

The regular meeting of Lehigh Township Municipal Authority was held on Thursday, June 6, 2024. Board members Carl Sharpe, Duane Deppe and Phil Gogel were present as were Ed Andres, Angelika Forndran, Ken Fulford, Alyssa Fulford, Owen Baker and Dave Getz. Board members Matt Motsko and Steve Arnold were absent. Chairman Sharpe called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM.

The minutes of the May 2, 2024 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 May 2, 2024		\$158,146.81
User Fees, Penalties, etc.	\$64,202.62	
Operating Expenses	\$45,119.01	
Balance June 6, 2024		\$177,230.41
Assets: Truist Money Market	\$150,010.49	
Total Available		\$327,240.90
Truist CDs	\$506,083.38	
Sewer Balance of June 6, 2024		\$833,324.28

The balance of our delinquent sewer system customers as of June 6, 2024 is \$237,755.17.

Sewer Escrow Account:		
Balance May 2, 2024		\$ 31,462.09
Receipts – Interest	\$ .77	
Balance June 6, 2024		\$ 31,462.86
Total Sewer Accounts June 6, 2024		\$864,787.14

Water Operating Account:		
Balance May 2, 2024		\$ 37,889.76
User Fees, Penalties, etc.	\$3,744.62	
Operating Expenses	\$1,699.14	
Balance June 6, 2024		\$ 39,935.24

The balance of our delinquent water systems customers as of June 6, 2024 is \$2,184.19.

Water Escrow Account:		
Balance May 2 & June 6, 2024 is		\$ 114.90
Total Water Accounts June 6, 2024		\$ 40,050.14

The total bills to be paid from the Water Operating Account is \$1,699.14. Phil Gogel 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 \$45,119.02. Carl Sharpe asked Dave Getz what the \$9,000.00 invoice from Envirep was. Dave said it was for the 3-way rotating assembly for the Wood Drive Pump Station. Phil Gogel made a motion to pay these bills. Duane Deppe seconded the motion. All voted aye. Motion carried.

On the Operations Report, Alyssa Fulford said the chlorine contact tank is mostly done. Bellview Pump made the repairs needed and the second side of the contact tank will be cleaned out next week. She added that there was an automated flushing system on the system originally that we never knew about.

Alyssa said the Standard Operating Procedure has been completed for all daily operations at both plants.

Alyssa said the Automation Resources new PLC is operational but needs a few changes. Dave Getz said they will be in on Friday June 7 to installed the new Wonderware program which should fix the problems that have been happening from the Operators. Dave also said the alarm system has not been working since the PLC was installed. The Wonderware package will correct that.

Alyssa reported that the Pennsville generator is not working correctly. It has been running on it's own without a power failure happening. Dave Getz said Winter-Engine Generator will be in on Friday June 6 to repair the problem with the generator as well as to perform the semi-annual PM work on both generators.

Ken Fulford said we did have a violation due to high fecal and coliform samples mainly because of the problems on the new PLC. We were not able to aerate the plant for nearly 3 days until the problem was resolved.

Alyssa said the Consumer Confidence Report for the water system is done. Dave Getz said it will be mailed out to all water customers when the next billing is sent out on June 28, 2024. Alyssa added that the Chapter 110 Report has been completed.

On the Engineering Report, Angelika Forndran said only one bid was received from Spectraserv Inc. was the restoration of the sludge disposal reed beds. The original bid was for \$289,534.00. Angelika provided a table showing the costs for proceeding with the reed bed project or rejecting the bid and continue to haul the sludge out. After a discussion, Carl Sharpe said he wanted to have comments from the two Board members that were missing at this meeting before we decide to reject the bid of haul. He told Dave Getz to send a message to the two missing members for their opinions.

On the Pump Stations, Angelika said the Butternut Drive & Elm Drive Pump Stations are not working good and the flow readings are now correct. On the Wood Drive Pump Station, she said the operator has been working on the screen basket and washer system and are working much better. She said the grease still needs to be cleaned out to improve the system.

On the System Infiltration Inflow, Angelika said there were twenty rain events totaling 4.77 inches at the Danielsville WWTP. There was a difference of 15.08% from the Omni-Site and the Danielsville WWTP reading.

On the Pipe Data View CCTV work, Angelika provided the summary report. Bellview Pump and PPL are working on getting the hole repaired on Blue Mountain Drive as high priority work. Angelika said beside the hole in the pipe, there were other problems noted with broken laterals, joints, manhole seals, etc. that will need to be bid for repairs. She will provide information for what repairs should be on the quote, probably not until September or October when more contractors will be willing to take the job.

On the mobile home park calibrations, Angelika said the Heritage Village meters should be calibrated soon. Dave Getz said he did receive the calibration info from Jim Perano at Heritage Village. He will send copies to Angelika. She said the Mountain View Mobile Home Park calibration needs to be done yet and Audrey Wood should be there when it is done.

On the Tim Pitts Development project, Angelika received updated plans and opinion of probable costs from PA DEP letter dated May 31, 2024. She said Pitts should send escrow money to LTMA prior to Cowan filing their plan review. Dave Getz will forward a request for escrow.

On the Hilltop Center, nothing new has happened. Angelika said there was an invoice for \$500.00 from PA DEP for the Chapter 102 Individual NPDES Permit at the Pennsville Water Booster Station. Dave Getz said he paid this invoice on LTMA Check 8525 to the Commonwealth of PA. Angelike said Hilltop Center should be reimbursing LTMA for payment of that invoice.

On the Lehigh Township new maintenance building project, Angelika said Cowan witnessed passing vacuum test of the doghouse Manhole on April 16, 2024. She said Cowan requested the cover be replaced with one indication LTMA Sanitary.

On the Service Line Inventory, Angelika asked Dave Getz to forward copies of the line survey and pictures received from the water customers.

On New Business, Dave Getz said the next scheduled meeting of the LTMA Board is on July 4, 2024. Dave provided two options of July 3 or July 10 to move the meeting due to the holiday. The Board decided to move the meeting to Wednesday, July 3, 2024 at 6:00 PM. Dave will advertise the meeting change in the paper.

On the Solicitor's Report, Atty. Andres requested an Executive Session at 7:25 PM. Upon their return at 7:40 PM, he said the Executive Session was concerning the Water Company Loan.

There being no further business to conduct, Phil Gogel made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Duane Deppe seconded the motion. All voted aye. Motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 7:40 PM.