

**Military Installation Remediation and
Infrastructure Authority (“MIRIA”)
Board Meeting Minutes
FEBRUARY 4, 2022**

In attendance:

BOARD:

Todd Stephens, Chair (absent)
W. William Whiteside, Vice Chair
Thomas Panzer, Secretary (absent)
Theresa Harmon, Treasurer
Tara Conner-Hallston
Scott DeRosa
Gregory Nesbitt

STAFF:

Larry Burns, Executive Director
William Gildea-Walker, Deputy
Director
Mary Eberle, Esq., Solicitor

Mr. Whiteside opened the meeting with a Pledge of Allegiance at 9:01 am in the Horsham Township Municipal Building at 1025 Horsham Road.

Mr. Whiteside asked if there were any question or comments from the public. There were none.

Mr. Whiteside asked for the will of the board regarding the January 7, 2022 meeting minutes. Mr. Nesbitt motioned to approve the minutes to the January 7th board meeting. Mr. DeRosa seconded. All were in favor and the motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Whiteside invited Mr. Burns to make his Executive Directors report. Mr. Burns confirmed that 986 Easton Road, the former GrandMa’s Grotto property, was demolished in recent weeks and thanked the township’s public works department and codes department for their assistance through the process. He also thanked the Operating Engineers Local 542 which demolished the structures at the site for free, as a training exercise for their apprentices. He also thanked B. Blair Company, which provided some clean fill at no cost. Things to be done yet at the property are to decommission the 13 monitoring wells on the property. We expect that to be done in the spring and believe the neighboring gas station will foot the bill for this. After that, we’ll take up the macadam and plant grass seed and return it to green space. We do have our engineer designing a traffic light for the corner as well. Adding sidewalks and wrapping the property is certainly worth-while, but probably should be done after the traffic light as that design may impact the frontage of the property if a turn lane is required.

On other fronts, the MIRIA’s auditor will be in on February 14th for the 2021 audit report. In March, Mary Eberle our solicitor and I will review MIRIA grant guidelines and gauge whether they

may need to be revised. Now that we are through two cycles, we may have some thoughts about minor tweaks. Mr. Burns confirmed that he and Deana Zosky, our compliance consultant, had a conference call with Rich Carroll or Hallmark Homes. We think in March that we may host a compliance workshop for contractors and subcontractors for the Toll and Hallmark residential development projects. In April. We expect to meet with potential grant applicants and review the program and grant guidelines with them. By April 15th we are required to provide a certification to the PA Department of Revenue confirming that funds awarded us in December have been spent, budgeted or designated and that no excess monies exist or are being returned to Harrisburg. And May 15th, 2022 grant applications are due and we're back into a new cycle. Mr. Burns confirmed that concluded his remarks and asked if there were any questions. There were none.

Mr. Whiteside noted the next agenda item was the approval of the list of checks. Mr. Nesbitt motioned for approval of the list of checks in the amount of \$286,755.08 to fund MIRIA operating expenses, to fund MIRIA project costs and to fund a 2020 cycle grant disbursement for Ambler Borough in the amount of \$240,345.80. Ms. Harmon seconded. All were in favor and the motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Whiteside inquired whether there was any additional new business to be considered? There was none.

With no other business, Mr. Whiteside adjourned the meeting at approximately 9:06 am.

/s/

Thomas Panzer, Secretary