

**Military Installation Remediation and  
Infrastructure Authority (“MIRIA”)  
Board Meeting Minutes  
December 16, 2022**

In attendance:

BOARD:

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

STAFF:

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

Mr. Stephens opened the meeting with a Pledge of Allegiance at 9:00 AM in the Horsham Township Municipal Building at 1025 Horsham Road.

Mr. Stephens introduced Melissa Cerrato, the new State Representative for the 151<sup>st</sup> district, and thanked her for her interest in MIRIA and that we look forward to working with her. Mr. Stephens asked if there were any question or comments from the public. There were none.

Mr. Stephens asked for the will of the board regarding the November 4, 2022 meeting minutes. Mr. Whiteside motioned to approve the minutes to the November 4th board meeting. Mr. DeRosa seconded. Mr. Panzer abstained, the remaining five board members were in favor and the motion passed.

Mr. Stephens confirmed the next item on the agenda was the presentations from the grant applicants.

Mr. Stephens asked if anyone here was representing Ambler Borough, and Ms. Terry Funk of Gilmore and Associates introduced herself and confirmed she was here on Ambler Borough’s behalf. She thanked the board for the opportunity to present the application and for their work and advocacy for funding for PFAS remedial efforts in our communities. Ms. Funk confirmed that in the first (2020) grant, Ambler had funding for carbon change-outs at Ambler’s Whitmarsh water treatment facility. A GAC filter had been situated there for non-PFAS issues, and when tested, PFAS was evident at the location as well. Ambler worked with carbon providers to see if a carbon was available to address the original issue of organics at the well, but also one that could screen out PFAS. They were successful identifying a carbon that met the need and after a change-

out, PFAS levels were at non-detect. Ambler will continue to sample quarterly and the only variable is how long the carbon will last. This year's application also has carbon change-out funding in the request. The original (2020) application also had a piping project as the primary project, linking wells 2, 6 and 7 to a central PFAS remedial system. That remedial system is funded by another, non-MIRIA grant, and will be situated near the Lock Ashe reservoir. The piping project was done in 2021 though efforts to finalize the PFAS remedial system were complicated by Hurricane Ida. With trees down and screening impacted, approvals dragged and were just granted in November 2022 from Upper Dublin Township. The final design is much different than first proposed and architecturally is more esthetically attractive. Construction is expected to go out to bid just after the first of the year. The next project Ambler hopes to undertake is to add a PFAS remedial system at well 14, which is still in Upper Dublin Township, but serves a large section of Lower Gwynedd Township. It is a tight site and we had hoped to do ion exchange or if necessary, a small carbon unit. Ambler is in discussions with DEP regarding the project. The system is in design and we hope to get out to bid for its construction in early 2023. The system is expected to address a flow of about 800 gallons per minute. There will also be backup access and/or supplemental water resources available with a North Wales Water interconnect. She concluded and asked if there were any questions. There were none. Chair Stephens thanked Terry, Mary and the whole team at Ambler. While Ambler is a small borough, the water department footprint is much larger and he has regularly worked with them, on behalf of Lower Gwynedd and Upper Dublin, and the borough has always stepped up and helped. Ms. Funk commented that most of MIRIA funding have primarily benefited residences outside of the borough.

Mr. Stephens noted next on the agenda was the Horsham Water and Sewer Authority and Ms. Tina O'Rourke introduced herself. Ms. O'Rourke confirmed that they had submitted two applications, one of about \$1.2 million primarily for PFAS projects with a cost estimated at about \$1.5 million and a second application for \$422,500 for economic development and infrastructure on project costs of about \$500,000. O&M expenses are primarily carbon change-outs which occur at each well about once per year. Sampling and analysis runs about \$100,000 per year and buying water to supplement for the 4 wells that have been closed down runs about \$750,000 a year. Three of the four wells taken out of service under our long-term plan, we hope in the future to fit them with PFAS remedial systems so we might lessen our reliance on purchased water. For the economic development grant, we hope to do a waste water capacity study that will better quantify the needs regarding the base redevelopment plans and confirm the upgrades required at our Park Creek Sewer Treatment plant. We will also be doing and obligated to fund utility relocation regarding the township's Blair Mill Road widening project #2. To date 3,400 feet of water mains have been laid and another 5,100 feet in design. 86 homes with impacted private wells have been connected and the authority has just awarded a contract to connect another 89 impacted homes. By the end of 2023, we expect to have connected 175 homes with impacted private wells and hope to recruit another 175 for connections in the future. She commented that

MIRIA has been a God-send, as with out, rate payers would be paying 25% more than they currently pay and hundreds of homes would still be using private contaminated wells. Mr. Stephens asked if there were any questions, and there were not. Mr. Stephens thanked Ms. O'Rourke and her team for their efforts in getting the word out, and in administering and executing on those water mains and house connections.

Mr. Stephens confirmed the next application was North Wales Water Authority. Mr. Bob Bender introduced himself as the Executive Director of North Wales Water and also introduced some of his colleagues in attendance. Mr. Bender noted they were a little different from other providers as they serve about 40,000 residential clients, but also have wholesale customers covering an additional 100,000 homes and reach well into Bucks County. He thanked MIRIA for their past support and assured the board they have been excellent stewards regarding the grant monies that have been awarded them. Like many of the other providers, they have installed PFAS remedial systems and commented that the DEP is now requiring filtration systems to address total dissolved solids as well. He reviewed with the board the projects that have been completed with MIRIA funding, including interconnects with various communities, they rebated amounts to Warrington customers which amounted to free water for about a year, they are adding filtration to 3 wells, well sampling and installation of 3,500 linear feet of water mains. A current project underway is providing connections for 84 homes with PFAS impacted private wells. In some areas, PFAS numbers have been high and those who have opted for service connection have been very, very appreciative of MIRIA for their connections. Other projects underway of the authority's new water tank on Hancock Road which may be the largest tank in the United States. MIRIA has funded 32% of the cost of the tank, a share that was designated by staff to be PFAS related, for building capacity to support other communities like Horsham, Warminster and Warrington. A project is underway, and not MIRIA funded, to run service up to Plumsteadville, as they've experienced some PFAS coming from Doylestown and the Cross-Keys area. North Wales has also set up a disaster recovery center, which provides duplicative controls and operation if their North Wales site would suffer a disaster. For the new cycle, they are seeking funding for adapting filters for total dissolved solids, for new mains and homes connections, and for a portion of the costs of new filtration systems on wells 5, 8 and 11. He noted that North Wales Water has undertaken projects worth a total of \$20 million, and would never have been able to undertake these projects without the help, assistance and funding provided by MIRIA. Mr. Stephens thanked Mr. Bender for his presentation and for the cooperation that he and his team have shown in supporting the needs of neighboring municipalities. Mr. Stephens asked if there were any questions? There were none.

Mr. Stephens confirmed Upper Southampton Municipal Authority was the next applicant to be heard. Mr. Bob Campbell of Pennoni Associates introduced himself and introduced Mr. Herb Schoell, the manager for the Upper Southampton Municipal Authority who was in the audience. Mr. Campbell noted that 80% of the authority's water is provided by North Wales Water. There are unserved areas of the community along Davisville Road where residence rely exclusively on

private well water. That area is in close proximity to the former Johnsville Naval Base facility and much of the Upper Southampton residence in these areas are impacted by PFAS contamination. Upper Southampton Municipal Authority has undertaken a staged project to get these residences off of private wells and connected to the public water system. Last years' project was bid in February and was wrapped up by the end of the summer and we extended water mains and made 41 house connections. 10% of those offer connection sign-up and no one declined service. Our next phase of the project is to extend mains another 3,000 feet and to service another small development and expect to provide another 22 homes with public water. Mr. Stephens thanked Bob and Herb for the work they are doing. He asked if there were any questions? There were none.

Mr. Stephens confirmed the next application and presentation was for the Warminster Municipal Authority. Mr. Tim Hagey spoke and thanked the MIRIA board for its continued support. He confirmed that Warminster Municipal Authority had a new grant application in and was working with staff to provide additional information that they requested in support of the grant request. Mr. Hagey admitted their needs and the request are a little bit different than others. Warminster changed their water supply from their own surface water wells to buying water from North Wales Water Authority and the cost to the community obviously is the difference between the cost of purchased water and the water from their own wells. While staff has asked regarding cost of water purchases, there also is a savings component as there is no longer the cost of operating their own wells. The staff at Warminster Municipal Authority is assembling the appropriate information and will be making it available to MIRIA staff in the coming days. That monthly savings is definable, but perhaps was not well represented in the materials previously submitted. MIRIA staff has asked if we plan on placing PFAS remedial treatment on our wells, and it is uncertain at this point. He discussed several uncertainties regarding the whole family of PFAS chemicals, and noted for the time being, buying water from North Wales Water Authority at non-detect makes a lot of sense for them. Some of the new grant continues rebates to our customers but we also expect to continue making connections for homes with PFAS impacted private wells. Over 100 homes have been connected using MIRIA funding and they continue to focus on those hold-out who have not opted for a connection to the public system. At the authority's waste water treatment plant, PFAS has required them to treat the wastewater with chemicals as part of the bi-product of PFAS. One in particular is Costic Soda, which this grant seeks reimbursement regarding those additional costs. Mr. Hagey once again thanked the MIRIA board for their efforts and the grant funding, which has allowed them and other water providers to appropriately address the regional PFAS problem. Mr. Stephens asked if there were any questions of the board. Ms. Eberle interjected that she needed to provide some clarification to Mr. Hagey's presentation. Ms. Eberle noted that the additional information requested by staff is to help clarify the difference between the cost of providing regular water and the cost to provide PFAS free water. The current grant application has requested a little over \$4 million to rebate customers as well as additional funds to connect private wells. Staff does not have a problem with the request. We are however looking to paper our file and that it is clear, that if we are ever audited by the

Department of Revenue, that the amounts funded under the grant are easily definable as the difference in cost to their rate payers. Mr. Stephens asked Ms. Eberle whether we would be meeting the requirements of the statute as amounts are designated, funded or spent? She confirmed that yes, that was the case. Mr. Stephens asked again if there were any questions? There were none. Mr. Stephens thanked Mr. Hagey for his work in these efforts.

Mr. Burns confirmed the next item on the agenda was a presentation by Horsham Township and that Mr. Gildea-Walker could not be in attendance and requested that he talk of the Horsham application. Mr. Burns noted that he had talked with Ms. Aversa and Mr. Gildea-Walker about the original December 10<sup>th</sup> meeting and both had indicated they had to leave early and that explains the order on the agenda. Mr. Burns confirmed that Horsham Township provided MIRIA with \$400,000.00 in local effort and applied for a grant of \$2 million to be used for an improvement project at the intersection of Horsham Road and Limekiln Pike. The cost is about a \$12 million project and the township has gotten some PennDOT money and some DCED money, but the bulk of the project is being funded by the township's capital and that is the request at hand. Mr. Stephens noted he has learned of the project through other conversations, but inquired that's all the improvements and widening at Horsham and Limekiln Pike, left hand turn lanes, right hand turn lanes, to make traffic travel through that intersection more efficiently? Mr. Burns responded Correct. Ms. Eberle inquired what are the total project costs? Mr. Burns responded that total projects costs are \$12 million on that project. Mr. Stephens asked if there were any more questions from the board members. There were none.

Mr. Stephens indicated the next presentation was Horsham Township. Mr. Bill Gildea-Walker introduced himself as township manager. Mr. Gildea-Walker confirmed their use of funding is different than other applicants as the township focuses purely on economic development and infrastructure project regarding MIRIA funding, to aid in the eventual redevelopment of the former Willow Grove base property. When the township originally submitted this years' application, it was to help fund the intersection improvement project at Horsham Road and Limekiln Pike. When we submitted the application, the township believed the project would go to construction in the fall of 2023. Our schedule however has slipped and construction is not expected to start until the summer of 2024. Given that, the township has amended its application which was approved by Horsham Township Council at their November 28<sup>th</sup> meeting, and it includes 5 projects. The township went out to bid for our Blair Mill Road widening project, phase 2 and that came in 25% higher than budgeted costs. So, we would expect to cover some of the costs of the project with this grant. The second project, is we hope to move ahead with engineering for the final phase, Phase 3 of the Blair Mill Road widening project. Phase 3 will make Blair Mill Road 5 lanes from Easton Road to Welsh Road. That is in preparation not only for the base redevelopment, but also with the possibility that the PA turnpike might install slip ramps at Welsh Road. The 3<sup>rd</sup> project is to begin efforts in replacing the bridge just east of us on Horsham Road. He spoke earlier about the Horsham Road and Limekiln Road project, that when complete,

will widen Horsham Road to 5 lanes from the intersection down to the township's municipal complex. There remains a short area, from our municipal complex down to Babylon Road which will need to be widened from 3 lanes to 5, to afford 5 lanes on Horsham Road from Easton Road to Limekiln Pike. Step 1 would be to widen the bridge with step 2, to then widen the road. In our application, we put in just for engineering related to the bridge. Mr. Gildea-Walker reminded the board that all these improvements discussed have been recommended by various studies as part of planning for the base redevelopment. The 4<sup>th</sup> project relates to Route 611. With the redevelopment of the base, Route 611 will need to be improved. Back in 2014, PennDOT had Michael Baker International do a conceptual study regarding the needed improvements and road widening ahead of the base redevelopment. The next study that would be required by PennDOT in that effort, would cost between \$300,000 and \$500,000 and is more of a preliminary engineering study and an effort beyond conceptual planning. In the interim, we have made requests of the Delaware Valley Regional Planning Commission, PennDOT, and Montgomery County for funding to assist in getting the study underway. We have not however been able to find an award of funds for this study. As part of this year application, we have built in some funding for the study. Widening Route 611 is essential for the base redevelopment, and doing so, and for planning such a project, requires we follow a path set out by PennDOT. This study is the first step to getting that project underway. The 5<sup>th</sup> project included in our application seeks funding of an economic development fund to attract jobs, business and companies to the 611 corridor and to the MIRIA zone and to Horsham Township. Programs exist where facades or jobs serve as feeders of economic development. Mr. Stephens asked if there were any questions? There were none. Mr. Stephens thanked Mr. Gildea-Walker for all his work and efforts for Horsham Township.

Mr. Stephens noted the next agenda item was for the Executive Directors report. Mr. Burns indicated he'd be brief in his remarks. Mr. Burns said he wanted to comment on the two capital projects MIRIA was engaged with. Mr. Burns made note of the GrandMa's Grotto project at 986 Easton Road which was acquired by MIRIA in June of 2021. After a process of decommissioning the property and its utilities, the property was demolished in early 2022. MIRIA has plans to reconfigure and improve the intersection and to place a traffic light at the intersection. The project is intended to enhance safety at the intersection for all traffic, including to employees at Tinius Olsen. He noted that Horsham Water & Sewer Authority may be piggy-backing the project with an extension of sewer line up Moreland Avenue. MIRIA's PennDOT application for the project was submitted to PennDOT on November 23<sup>rd</sup> and we expect their review and comments in the next 60 days or so. We remain hopeful that we can go out to bid for the project in last spring with construction potentially to get underway in the fall. Regarding the other capital project, 100 Easton Road, the old Adam's Pit Stop property, Mr. Burns was on sight yesterday to provide access to a HazMat crew who was removing mercury switches, light ballasts, and other waste. Peco too was on sight removing the electric meter and cutting the power feed to the property. These efforts will aid in the eventual demolition of the property in the future. We have had conversations with the Operating Engineers, who demo'd the GrandMa's Grotto property

as part of an exercise for the apprentice class. While they did not have room in their calendar through year-end, they did confirm that things slow down in Q1 and perhaps could be available to assist with the demolition of the 100 Easton Road property. Mr. Burns also noted that this cycle, we did get an award letter from the Pennsylvania Department of Revenue confirming an award of \$16,057,181.66 for the 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2022 cycle. He commented that while it is more money than received in previous cycles, as a percentage of local effort it represents less of an award. As it relates to multiples of local effort, the award can max-out at 5.0X local effort, and in the first two award cycles it was 4.89X and 5.0X. The program provides that we get the lesser of 5.0X local effort of the amount actually collected, reported and certified from MIRIA zone parcels and businesses. Last cycle, while we did max out at 5.0x local effort, we did leave money on the table as if we had had additional local effort, we could have realized additional funding as PA Revenue certified an amount larger than 5.0X. This cycle, our multiple was only 4.49X local effort and leveraging local effort was not maximized. As a result, this years MIRIA grant awards are reduced as a multiple of local effort. Mr. Burns indicated that was all he had in the way of comments for today's meeting. Mr. Stephens commented that MIRIA got \$2 million more in applications this year but we only got about \$200,000 more in state funding. Our consultant had anticipated that we'd be receiving \$6 million more dollars in our first cycle than was actually certified by the Department of Revenue. In last years' cycle, that difference or discrepancy was about \$3.5 million, and in this years' cycle, that amount grew to more than \$7 million. We hope to work to better understand the reasons for these differences so that we may reduce these differences in future cycles. The growing difference in certified funds versus funds we think we should be receiving is concerning, and there are a number of things, including the tax payer protection laws that limit our ability to fully audit these results. Mr. Burns interjected that those funds Mr. Stephens referenced are not funds that might fully come to us, as even if they were certified, that funding is limited by the 5.0X local effort multiple. Mr. Stephens appreciated Mr. Burns comment, but reaffirmed his concern of the growing gap between reported and certified funding in future cycles. He noted we do expect our consultant to focus on this issue so that we may better understand it and the challenges regarding it. Mr. Stephens asked if there were any questions? There were none.

Mr. Stephens referred to the next agenda item Bills and Communications and asked for the will of the board regarding the approval of the first list of checks. Ms. Harmon motioned for approval of the list of checks in the amount of 1,866,880.91 to fund MIRIA operating expenses, to fund MIRIA project costs and to fund 7 grant disbursements totaling \$1,811,384.25 to Horsham Water and Sewer Authority, Horsham Township, North Wales Water Authority and Ambler Borough. Mr. Whiteside seconded. All were in favor and the motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Stephens noted the next agenda item was the approval of the PLGIT supplemental list of checks and asked for the will of the board. Mr. Whiteside motioned to approve the PLGIT supplemental list of checks for \$16,057,181.66 representing a transfer of PA State 2022 MIRIA

funding to Huntingdon Valley Bank, the MIRIA local bank. Ms. Harmon seconded. All were in favor and the motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Stephens noted the agenda provided for review and approval of the MIRIA grants, and first under consideration was Ambler Borough. Ms. Conner-Hallston moved to approved a MIRIA grant to Ambler Borough in the amount of \$1,134,000.00 for funding of projects detailed in their grant application, and subject to the execution of a MIRIA Grant Agreement and further subject to the provision of documents sufficient to demonstrate that funds for the project have been spent, designated of budgeted prior to January 1, 2023. Mr. Panzer seconded. All were in favor and the motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Stephens asked for the will of the board regarding the approval of a MIRIA grant to Horsham Water & Sewer Authority. Ms. Harmon moved to approved a MIRIA grant to the Horsham Water & Sewer Authority in the amount of \$944,118.00 for funding of projects detailed in their grant application, and subject to the execution of a MIRIA Grant Agreement and further subject to the provision of documents sufficient to demonstrate that funds for the project have been spent, designated of budgeted prior to January 1, 2023. Mr. DeRosa seconded. All were in favor and the motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Stephens asked for the will of the board regarding the approval of a second MIRIA grant to Horsham Water & Sewer Authority. Mr. Whiteside moved to approved a MIRIA grant to the Horsham Water & Sewer Authority in the amount of \$354,900.00 for funding of projects detailed in their grant application, and subject to the execution of a MIRIA Grant Agreement and further subject to the provision of documents sufficient to demonstrate that funds for the project have been spent, designated of budgeted prior to January 1, 2023. Ms. Conner-Hallston seconded. All were in favor and the motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Stephens asked for the will of the board regarding the approval of a MIRIA grant to North Wales Water Authority. Mr. Panzer moved to approved a MIRIA grant to the North Wales Water Authority in the amount of \$3,612,000.00 for funding of projects detailed in their grant application, and subject to the execution of a MIRIA Grant Agreement and further subject to the provision of documents sufficient to demonstrate that funds for the project have been spent, designated of budgeted prior to January 1, 2023. Ms. Harmon seconded. All were in favor and the motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Stephens asked for the will of the board regarding the approval of a MIRIA Grant to the Upper Southampton Municipal Authority. Ms. Conner-Hallston moved to approved a MIRIA grant to the Upper Southampton Municipal Authority in the amount of \$591,276.00 for funding of projects detailed in their grant application, and subject to the execution of a MIRIA Grant Agreement and further subject to the provision of documents sufficient to demonstrate that



funds for the project have been spent, designated of budgeted prior to January 1, 2023. Mr. DeRosa seconded. All were in favor and the motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Stephens asked for the will of the board regarding the approval of a MIRIA grant to the Warminster Municipal Authority. Mr. DeRosa moved to approved a MIRIA grant to the Warminster Municipal Authority in the amount of \$4,200,000.00 for funding of projects detailed in their grant application, and subject to the execution of a MIRIA Grant Agreement and further subject to the provision of documents sufficient to demonstrate that funds for the project have been spent, designated of budgeted prior to January 1, 2023. Ms. Conner-Hallston seconded. All were in favor and the motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Stephens asked for the will of the board regarding the approval of a MIRIA grant to Horsham Township. Ms. Harmon moved to approved a MIRIA grant to the Horsham Township in the amount of \$4,200,000.00 for funding of projects detailed in their grant application, and subject to the execution of a MIRIA Grant Agreement and further subject to the provision of documents sufficient to demonstrate that funds for the project have been spent, designated of budgeted prior to January 1, 2023. Mr. Whiteside seconded. All were in favor and the motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Stephens congratulated all the grant recipients and acknowledged our appreciation all the work that you are doing and certainly appreciate your efforts for all the residents that you serve.

Ms. Eberle noted that while all the providers are here, she wanted to confirm that the board has asked staff to meet with the providers after the first of the year to see if we could devise some creative ways in which MIRIA could provide additional and other assistance to them. Mr. Stephens remarked that we recognize that in early cycles, that support in funding remedial efforts in GAC or ion exchange systems or impacted house connections may have been promptly addressed, and that we want to continue to be helpful to them and their residents.

Mr. Stephens noted the next agenda item was the appointment of the 2022 auditor and asked Mr. Burns if he had any comment. Mr. Burns confirmed there was a memo in the board package discussing the subject. He confirmed Maillie LLP had been MIRIA's auditor for the first two cycles. Mr. Burns recommended using them as well for the 3<sup>rd</sup> cycle, fiscal year 2022. He noted that the cost of the audit has moved. In the initial year of 2020, the cost was only \$3,500.00. As the auditors did their field work that year, they acknowledged that they had severely underpriced the engagement in relationship to the complexity and sophistication of our systems. In the second cycle, 2021, the engagement cost was \$7,500.00. The quote today for 2022 is at \$10,500.00. Mr. Burns confirmed that in his capacity with the Horsham Land Redevelopment Authority ("HLRA") that he has priced audits for them the last 8 years or so, and bids have most commonly come in in the \$12,000 to \$20,000 range. Given the sophistication and complexity of our systems, he again recommended engaging Maillie LLP for the fiscal year 2022 audit. Mr.

Stephens asked if there were any questions of Mr. Burns? There were none. Mr. DeRosa moved to approve and engage the CPA firm of Maillie LLP as the auditor for MIRIA for fiscal year 2022. Ms. Harmon seconded. All were in favor and the motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Stephens indicated the next item under new business on the agenda was consideration of Resolution #2022-07 and the approval of the 2023 MIRIA Budget. Mr. Burns confirmed the Resolution along with Exhibits "A" and "B" had been sent out. Exhibit "A" is the MIRIA 2023 operating budget and Exhibit "B" is the 2023 MIRIA Grant & Economic Development and Infrastructure Budget. The operating budget depicted on Exhibit "A" is recommended at \$237,400.00 and Exhibit "B" lays out the grants that were just approved, which totals \$15,036,294.00 and sets aside \$809,937.97 for economic development and infrastructure projects. Mr. Stephens asked if there were any questions of the board? There were none. Mr. Stephens asked for the will of the board regarding Resolution 2022-07. Mr. Panzer motioned to approve Resolution 2022-7 and the MIRIA Budget as submitted. Mr. Whiteside seconded. Mr. Burns confirmed it was a roll-call vote.

Mr. DeRosa – Aye

Ms. Conner-Hallston – Aye

Ms. Harmon - Aye

Mr. Panzer – Aye

Mr. Whiteside – Aye

Mr. Stephens – Aye

Motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Stephens indicated the next item on the agenda was consideration of Resolution #2022-8 and the approval of designating and budgeting funding for economic development and infrastructure projects. Mr. Burns commented that this resolution sets forth various opportunities for investments in economic development and infrastructure project, including an amount not to exceed \$200,000.00 for funding of engineering and construction costs related to extended Norristown Road from Horsham Road to Easton Road, an amount not to exceed \$809,937.97 to fund costs associated with the Moreland Avenue and Easton Road intersection improvement project, an amount not to exceed \$75,000.00 to fund the cost of demolition and repurposing the 100 Easton Road property. Mr. Burns noted an Executive Session of the board did take place before this meeting and that real estate for potential acquisition was discussed and prioritized, and that an amount up to \$809,937.97 was also set. Additionally, MIRIA 2023 operating expenses estimated at \$237,400.00 were also designated by the resolution. Mr. Stephens asked for the will of the board regarding Resolution #2022-8. Ms. Harmon motioned to approve Resolution #2022-8 which designates and budgets \$809,937.97 for economic development and infrastructure projects in accordance with PA 2019 Act 101. Mr. Panzer seconded. Mr. Burns confirmed it was a roll-call vote.

Mr. DeRosa – Aye  
Ms. Conner-Hallston – Aye  
Ms. Harmon – Aye  
Mr. Panzer – Aye  
Mr. Whiteside – Aye  
Mr. Stephens – Aye

Motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Stephens asked if anyone had any additional business? There was none.

He reminded all that the next MIRIA board meeting will be January 6, 2023 at 9am here in the Horsham Township Municipal Complex.

Mr. Bender commented that economic development monies from the program invested here in Horsham Township was certainly to the regions benefit. Mr. Stephens thanked him for his thoughts and agreed that that was the case.

With no other business, Mr. Stephens adjourned the meeting at approximately 10:07 am.

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Thomas Panzer, Secretary