

SUMMIT TOWNSHIP WATER AUTHORITY
Regular Business Meeting
Tuesday, June 7, 2022

The regular business meeting of the Summit Township Water Authority was called to order by Chairman Davis at 6:00 p.m., followed by a salute to the flag. Present were Authority members Kurtz, Stevens, Schaefer and Lacey. Also present were Solicitor Blakely, Engineer Zack, Manager B. Hiles and Recording Secretary K. Hiles. There was no one in the audience.

CALL TO ORDER

Motion by Kurtz, seconded by Schaefer, to approve the May 3, 2022 minutes as presented, having been reviewed by all Board members.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

VOTE: 5/0

Motion by Stevens, seconded by Schaefer, to approve the May Treasurer's Report as submitted.

**APPROVAL OF
TREASURER'S REPORT**

VOTE: 5/0

Motion by Schaefer, seconded by Lacey, that said amounts be drawn upon the treasury for payment of the May 2022 expenses.

APPROVAL OF EXPENSES

VOTE: 5/0

Engineer Zack reported we are still waiting for DEP response regarding Route 19 and 97 Water Allocation Permits.

**PERMITTING FOR ROUTE 19
AND 97 TAKEPOINTS**

Zack provided an update on the following funding options being pursued:

**UPDATE ON FUNDING OPTIONS
BEING PURSUED**

- Applications for PA Small Water and Sewer Grants are still not being accepted by the state.
- Pennvest Principal Forgiveness Program; we do not qualify because the community median household income is well above the qualifications.
- Zack and Hiles met with Township Supervisors requesting \$100,000 to \$150,000 from the American Rescue Plan funds. A resolution needs signed by the Supervisors before money can be disbursed. They will meet 6/8/2022 to discuss further.

We have several projects that need to be done between 2022 and 2024, they include:

UPCOMING PROJECTS

- Install 8" Pressure Reducing Valve on Hamot Road (To be completed in 2022)
- Erie Water Works is requiring that we install an above grade backflow device at Hershey Road Pump Station (To be completed in 2022 and the cost could be as high as \$75,000 or \$80,000)
- DEP is requiring a Bulk Water Filling Station be put in by 2025 (We have slated to be completed by 2024)
- CT is proposing a Rate Study to help guide us in determining where our rates should be based on our infrastructure and up-coming expenses (To be completed in 2022)
- Our Risk Management Company highly recommends we get an Asset Appraisal done for our system (To be completed in 2022)
- Hamot Road Roundabout Commitment (To be completed in 2022)

- Replacement of aging pumps at Hershey Road Pump Station (To be completed by 2023)

Geologist Clark from R. Rindfuss Drilling, L.P. expressed the need to re-sample Well #4 at Moore Road because of the possibility of the first sample being contaminated by the lab. The new samples will be sent to two independent laboratories.

MOORE ROAD WELL #4

Engineer Zack and Manager Hiles are discussing updating requirements for Backflow Prevention for Commercial and Industrial Customers.

BACKFLOW PREVENTION FOR COMMERCIAL/INDUSTRIAL

Lastly, the Authority is in negotiations with VNET to put a Booster Data Rack on the Old Perry Highway Take Point property.

VNET BOOSTER DATA RACK

With respect to Old Hershey Road Pump Station, Manager Hiles informed the Board we are in the process of getting it surveyed and we have most of the materials needed to build the block building addition.

OLD HERSHEY ROAD PUMP STATION

Manager Hiles has checked around for possible sites for the Bulk Water takepoint and found two possibilities, first is Ball Park Road and second is where the old Township Building was.

BULK WATER TAKEPOINT POSSIBLE SITES

In other business, Schaefer wanted to share that he is very happy with the smooth transition from Manager Mitchell to Manager Hiles.

OTHER BOARD BUSINESS

With no further business to come before the Authority, motion by Stevens, seconded by Schaefer, to adjourn the meeting at 6:22 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

VOTE: 5/0

Respectfully submitted,

Kathlene M. Hiles
Recording Secretary 6/13/22