

NESHANNOCK CREEK WATERSHED JOINT MUNICIPAL AUTHORITY  
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369 McClelland Road  
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**MEETING MINUTES**  
**April 8, 2009**

**Officers:**

Chairman:  
Elliott G. Lengel  
Vice Chairman:  
Paul Minner  
Treasurer:  
Jerry Johnson  
Secretary:  
Brian Bader  
Asst Rec Sec'y:  
Karen Shipton

**Board**

**Members:**

Mercer County:  
Brian Bader  
Coolspring  
Twp:  
Paul Minner  
East Lack Twp:  
Allen Minshull  
Findley Twp:  
Elliott G. Lengel  
Mercer Boro:  
Jerry Johnson  
Springfield  
Twp:  
Randall Magee

The Authority meets the first month of each quarter on the second Wednesday of the month at 8:00 A.M. at the County Commissioner's Conference Room at the Mercer County Courthouse, Mercer, PA.

**THE NEXT MEETING IS SCHEDULED FOR WEDNESDAY, JUNE 10, 2009 AT 8:00 A.M.**

**ATTENDANCE**

Elliott Lengel, Dan Goncz, Jerry Johnson, Allen Minshull, Paul Minner, Dick Potter, Karen Shipton.

\*The Meeting Opened with the Affirming of the Pledge to the U.S. Flag

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

None.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

A motion was made by Paul Minner and seconded by Jerry Johnson to approve the minutes from the January 14, 2009 meeting. Motion carried.

**TREASURER'S REPORT**

**Beg. Bal.:** \$617.12. **Receipts:** \$.30/Interest. **Payments:** None. **Ending Bal.:** \$617.42. **CD:** \$10,000.00. Karen has notices ready for each municipality/county to pay dues of \$500.00 ea. and will mail them out May 1, 2009. A motion was made by Paul Minner and seconded by Allen Minshull to accept the treasurer's report as presented. Motion carried.

**ENGINEER'S REPORT**

Dan reported that a meeting took place in February between Findley & East Lackawannock Twps. to discuss the 537 Plan and the proposed sewage facilities project. Discussion centered around each municipality's number of edu's allocated in their inter-

municipal agreement with Mercer Borough. Findley has 125 and East Lack. has 100. It was suggested that Dan meet with Mercer Borough to discuss additional edu's or flow because the total project was going to have around 350 edu's. Dan did talk with Joe Kurtanich (mid-March) and went over the project in general where the connection points would be and who would under-take the project and (the way the 537 Plan is written, NCWJMA would under-take the project for these two municipalities) Joe suggested Dan put this all in a letter to Mercer Borough (they meet next week). Dan gave us a copy of the letter he sent to the borough. Dan suggested two revisions that need to take place:

- 1) There needs to be an agreement with NCWJMA/Mercer Borough.
- 2) We need additional flow for future growth/Dan requested this in his letter.

It's important to move quickly because federal stimulus money has been going into PennVest/Rural Development and also H20 (gaming money). In order to qualify for any of this funding, you must be shovel-ready within 180 days. Dick Potter added that there is a hierarchy that is used with grants (free money) first, then PennVest and if there are additional funds needed, tapping the public market. Interest rates are running around 4%. While DEP is reviewing, we need to be looking at funding options. Letter was mailed 3/27/09. We are hoping to have an agreement ready to be approved/signed at Mercer's June meeting. Total cost is estimated at \$3,750,000.00. This includes the capital contribution fee to Mercer of \$262,500.00 for tap-in fees. Some homes past the Mustang Bar would also be able to tap in even though they are in the borough. That would be worked out with the Borough of Mercer as part of the agreement. Plantation Park would be billed as a whole and each resident would be assessed from the park board.

### **ADDITIONAL COMMENTS**

Elliott Lengel stated that there were some comments made to him that some development ideas were in the works and they would like to see things move at a fast pace. Winger property was brought up again. Also, some talk of Reznor expanding and looking at Rt. 19 S. Dan stated that the Rt. 19 South property was not included in the 537 Plan but if anyone wanted to extend the sewage lines at their cost was welcome to do so.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

A motion was made by Paul Minner and seconded Allen Minshull to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:36 A.M.

Respectfully Submitted;

Karen B. Shipton  
Asst. Recording Secretary

