

**BOROUGH OF KUTZTOWN
WATER/WASTEWATER COMMITTEE MEETING
MINUTES OF APRIL 9, 2025**

A regular meeting of the Water/Wastewater Committee was held on Wednesday, April 9, 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: Mrs. Sharon Dalickas, Finance Director/Asst. Treasurer; Mr. Mike Miller, Sewer Plant Manager; Mr. Troy Smith, Water Plant Manager, Mr. Jim Schlegel, Mayor; and Ms. Jill Remick, Recording Secretary. Public Attendance: Ms. Lynn Rodino, SSM and Ms. Teresa Blauch, SSM, who called into the meeting.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The March 12, 2025 meeting minutes were reviewed by members. Motion by Dr. Mace and seconded by Ms. Ladd-Kidder to approve the March 12, 2025 minutes as written. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

WATER UTILITIES

Water report:

Gallons pumped for March 2025 – 22,774,000

Daily average pumped March 2025 – 734,645

Precipitation for March 2024 – 3.5"

SSM Reivew of Watershed

Ms. Blauch, who has been involved in hydro studies for 33 years, reviewed SSM's report with the Committee and answered member questions.

Request for Reimbursement for Water Heater at 101 S. Laurel St.

Mr. Smith explained the request from the owner of 101 S. Laurel St. Motion by Ms. Ladd-Kidder and seconded by Dr. Mace to recommend Brough Council take action to reimburse the owner of 101 S. Laurel Street \$820.85, which is one half of the presented plumber's invoice. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

Release of Security Bond for St. Luke's Project

This item will be handled through KMA.

Discuss Service Line Verification Options

Mr. Smith discussed with Committee members the options available to complete the verification process within the approved protocol of DEP. While the purchase of the

Swordfish apparatus would be less expensive than potholing, the downside would be making hundreds of appointments with residents to obtain access to their water line, and the personnel needed to complete such a process. Mr. Smith suggested the Borough pinpoint areas/streets with the most unknowns and replace those water mains, thus giving the Water Department access to the service lines in question, while replacing old water mains. Members were in agreement to request HRG start a capital plan.

Off Agenda Items

None

WASTEWATER UTILITIES

Sewer report:

Influent flow for March 2025 – 32,556,800

Effluent flow for March 2025 – 30,205,530

Daily Average Influent Flow March 2025 – 1,050,219

Melted precipitation March 2025 – 3.5”

Discuss \$170.10 Sewer Credit Request for 330 W. Main Street, 2nd Floor Due to the Failure of a Pressure Relief Valve and Expansion Tank

Committee members reviewed the plumber's letter. Motion by Ms. Ladd-Kidder and seconded by Dr. Mace to recommend Borough Council take action to ratify a sewer credit, in the amount of \$170.10, due to the leaked water not being processed through the Wastewater Treatment Plant. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

Update on Sludge Press Project

Mr. Miller stated he visited one plant with a sludge press and he would prefer a raised building as opposed to building a structure on the ground.

Off Agenda Items

None

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 9:21 p.m.