

**BOROUGH OF KUTZTOWN  
WATER/WASTEWATER COMMITTEE MEETING  
MINUTES OF APRIL 12, 2023**

A regular meeting of the Water/Wastewater Committee was held on Wednesday, April 12, 2023, at the Kutztown Municipal Building, 45 Railroad Street.

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 PM. by Mr. Ed Seyler, Chairman. Members present were: Mr. Ed Seyler, Dr. Derek Mace, and Ms. Lisa Ladd-Kidder. Also in attendance: Mr. Gabriel Khalife, Borough Manager; Mr. Troy Smith, Water Plant Manager; Mr. Mike Miller, Sewer Plant Manager; and Mr. Jim Schlegel, Mayor. Public Attendance: None

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

The March 8, 2023, meeting minutes were reviewed by members. Motion by Ms. Ladd-Kidder and seconded by Dr. Mace to approve the March 8, 2023, minutes as written. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

There were no public comments.

**WATER UTILITIES**

Water report:

Gallons pumped for March 2023 – 21,022,000

Daily average pumped March 2023 – 678,129

Precipitation for March 2023 – 2.4”

**Wentz Street Grant Discussion**

Mr. Smith noted to the Committee that the grant application was not awarded. After a discussion the Committee requested Mr. Smith to contact HRG to get an updated cost estimate to tie in the line from Greenwich Street to the end of the line.

**Discuss on the PADEP Inspection Follow-Up Report**

Mr. Smith explained that his department followed through on all the findings in the PADEP report, and indicated to the PADEP representative that he submitted the paperwork, which in turn, they concurred and indicated it is on their desk for process. Mr. Smith is awaiting their response to what was submitted.

**Leak Update**

Mr. Smith stated that the Water Department repaired a number of water leaks, via leak detection and corrections and repairs, which resulted in the January water loss rate of 67% decreasing to 19%.

**Discuss the New PADEP PFAS MCL Rule**

After a brief discussion and update from Mr. Smith that if the Borough follows through with the testing now, we will need to undertake the cost to address any issues. If the Committee changes course and deferred the previous action the Borough can wait until January 2024 to begin testing. The Committee recommended that Mr. Smith wait to defer the costs.

**KMA request for a 'Will Serve' Letter for 15295 Kutztown Road**

Motion to request of the Borough of Kutztown to provide a 'Will Serve' letter for 15295 Kutztown Road, to serve water, as requested by the KMA, for the continued dental office use, now Sparkle Dental, and the EDU's still need to be determined. Motion by Mr. Mr. Mace and seconded by Ms. Ladd-Kidder. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

**Off Agenda Items**

Mr. Smith noted that the owner of 7 South Kemp Road inquired about water service, which can be done, but no formal request to serve has been made.

**WASTEWATER UTILITIES**

Sewer report:

Influent flow for March 2023 – 35,554,400

Effluent flow for March 2023 – 33,064,500

Daily Average Influent Flow March 2023 – 1,146,900

Melted precipitation March 2023 – 2.5"

**KMA request for a 'Will Serve' Letter for 15295 Kutztown Road** – Motion to request of the Borough of Kutztown to provide a 'Will Serve' letter for 15295 Kutztown Road, to serve wastewater, as requested by the KMA, for the continued dental office use, now Sparkle Dental, and the EDU's still need to be determined. Motion by Mr. Mr. Mace and seconded by Ms. Ladd-Kidder. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

**Discuss to Give KU Low Temp Incubator That is No Longer In Use**

Mr. Miller indicated that the devices have not been utilized for several years and even if used, we still would need to perform the testing through the lab. Motion by Mr. Mr. Mace and seconded by Ms. Ladd-Kidder. The motion passed by unanimous vote to recommend Council give the units to KU.

**Off Agenda Items**

Mr. Ladd-Kidder inquired about the enforcement side of the recent Wastewater ordinance passed. Mr. Miller indicated that enforcement is incorporated into the ordinance and will be pursued when violations are identified.

**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 8:15PM.