

West Hanover Township Authority Meeting Minutes
September 22nd, 2021 at 5:00 pm
14 Attendees including board, staff, engineer, solicitor and public

1. CALL TO ORDER: Mr. Fowler called the meeting to order at 5 pm

2. ROLL CALL: All board members present except Mr. Geppert

3. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES:

a. Monthly meeting minutes from August 4th, 2021

A motion was made to approve the minutes as presented. Moved by Mr. Steinmeier, seconded by Ms. Zimmerman. Motion passed.

4. CORRESPONDANCE: None

5. BOARD COMMENT / ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Mr. Fowler informed everyone that the Board of Supervisors formally appointed Mr. Gossert as manager of the stormwater Authority.

6. PUBLIC COMMENT:

James Bailey – 7439 Manor Drive

Commented on Hurricane Ida, protecting the watershed, and future building in the township that is adding impervious area.

7. PRESENTATIONS, STAFF & BOARD REPORTS:

a. **Administration**

i. Alexis' activity report for August

In addition, Mr. Fowler has asked Alexis to prepare a stormwater complaint log to include in the board packet for future meetings.

b. **Public Works**

The board and Mr. Gossert discussed receiving the final cost reports from public works in a timelier manner.

c. **MS4 Projects**

i. Rettew update

Mr. Shradley informed the survey field work is complete for both Beaver Creek and the UNT to Beaver Creek and the in-house drawings are about 80% complete.

8. TREASURER'S REPORT:

Mr. Shradley stated the Mid Penn bank balance as of was 9/16/21 \$914,391.89

a. Approval of invoices totaling \$6,778.23 (Salzmann Hughes, Keystone Collections, HRG, Rettew, Light Heigel)

A motion was made to approve the invoices as presented. Moved by Mr. Shradley, seconded by Mr. Steinmeier. Motion passed.

Mr. Shradley reported the following collections numbers from Keystone:

b. July Keystone Collections report - \$5,164.30

i. 2020 Collections: \$2,571.84

- ii. July Collections: \$2,592.46
- c. August Collections report - \$9,294.78
 - i. 2020 Collections: \$1,344.20
 - ii. August Collections: \$7,950.58

9. OLD BUSINESS:

a. Update on COE

Mr. Gossert stated we received a proposal for approximately \$224,000 from the Corps. Of Engineers on a partnership program where they split 50% with us. That entails a rapid assessment of our system which will help create an infrastructure plan and will allow us to see which pipes need immediate attention, so we can be proactive and not always act on emergency repairs. The board discussed a timetable of early 2022.

b. PennVest commitment

Mr. Gossert had no new information to provide. Mr. Fowler reminded the public that the Authority is exploring the possibility of going through PennVest for funding with our capital projects. PennVest would allow us to finance projects over a 20-year period with around a 2% interest rate. Smaller projects we can do out of the budget but major projects we'll look to fund through PennVest.

10. NEW BUSINESS:

a. Approval of Credits:

- i. C21-06: 1352 Appleby Court, Recommendation: Approval of rain barrel credit \$52
- ii. C21-07: 7704 Farmdale Avenue, Recommendation: Approval of rain barrel credit \$52

A motion was made to approve both credits. Moved by Mr. Shradley, seconded by Ms. Zimmerman, motion passed.

b. HRG Assessment of Township Property of Wastewater Plant (Lakeside Replacement Project)

Mr. Greenly stated there were 2 streams at the Waste Treatment facility on Jonestown Road. HRG walked the site, it was difficult to get into being it was summer and extremely vegetated. They did find there were areas of severe bank erosion where it was determined it was a viable project. They would like to go back when the vegetation drops to get a better look at the areas that need to be focused on. It was confirmed this is on Township property.

The board discussed the PSATS conference they virtually attended on 9/21 as well as partnerships with PennDOT for potential projects where there is a state road within 100 feet,

11. PUBLIC COMMENT:

None

12. BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS:

- a. Gloria Zimmerman – Reminded everyone to treat all with kindness and respect
- b. Mike Geppert – n/a
- c. Max Shradley – Thanked the Township for hosting the fall community fest
- d. Don Steinmeier – Commented on the PSATS webinar
- e. Robert Fowler - None

13. ADJOURNMENT:

Mr. Fowler entertained a motion to adjourn. Moved by Mr. Steinmeier, seconded by Mr. Shradley. Motion passed. Meeting ended at 5:47 pm

Upcoming Meeting Dates:

September 22nd, 2021 @ 6 pm: Budget Workshop (Expenditure)

October 6th, 2021 @ 6:30 pm: (Monthly Meeting)

October 13th, 2021 @ 6 pm: Budget Workshop (Revenue)