

**BETHEL PARK MUNICIPAL AUTHORITY
3100 Piney Fork Road, South Park, PA 15129-9001**

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

February 27, 2025

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1. Regular Meeting Call to Order

a.) Chairman Hannan called the BPMA Regular Meeting for February 27, 2025 to order at 7: 00 PM.

2. Roll Call

a.) Secretary Beaver called the roll. Present for roll call: Messrs.: James Hannan, William Ruhl, Dave Brodnos, Bruce Beaver, Tim Moury, Daniel Cheberenchick and Mike Janosik. Also present: Mr. Joseph Gaydos, Gaydos Law PC; Mr. Dan Goodwin of Wade Trim; Mr. Scott Dunn, WWTP Supervisor; Mr. Jake Miller, Assistant Plant Supervisor; and Ms. Abigail Corrigan, Bethel Park Sanitary Sewer Engineer.

3. Approval of Minutes

a.) Mr. Hannan called for a motion to approve the BPMA Regular Meeting Minutes of January 23, 2025.

Mr. Ruhl motioned to approve. Mr. Moury seconded.

Roll call was unanimous. Motion passed 7-0.

b.) Mr. Hannan called for a motion to approve the BPMA Reorganization Meeting Minutes of January 23, 2025. Mr. Cheberenchick motioned to approve. Mr. Beaver seconded. Roll call was unanimous. Motion passed 7-0.

4. Correspondence

Mr. Hannan discussed the following correspondence to the Board:

a.) A letter dated February 11, 2025 to the BPMA from the Southwestern Water Resource Center. RE: Conference at the David L Lawrence Convention Center, Pittsburgh, PA., in July 2025. The conference is a Water Summit for water sector leaders, professionals and advocates to discuss the challenges facing our water systems and consider actionable solutions. Mr. Hannan suggested that Mr. Moury, BPMA PENNVest contact, represent the BPMA because of his knowledge and influence. Mr. Jahid Burns, Bethel Park Municipality Assistant Manager, will also be invited to attend. Board members are also invited to attend. Attendees may notify Mr. Dunn to be registered to participate.

b.) Mr. Hannan explained Municipal Authority Community Engageent Award which is given annually to PMAA member authorities who are going above and beyond to communicate the value of their authority and provide excellent service to their community. Board members who wish to submit the BPMA for the award may fill out the form with the service information.

c.) Mr. Hannan also advised the Board of additional PMAA education opportunities.

i.) Board Member Training March 20, 2025 at the DoubleTree in Cranberry, PA.. Mr. Janosik will attend. All Board members are welcome to attend.

ii.) The PMAA Management Workshop will be held on May 1 ,2025 at Seven Springs for 1 day. Board members are welcome to attend.

5. WWTP Report

a.) Mr. Miller reported on the following:

i.) There was a major rainfall February 15- 16, 2025 resulting in 1.24 inches of rain. All EQ tanks were full. There were no overflows at the WWTP or LRPS.

iii.) Staff discovered an issue 2 days ago with the chrome magmeter with more flow going out than coming in. They are drying out the pit the magmeter and it seems to be working better. Mr. Dunn asked Mr. Beaver if magmeter representatives are doing the startups for the 13 meters South Park Township purchased. Mr. Beaver responded that the reps will do the startups when all the meters are installed in the system. Mr. Dunn added that if they need a factory reps assistance with the BPMA magmeters he will loop in while the rep is in South Park to avoid the additional service call travel charges.

Mr. Dunn explained to the Board the problems with the megameter.

iv.) Eaton fixed the failures on the trickling filter drives.

v.) Staff is working on repairs to the effluent filter.

vi.) Support cables for the trickling filter distribution still need to be fixed. The temporary fix is working fine.

vii.) The leak on trickling filter #1 still needs patched.

viii.) They started up the aluminium sulfate again. The reading has been below 2 for the last 2 weeks. The wet weather has affected the aluminium sulfate readings.

ix.) Staff rebuilt 1 digester circulating pump and started rebuilding the second.

x.) A worn out propeller was approved for reorder.

xi.) Staff completed a major rebuild of 1 marlow pump and wistart on rebuilding the 2nd marlow pump.

xii.) Monday March 17, 2025 is the Emergency Response Meeting for Fire Departments at the WWTP.

xiii.) There is no additional information on the Representative Summer Lee Grant or the LSA Grant.

xiii.) No limits were exceeded for the month of January 2025.

xiv.) The EPA has halted PFAS requirements in permits but PFAS requirements could fall to the state. Mr. Moury added that the EPA could put PFAS requirements back in but would need to go through the entire public process again.

6. Municipal Engineering Reports- South Park, Bethel Park

a.) Mr. Beaver reported on South Park Township's projects:

- i.) South Park Township has a meeting scheduled with Insituform for them to come on site and review the project.
- ii.) Maintenance, flushing and cctving continue throughout the Township.
- iii. South Park is waiting on signed contracts and Insurance documents.

b.) Ms. Corrigan reported on Bethel Park's projects:

- i.) Ms. Corrigan attended the Bethel Park Council Committee Meeting to officially recommend that the Bethel Park projects contracts be awarded to the low bidder.
- ii.) The rain event February 15-16, 2025 resulted in overflows at the Pebble Creek Apartments, Milford Drive and Orchard Avenue. Ms. Corrigan will submit the final report on the overflows when she receives the flow monitoring data.
- iii.) Ms. Corrigan will be in Court for a code violation at the farm property where the sewer line was graded over and access to the line obstructed.
- iv.) She is working to get a backflow valve installed on property on Pickwick Drive. Rhino Plumbing will provide a quote for the backflow valve The property owner will need to have plumbing repair work completed before the backflow valve can be installed.
- v.) Ms. Corrigan is working n a longer -term Capital Planning Program for the sewer system for work to be done. She anticipates presenting the program to Bethel Park Council at their March Committee Meeting.
- vi.) Ms. Corrigan spoke with an engineer From Mt. Lebanon on coordination of post construction flow monitoring for the Painters' Run Project which is part of the Consent Order work. The Consent Order deadline for this project is June 2026.
- vii.) KLH engineers will be at the WWTP tomorrow to do a walkaround and kickoff meeting as part of their peer review.
- viii.) There will also be bench testing for phosphorous removal chemicals tomorrow.

7. Wade Trim Professional Engineering Services Report

Mr. Goodwin reported on the following:

a.) WWTP

- i.) The peer review is in progress.
- ii.) Wade Trim has been discussing coordinating sampling results with Waste Management. Wade Trim received 7 years of data from Waste Management for quarterly results for copper, phosphorous and cyanide. Mr. Goodwin discussed the results of the testing with the Board.
- iii.) Mr. Dunn suggested bring Waste Management reps to the WWTP and providing them a sampling protocol of what the BPMA needs sampled. Mr. Dunn added that we need to discuss with Waste Management including limits to their leachate agreement. Since the BPMA has limits we need to pass limits on to Waste Management. Mr. Dunn advised the Board that the agreement with Waste

Management allows him to open the agreement and add anything additional or increased in the NPDES Permit.

b.) Miscellaneous Items

- i.) Planning Modules- There are no planning modules for approval at this meeting.
- ii.) Back and Gold Playground- The Health Department has asked for additional information. The playground is for 4 EDU's. The Health Department asked for a capacity (flow) letter and a path of flow from the site to the WWTP. Mr. Goodwin provided the information to the developer.
- iii.) The GROW Grant cycle is open for ALCOSAN. Letters of interest are due March 31, 2025. Ms. Corrigan has a project to submit.

c.) Annual Reports-

- i.) Mr. Hannan called for a motion that we approve the submission of the Chapter 94 Report for the ALCOSAN Service Area. Mr. Moury motioned to approve. Mr. Cheberenchick seconded. Roll call was 6-1 with Mr. Ruhl voting No. Motion passed 6-1.

ii.) Mr. Hannan called for a motion that we approve the the submission of the Chapter 94 Report for the Pleasant Hills Authority Service Area. Mr. Moury motioned to approve. Mr. Cheberenchickl seconded. Roll call was unanimous. Motion passed 7-0.

iii.) Mr. Goodwin reported that the only yearly report remaining is the Chapter 94 Report for the Piney Fork Treatment Plant. The report will be ready for discussion at the March Workshop Meeting and be ready for voting at the March 27, 2025 BPMA Meeting

d.) Grace Church

i.) Mr. Hannan stated that Grace Church wants to pave next to the BPMA sewer. The Board discussed the Grace Church plans and agreed to amend the motion to include "contingent on Bethel Park Council's approval".

ii.) Mr. Hannan called for a motion to approve the issuing of the no impact letter for the expansion of the paving of the Grace Church (Bethel Park) contingent on Bethel Park Council approval. Mr. Moury motioned to approve. Mr. Brodnos seconded. Roll call was unanimous. Motioned passed 7-0.

8 Financial Reports

a.) Treasurer's Report

i.) Treasurer Mr. Cheberenchick reported on the accounts held at the Bank of New York Mellon as of January 31, 2025.

9. Requisitions

a.) Mr. Goodwin presented the following February 2025 Requisitions to the Board:

i. General Fund A: The payees are: Board members, Gaydos Law, PC and secretarial services.

The February 2025 General Fund Requisition A TOTAL is \$4,938.00

ii.) Mr. Ruhl motioned to approve. Mr. Cheberenchick seconded. Roll call was unanimous.

Motion passed 7-0.

~~iii. General Fund B The payees are: Wade Trim.~~

The February 2025 General Fund Requisition B TOTAL is \$5,177.78.

iv. Mr. Cheberenchick motioned to approve. Mr. Beaver seconded. Motion passed 6-1 with

Mr. Moury voting no because he requests a more detailed description of the expenses.

Motion passed 6-1.

b.) Mr. Goodwin presented Construction Fund Requisition #46 for February 2025 Series 2020 B

\$29,570,000.00 Account # 486348

US Asset Management, LLC. Quarterly Management Fee 4th Quarter 2024/ Dated / 2024

\$ 8,448.13

TOTAL

iv. Mr. Cheberenchick motioned to approve. Mr. Beaver seconded. Motion passed 7-0.

10. New Business – There is no new business.

11. Old Business- There is no old business.

12. Solicitor's Report

a.) Pre-paid Equipment

i.) Mr. Gaydos reported on responses he received regarding the cancellation of pre-paid equipment since the Headworks Project is under revision due to expenses. Mr. Gaydos explained the discussions he has had with contractors and their positions on terminating the equipment contracts.

ii.) Responses ranged from 1) agreeing to an unconditional full release of the contract since production had not started with the provision that hard engineering costs be reimbursed in full 2) requiring payment for equipment since the BPMA has the equipment.

iii.) Mr. Hannan suggested that the Board consider waiting until the peer review was finished in the event that the equipment may be used in a revised Headworks Project. The Board will discuss this option at the next workshop meeting. Mr. Gaydos will follow-up with contractors on their positions on holding contracts until the peer review is finished.

b.) Proposed Oil and Gas Lease with EQT

i.) Mr. Gaydos explained the proposed lease terms he negotiated with EQT. The lease includes an 18% gross with no deductions for cost. The proposed lease was circulated to the Board for

review. Mr. Gaydos stated that the lease was appropriate and recommends approval.

ii.) Mr. Moury stated that the check will be made out to the BPMA and needs to be accounted for correctly. The BPMA will work with Ms. Lisa Lapaglia, Bethel Park Finance Director, on how to classify and set up and joint account for the fund.

iii.) Mr. Hannan called for a motion to approve the Non-Surface Oil and Gas Lease between the BPMA EQT Production Company related to lot and block No. 1008-C-4. (Lease provides for lump-sum payments as well as royalty provisions for a 5-year term with options for renewal thereafter.)

iv.) Mr. Cheberencik motioned to approve. Mr. Moury seconded. Roll call was unanimous. Motion passed 7-0.

v.) Mr. Gaydos suggests that the BPMA pay the minimal taxes due on the property. He will apply for the Allegheny County tax exemption this year.

c.) Planning Module Reimbursement

i.) Mr. Gaydos reported that he is working with South Park on reimbursement for engineering planning module costs. He received the Bethel Park adjusted sewer module procedure fee from Bethel Park which we will send to South Park.

13. Adjournment

a.) With no further business to conduct, Mr. Ruhl motioned Regular Meeting to adjourn. Mr. Moury seconded, Voice vote was unanimous. Meeting adjourned at 7:46 PM.

Date



Bruce Beaver, Secretary

