

**Military Installation Remediation and  
Infrastructure Authority (“MIRIA”)  
Board Meeting Minutes  
June 3, 2022**

In attendance:

BOARD:

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

STAFF:

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

Mr. Whiteside opened the meeting with a Pledge of Allegiance at 9:00 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 May 6, 2022 meeting minutes. Mr. DeRosa motioned to approve the minutes of the May 6<sup>th</sup>, 2022 board meeting. Ms. Conner-Hallston 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 he had distributed with the board package a copy of the 2021 MIRIA Annual Report and reported that more than 12,000 copies had been mailed last week to residents and businesses in Horsham Township. He noted that this was the third such mailing as an annual report was mailed this time last year for 2020 and that in October a 2021 Interim Report was produced and mailed.

Mr. Burns confirmed May was a busy month as June 1<sup>st</sup> was a submission deadline for several items. Included in the board package was the Certification of Local Effort to the Department of Revenue which confirmed local effort of \$3,508,070 which potentially sets the pot for the program funding at 500% or about \$17.9 million. He expressed continued concern that with Toll Brothers and Teva moving out of the zone in recent years, that that could negatively impact the amount of funds available. In addition, also included in the board package was a Certification from the Montgomery County Recorder of Deeds as to the transfer of zone properties in 2021 and the resultant transfer tax. As may be recalled, the Department of Revenue recognized the

potential difficulty in capture transfer taxes from two parties, the buyer and seller, and agreed annually that a submission of a Certification by the County Recorder of Deeds would suffice. Before June 1, our Compliance Consultant also provided the Department of Revenue with an updated master list of zone parcels. He reminded the board that the reporting period for our program starts July 1<sup>st</sup> and is open through September 1<sup>st</sup>. Mr. Burns noted that Ms. Zosky is concerned that compliance in this cycle will be negatively impacted as the business reporting population has sizably increased as a result of the Toll Brothers development at the former Limekiln Golf Club as Toll has provided us a listing of 100 sub-contractors for the project.

Mr. Burns confirmed that he was on site last week at the GrandMa's Grotto property at 986 Easton Road and that the testing wells on the parcel have been decommissioned. In addition, a surveyor team was on site at the base property on May 31<sup>st</sup> and surveyed the area for which an easement has been requested of the Navy for traffic light and intersection improvements at West Moreland Avenue and Easton Road. That work will help define the easement area and will also be part of the submission for a permit from PennDOT for the street light and project. He concluded his remarks and asked if there were any questions of the board. There were none.

Mr. Whiteside noted the next agenda item was the ratification of the list of checks dated May 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2022. Mr. Panzer motioned for the ratification of the list of checks dated May 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2022 in the amount of \$5,268.18 for payment of postage for the MIRIA Annual Report and payment of MIRIA project costs. Mr. DeRosa seconded. All were in favor and the motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Whiteside noted the next agenda item was the approval of the list of checks. Mr. Panzer motioned for approval of the list of checks in the amount of \$569,805.34 to fund MIRIA operational and other expenses, MIRIA project costs and for disbursements to the Horsham Water and Sewer Authority and the Upper Southampton Municipal Authority of MIRIA Grants for cycles 2020 and 2021. Mr. DeRosa 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 reminded the next MIRIA board meeting was scheduled for Friday July 1st at 9:01am here at the Horsham Township building. He then adjourned the meeting at approximately 9:10 am.

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Thomas Panzer, Secretary