

**BOROUGH OF KUTZTOWN
WATER/WASTEWATER COMMITTEE MEETING
MINUTES OF MAY 14, 2025**

A regular meeting of the Water/Wastewater Committee was held on Wednesday, May 14, 2025 at the Kutztown Municipal Building, 45 Railroad Street.

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by Mr. Ed Seyler, Chairman. Members present were: Mr. Ed Seyler, Ms. Lisa Ladd-Kidder and Dr. Derek Mace. Also in attendance: Mr. Gabriel Khalife, Borough Manager; Mrs. Sharon Dalickas, Finance Director/Asst. Treasurer; Mr. Mike Miller, Sewer Plant Manager; Mr. Troy Smith, Water Plant Manager, and Mr. Jim Schlegel, Mayor. Public Attendance: Jim Schmoyer

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The April 9, 2025 meeting minutes were reviewed by members. Motion by Dr. Mace and seconded by Ms. Ladd-Kidder to approve the April 9, 2025 minutes as written. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

WATER UTILITIES

Water report:

Gallons pumped for April 2025 – 22,933,000

Daily average pumped April 2025 – 739,000

Precipitation for April 2024 – 2.2”

Discuss SSM Report

Ms. Ladd-Kidder recommended that Borough Council accept the SSM Watershed report and discussed the distribution of said report. Motion by Ms. Ladd-Kidder and seconded by Dr. Mace to send the report to Borough Council for approval. She also requested that we accept the SSM proposal for additional evaluation of the effects on the aquifer of the quarry increasing their pumping from 5000 gpm to 8,000 gpm at a cost of \$1,000.00.

Discuss Replacing Backwash Valve and Actuator on Filter #1

Mr. Smith explained that a backwash valve and actuator on Filter #1 needed to be replaced and recommended that Alltek Industrial replace the valve and actuator at a cost of \$18,940.00. This is a maintenance project that does not have to be bid. Committee approved replacement by Alltek Industrial.

Off Agenda Items

Ms. Ladd-Kidder discussed a voter referendum to keep our water utility municipal and unable to be sold to a private entity. Mr. Khalife explained that a referendum is not needed as the sale of the utility would have to be approved by Council.

WASTEWATER UTILITIES

Sewer report:

Influent flow for April 2025 – 37,600,200

Effluent flow for April 2025 – 35,265,500

Daily Average Influent Flow April 2025 – 1,253,340

Melted precipitation April – 2.2”

Payment Application for Allgyer Enterprises for \$10,025.00 for Highland Avenue Sewer Repairs

Mr. Miller presented Committee members with the final payment application for Highland Avenue sewer repairs. Members directed Mr. Miller to forward the request, in the amount of \$10,025.00, to Borough Council for approval.

Update on Sludge Press Project

Mr. Miller discussed his request to have BDP conduct a trial with a screw press the week after Memorial Day. Members directed Mr. Miller to move forward with the trial.

Off Agenda Items

Mr. Miller presented the invoice for Mr. Rehab for Highland Avenue repair work. Members directed Mr. Miller to forward the invoice, in the amount of \$154,112.50, for cleaning and televising 2,705 feet of sewer line; installing a Cure in Place Plastic (CIPP) liner; and reinstating all laterals into the main, to Borough Council for approval.

The Committee discussed flow in the lateral from 770 East Walnut Street. Mr. Smith will check for water leaks around the area. If no water leaks are found the Committee approved to have Mr. Rehab T-line a portion of the lateral with a cost of \$8,540.00

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to discuss, motion by Dr. Mace and seconded by Ms. Ladd-Kidder, to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried and the meeting was adjourned at 8:25 p.m.