

NESHANNOCK CREEK WATERSHED JOINT MUNICIPAL AUTHORITY

Meeting Minutes

07/11/17

8:15 AM

ATTENDANCE

Bob Gregory, Jerry Johnson, John Lechner, Pat Suhrie, Dan Goncz, Dave Swartz, Karen Shipton. List of others present available in the Authority office.

****The Meeting Opened with the Pledge to the U.S. Flag at 8:15 AM****

APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM THE 06/13/17 MEETING AS PRESENTED

****A motion was made by John Lechner and seconded by Bob Gregory to approve the minutes from the 06/13/17 meeting as presented. Motion carried unanimously.***

PUBLIC COMMENT

Jenna Magee – 816 Mercer-G.C. Rd. – Multiple issues with sewage in the basement and having their yard tore up more than once. They are asking for some financial restitution.

Jared L. Reeher – 897 Butler Pike – Is purchasing this property and is planning to one day put a structure on it but there is nothing there but a mobile home that is not livable and not connected to utilities. Asking to have the grinder pump removed until he puts a structure there.

Erik Deitrick – 20 Clintonville Rd. – Was not informed of the sewer plans when they purchased the property. He is asking for additional time to pay the tapping fee and get caught up with monthly user fees.

The Board will look into all of the above issues and report back at the August 8, 2017 meeting.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Balance as of 6/30/17: (FNB) \$67,204.45

INVOICES SUBMITTED FOR PAYMENT

07/11/17

<u>PAYEE</u>	<u>SERVICE/PRODUCT</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
Findley Township	Reimb./Admin. Costs 2 nd Qtr/2017	3087.50
Pat Kelley	Inspections/Mileage	589.88
Penn Power	Electric/845 Perry Hwy.	2529.28
Penn Power	Electric/835A Perry Hwy.	71.56
Penn Power	Electric/57 Thompson Rd.	136.45
PA One Call System, Inc.	Monthly User Fee	5.10
Plantation Park Campers Assoc.	Electric Reimb.	163.27
Mercer County Recorder	Record Winger Easement	67.50
Tri-County Industries	Trash/845 Perry Hwy.	57.75
Tri-County Industries	Trash/57 Thompson Rd.	31.50
USA Blue Book	Maint/Supplies	498.00
Ace fix-it	Maint/Supplies	178.13
Gannett Fleming	Engineering Services	230.00
Jim Riddle	Maint/Supplies	8.00
Selective Insurance	Insurance	587.00
Barber's Chemicals	Chemicals	277.00
M. Davidson & Associates Inc.	Contract Operations	5457.00
John Lechner	Postage Reimb.	49.00
Total Invoices:		\$14,023.92

**A motion was made by John Lechner and seconded by Jerry Johnson to pay the bills submitted (listed above) with the addition of adding one invoice payable to John Lechner for postage reimbursement in the amount of \$49.00, totaling \$14,023.92. Motion carried unanimously.*

**A motion was made by John Lechner and seconded by Dave Swartz to pay only the bills that were approved at the 7/11/17 meeting with a single signature instead of two. Motion carried unanimously.*

**A motion was made by Jerry Johnson and seconded by John Lechner to approve the treasurer's report as presented. Motion carried unanimously.*

ENGINEER'S REPORT

A. Sewage Facilities Report

1. (2) Rights of Way Agreements – Sam Winger signed the easement and Clair and Patricia will sign theirs in the next day or so.

**A motion was made by John Lechner and seconded by Bob Gregory to approve payment of \$4348.00 to Samuel Winger for the right-of-way along Hopemill Rd. Motion carried unanimously.*

**A motion was made by John Lechner and seconded by Bob Gregory to approve payment of \$1408.00 to Clair and Patricia Winger for the right-of-way along Hope Mill Rd. Motion carried unanimously.*

2. Ron Bequeath/216 Hope Mill Rd./Mercer – Damaged farm equipment. This is between the contractors and not the Authority. He also claimed there was damage to his well when his drain line from the water softener was cut by the contractor and water backed up into his softener and then into his well. Dan explained to him there is no way this could have happened.

3. Thompson Pump Station – Dan is looking at installing a second screening facility and other options. He told Jim to stop calling the jail to be there at cleanings.

4. Plantation Park – June 19th excessive rainfall, they shut the pump station off. They

contacted Dan in June concerned about the electric usage, wanting to make sure they are getting reimbursed enough. Jim R. is contacting them when he goes to read the meter so they can have someone present also.

5. Still getting septic in the EQ tank, mostly coming from the pressure sewer on Hope Mill Rd. Dan thinks this is happening because the plant is flowing at about half the capacity that it can hold and we have 142 edu's not connected yet. There is concern over the properties that have not made connection and the fact that the grinder pump has been sitting there not being used. Dan is suggesting to pull these until the property owners make connection.

**A motion was made by John Lechner and seconded by Dave Swartz informing the property owners, by way of letter, who have not made connection to the sewer mains yet, that the Authority will be removing the grinder pump and there will be a fee of \$100.00 assessed to them to have the pump put back in place when they are ready to connect, on or after by 9/1/17 with the exception of McDonald's since they are gravity. Motion carried unanimously.*

6. Items from last meeting updated: 889 Scrubgrass Rd. – John Platt never returned Dan's call. Donald Wilson/Pilot Development – Dan stated they were connected according to Pat Kelley. a neighbor came in the office and said there is still a septic smell. Karen will call Pat and have him look into this.

7. **Mary Thompson**–Contractor met with her son over a year ago and said the issue was closed. The contractor is going to call her son again.

8. **Mortlands** – The well is on the other side of the grinder pump. The contractor went back out to check out the situation and he also had notes of the day he went out before the grinder pump was put into place and talked to the homeowner or someone living there.

OPERATOR'S REPORT

The effluent limits for the month were met. The flow is about 81,000/gal/day. The pinch valve on the ultraviolet disinfection system was cracked and leaking so a new one was provided by the manufacturer and the contractor and operator put it in.

OLD BUSINESS

A. Lien Letter Fee – Resolution 04-2017

**A motion was made by John Lechner and seconded by Jerry Johnson to approve Resolution 04-2017 allowing the Authority to assess a fee of \$20.00 payable to the Authority for each Lien Letter request. Motion carried unanimously.*

B. Shacklock Property/20 Cassidy Dr./Mercer – Tapping fee of \$3900.00 was received. They need to sign their grinder pump agreement.

**A motion was made by John Lechner and seconded by Dave Swartz to send a letter to the Shacklock's asking them to please come in and sign the grinder pump agreement and informing them we are only going to charge them \$3000.00 for the tap fee instead of \$3900.00 since they were further back and didn't have to connect, reimbursing them \$900.00. Motion carried unanimously.*

C. Line of Credit – Karen will find out if there are any fees for making this available.

NEW BUSINESS

A. Dennis DiRaimondo/8323 Lamor Rd. – He is connected to the mains but has paid no tapping fee. John Moon made the connection. Karen will check to see if he is making the monthly user fee. He is applying for the grant to cover the tap fee.

ADJOURNMENT

**A motion was made by John Lechner to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried unanimously.*

Meeting adjourned at 9:42 AM.

Respectfully Submitted;
Karen B. Shipton/Administrator