

LEHIGH TOWNSHIP MUNICIPAL AUTHORITY

February 6, 2025

The regular meeting of Lehigh Township Municipal Authority was held on Thursday, February 6, 2025. Board members Steve Arnold, Carl Sharpe, Duane Deppe and Phil Gogel were present as were Angelika Forndran, Ed Andres, Ken Fulford, Owen Baker and Dave Getz. Matt Motsko was absent. Chairman Arnold called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM.

The minutes of the January 2, 2025 meeting were presented for approval. Carl Sharpe made a motion to approve the minutes as written. Duane Deppe seconded the motion. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Dave Getz presented the financial report as follows:

Sewer Operating Account:

Balance January 2, 2025		\$790,664.17
User Fees, Penalties, etc.	\$88,099.35	
Operating Expenses	\$47,473.93	
Balance February 6, 2025		\$831,289.99
Assets: Truist Money Market	150,020.53	
Total Available		\$981,310.12
Truist CDs	\$506,108.34	
Sewer Balance February 6, 2025		\$1,487,418.46

The balance of our delinquent sewer system customers as of February 6 2025 is \$235,551.78.

Sewer Escrow Account:

Balance January 2, 2025		\$ 27,460.14
Receipts: Interest	\$.80	
Expenses	\$ 1,794.22	
Balance February 6, 2025		\$ 25,666.72
Total Sewer Accounts February 6, 2025		\$1,513,085.18

Water Operating Account:

Balance January 2, 2025		\$ 19,963.58
User Fees, Penalties, etc.	\$13,124.75	
Operating Expenses	\$ 2,664.15	
Truist Loan Payment	\$ 5,183.93	
Total Expenses \$	\$ 7,848.08	
Balance February 6, 2025		\$ 25,240.25

The balance of our delinquent water system customers as of February 6 is \$1,936.61.

Water Escrow Account:

Balance January 2 & February 6, 2025	\$ 114.90
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Total Water Accounts February 6, 2025	\$ 25,355.15
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The total bills to be paid from the Water Operating Account was \$7,848.08. Carl Sharpe made a motion to pay these bills. Duane Deppe seconded the motion. All voted aye. Motion carried.

The total bills to be paid from the Sewer Operating Account was \$47,473.93. Carl Sharpe asked what was included on the Winter-Generator invoice. Dave Getz said it was for the PM work for both Pennsville and Danielsville generators. He said it was a three year contract for the PM work. Duane Deppe made a motion to pay these bills. Phil Gogel seconded the motion. All voted aye. Motion carried.

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On the Operators Report, Ken Fulford said the biggest problem the past month is the frigid weather. He said the waste lines and sampler at Danielsville were frozen. Ken reported that three of the reed beds were cut. He said the last bed will be cut when it gets colder again.

On the Engineering Report, Angelika Forndran said the DCED PA Small Water & Sewer grant cycle is now open for 2/3/25 to 4/30/25. She will need a Resolution to authorize Cowan Associates to prepare the grant application for generators. Phil Gogel made a motion to authorize our Solicitor to prepare a Resolution for Cowan to prepare an application for the DCED PA Small Water and Sewer grant. Duane Deppe seconded the motion. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Angelika said notification of the LSA Grant award in the amount of \$702,000.00 was received on 10/24/2024. She said Agreement No. C000092311 was provided to Steve Arnold and Duane Deppe via e-mail on 1/29/2025 to be executed by 3/15/2025.

On the Wood Drive Pump Station, the Huber technician annual inspection occurred on 1/2/2025. The system generally is operating well but he recommended a full rebuild of the wash press wear bar and for LTMA to order shelf spare solenoid actuators and solenoid diaphragm rebuilt id. Dave Getz received the report and will order the required parts.

On the Northwoods Development, Angelika said nothing is currently moving forward. She said Jim Perano of GSP will be contacting the contractor for an update.

On the Blue Mountain Minor Subdivision project, she said Bellview Pump is to mark the PA One-Call for submission of the HOP application with the developer.

On the Hilltop Center, Angelika said the Jaindl people will be at the Lehigh Township Supervisor's meeting on Tuesday, February 11, 2025. Members of LTMA and Cowan Associates will be at the meeting for any information required on the project. She noted that some of the permits with the Township are expiring soon and needed to be addressed.

On the DRBC Docket Renewals, Angelika said the Danielsville WWTP final docket was received on 12/16/24. The draft Pennsville Docket will be on the DRBC 2/5/25 Public Hearing and 3/12/25 Business Meeting.

Board member Carl Sharpe asked if anything has happened yet for the repair on the broken pipe on Blue Mountain Drive. Neither Angelika or Dave Getz have not heard from PPL. Angelika will have Audrey Wood contact PPL to set up a work order for the repair work.

Carl asked if the scheduling for the remaining CCTV work as maintenance with Bellview Pump has been started. Angelika set Bellview will be working on the job shortly.

On the Solicitor's Report, Ed Andres said a Municipal Lien was filed at the Courthouse on delinquent sewer system customer Staich. Ed said a judicial sale will be done in the next month or two.

There being no further business to conduct, Carl Sharpe made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Duane Deppe seconded the motion. All voted aye. Motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 6:50 PM.