKO.

X. SOLICITOR'S REPORT

Attorney Barbin stated that he had submitted a copy of his report prior to the meeting.

Attorney Barbin stated that everything included in his report has been discussed, with the exception of the purchase of the Cooney property, which will be discussed by Mr. Barton.

XI. FORESTER'S REPORT

Mr. Barton apprised the Board that he received a call from Attorney Lambrusco indicating that the offer that the Authority made was turned down for the extra timber. Mr. Barton commented that he understood that Cooney would entertain an offer and that is why we pursued it. Attorney Barbin questioned what the next step would be, to which Mr. Barton replied that Attorney Lambrusco was to speak with Paul Cooney and would let Mr. Barton know. Attorney Lambrusco did indicate to Mr. Barton that there was nothing wrong with the offer but that it was decided to not accept the offer. Attorney Barbin noted that the offer in June was for \$817 per acre which was the price after Cooney cut the timber. He noted that, in the long run, it is 239 acres of watershed property that the Authority has an opportunity to protect for the future. Attorney Barbin questioned if the Board would approve authorizing Mr. Barton, if it does not work out with a counteroffer, to finalize the sale at \$817 per acre. Mr. Barton noted that he would question if they would accept a counteroffer and let Attorney Barbin and Mr. Cadwallader know as soon as possible. Mr. Barton commented that Attorney Lambrusco questioned if the Authority's previous offer still stands, and Mr. Barton stated that it did. Mr. Barton noted that he would keep the Board apprised of any activity.

Mr. Barton apprised the Board that Mr. Claar completed the clean-up in the second block; however, he is not sure if he placed the gravel on the road into the second landing.

Mr. Barton noted that he contacted Blue Knob and forwarded them an invoice from the trucking company for the extra load of material and Mr. Barton's billing for the work that was done. At the time of the contact, Mr. Barton was informed that he had no authority to order stone for Blue Knob or to oversee them without their permission. Mr. Barton noted that he did have a conversation about Blue Knob overseeing the work themselves; and it was a very disturbing telephone call. However, Mr. Barton did receive a return apologetic telephone call. He commented that Blue Knob has 20% of the work to finish; and when Mr. Chappell returns to complete the work, Mr. Barton will oversee that. There are some areas that are not completed to Mr. Barton's satisfaction; and he will oversee that the work is done when Mr. Chappell returns. Mr. Barton commented that the estimate of work to be done is about three days for Mr. Barton and his employee; and he informed Blue Knob that he would keep them informed ahead of time in the event it has to be approved by the Blue Knob Board. He indicated to Blue Knob that he is acting on behalf of the Water Authority; and for many years Blue Knob did nothing to rectify any damages to the watershed.

Mr. Barton pointed out that he wanted the Board to be aware of what the conversation was between himself and Blue Knob because, in his opinion, they are still skating on thin ice with the Water Authority. If Blue Knob does not finish the work that needs completed, Mr. Barton commented, he will probably come back to the Board next month and ask that Blue Knob not be allowed on the watershed. Blue Knob needs to finish the work in that some of it is critical to what is going on with the quality of the water; and if it is not done, the Authority would probably need to hire someone to finish the work because it is that critical and then bill Blue Knob for the work. Mr. Yetsko questioned whose dozer is currently in the watershed area, to which Mr. Barton replied that it belongs to an agent of Mr. Claar's. Mr. Barton noted that he would contact Mr. Chappell tomorrow to see the status of the repairs to the dozer. Attorney Barbin indicated that the Board was very clear that they wanted Mr. Barton to supervise all of the work that was being done; and at the time of a previous meeting,

Blue Knob was aware of that. Blue Knob had assured the Board that they would be fine with Mr. Barton having the work completed and that they be billed for the work. Mr. Barton stated that he informed Blue Knob that the work is 80% completed; however, there is probably a full day's work to redo areas that were not done appropriately. Blue Knob then has to finish two sections of trail plus the clean-up from this year's run. He also informed Blue Knob that the clean-up to the trails has to be done after every run.

Mr. Castel questioned if the one section is closed along the creek, to which Mr. Barton replied that two sections were closed off, but they were closed off before they were retired. Now, Blue Knob has to unclose them, retire them, and close them off again. Mr. Miorelli questioned if the stream beds have been completed with the limestone, to which Mr. Barton replied affirmatively. The trails that the Authority wanted closed off have been closed off. Mr. Miorelli pointed out that the Authority could not have a better person overseeing this than Mr. Barton. Mr. Barton emphasized that it has been a good clean-up. Mr. Chappell did a good job; and once the dozer is repaired, he feels Mr. Chappell will do a satisfactory job in completing the work. Mr. Barton noted that Blue Knob is far enough away now on their runs that there will not be silt going into the streams. Mr. Barton commented, however, that the Board must keep in mind that Blue Knob did ignore the Board's negative decision at one time and still had their run on part of the Authority's watershed.

XII. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

CDBG Project

Discussed earlier in the meeting; ongoing.

Employee Issues

No employee issues to be presented to the Board.

Cemetery Road Project

Discussed earlier in the meeting. Project is 99.9% complete.

Blue Knob Poker Run

Discussed earlier in the meeting.

Kukurin (Unpaid Invoices)

Discussed earlier in the meeting; check has been received.

Pipe Yard Project

Discussed earlier in the meeting.

Small Water Systems Grant

Discussed earlier in the meeting.

Retirement Plan for Employees

Discussed earlier in the meeting.

XIII. <u>NEW BUSINESS</u>

Health Insurance Renewal

Discussed earlier in the meeting.

XIV. GOOD OF THE ORDER

Portage Area Joint Recreation Commission

Mr. Cadwallader informed the Board that a letter was received from the Portage Area Joint Recreation Commission that included a copy of their proposed budget for the coming year, as well as a request for consideration for water usage at the Park for the coming year. In previous years, the Board had approved water usage at the Park for a maximum of 500,000 gallons at no cost, with a charge for anything over 500,000 gallons.

ON MOTION OF MR. YETSKO, SECONDED BY MR. CASTEL, THE BOARD UNANIMOUSLY AGREED TO RENEW THE AGREEMENT WITH PAJRC FOR WATER USAGE AT THE PARK FOR THE UPCOMING YEAR AT A MAXIMUM OF 500,000 GALLONS AT NO COST. BOARD MEMBERS VOTING AFFIRMATIVELY INCLUDED MR. MIORELLI, MR. CASTEL, MR. GARTLAND AND MR. YETSKO.

Budget Meeting

Discussed earlier in the meeting.

XV. ADJOURNMENT

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS, ON MOTION OF MR. GARTLAND, SECONDED BY MR. YETSKO, THE BOARD ADJOURNED THE MEETING AT 7:59 P.M. BOARD MEMBERS VOTING AFFIRMATIVELY INCLUDED MR. MIORELLI, MR. CASTEL, MR. GARTLAND AND MR. YETSKO.

XVI. NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be held on Thursday, November 3, 2016 at 7:00 p.m.

Sharon Squillario

Respectfully submitted,

Sharon Squillario

Recording Secretary