

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE HILLTOWN TOWNSHIP
WATER AND SEWER AUTHORITY OF JULY 10, 2024**

The July 10, 2024 meeting of the Hilltown Township Water and Sewer Authority was called to order at 7:30 PM by Chairman Bruce Knipe. Other Board members in attendance included John Rankin, Keith Weiss and Frank Beck. The Authority Manager, James C. Groff, along with staff members Gary Weaver and Jack D. Wuerstle, Esquire (Authority Solicitor), were also present.

Following the Pledge of Allegiance, Chairman Knipe called for action on the minutes from the Authority's June meeting. Mr. Rankin made a motion to approve the minutes as presented; which was seconded by Mr. Beck. The motion carried 4-0.

There was no Public Comment or Confirmed Appointments, therefore the Chairman called upon the Authority Manager for presentation of the Staff Report.

Mr. Groff reported normal operations of the water system for last month, with the wells combining to pump just under 12.4 million gallons (or 59% of the capacity allowed by the Delaware River Basin Commission). Sewer system operations were also normal last month. The Solicitor then updated the Board on the status of the PWTA Charter extension.

In terms of capital projects, the damaged manhole on Route 113 has been scheduled for repair, and parts have been ordered.

As to current development projects, the Regency 18-month maintenance bond was received; the maintenance period now expiring December 2025. Hilltown Glen remains in the 18-month maintenance period (expires September 2024) as does the Johnson Tract (expires June 2025). Lastly, a pre-construction meeting on Lohin was held, and the process should now be moving forward.

With respect to proposed projects, the developer of the Weidner Tract (plan review extended through December 2024) submitted an alternative plan depicting a cul-de-sac, and that plan will be discussed at the Township meeting later this month. The Burger King franchise proposed for the lot aside of Wawa is moving forward, and the Solicitor is drafting a construction agreement for review by developer's counsel. Land development agreements for the three (3) homeowners along Diamond Street who will be connecting to the adjacent gravity line have all been completed and mailed out (and the Moyer agreement has been signed and returned). The Estate of Joseph Pileggi, owner of the Pileggi property on Route 313 just south of the Wawa, has indicated an interest in connecting to public water and sewer. In addition, a sketch plan for 24 townhomes has been presented to the Township for the Schreiner Tract (located between Country Roads and Applewood Drive). Because this plan is "by right", a capacity reservation agreement has been forwarded to the developer for consideration. Finally, Quiet Acres (also a "by right" plan at this point) has signed a capacity reservation agreement for 29 lots.

There was no executive session.

The Chairman next called for the monthly Treasurer's Report and review of bills. Following discussion, Mr. Weiss made a motion to approve the Treasurer's report and payment of bills; Mr. Rankin seconded. The motion carried 4-0.

There were no escrows releases, old business or new business.

With no additional business before the Board, Mr. Weiss made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:11 P.M., seconded by Mr. Beck. The motion carried 4-0.

Respectfully submitted,


