

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE HILLTOWN TOWNSHIP
WATER AND SEWER AUTHORITY ON AUGUST 13, 2025**

The August 13, 2025 meeting of the Hilltown Township Water and Sewer Authority was called to order by Chairman Bruce Knipe at 7:30 PM. Other Board members in attendance included Keith Weiss, Melvin Wright, John Rankin and Frank Beck. The Authority Manager, James C. Groff; Authority Consultant, Gary Weaver; and Authority Solicitor, Jack D. Wuerstle, Esquire, were also present.

Following the Pledge of Allegiance, Chairman Knipe called for action on the minutes from the Authority's July board meeting. Mr. Rankin made a motion to approve the minutes as presented; seconded by Mr. Beck. The motion carried 5-0.

As there was no Public Comment, Customer Complaints or Confirmed Appointments, 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 11.8 million gallons (or 56 % of the capacity allowed by DRBC). Sewer system operations were also normal last month, with the new UV system at PWTa now delivered and installation underway. The anticipated letter from PWTa regarding the proposed purchase of the Sellersville property has not yet arrived.

With respect to capital projects, design work is underway on Well #1 for the PFO/PFOA filter and waivers/applications for land development/zoning will soon be submitted to the Township. The Township has already approved the revised easement.

As to current development projects, the Regency remains in the 18-month maintenance period (expires September 2025). The Johnson Tract, for which the maintenance period has otherwise expired, has had a one walk-through and one-curb-stop still needed repair. The follow-up walk-through is scheduled for next week. Otherwise, work at the Lohin Tract is complete, with development documents, financial security, and insurance certificates all provided. The Weidner Tract has received conditional Preliminary Plan approval from the Township, while the Schreiner Tract and Quiet Acres projects are moving forward slowly, along with the three (3) Diamond Street connections. The water line installation is complete for the Mason Square project, with connections beginning to be installed.

In terms of proposed projects, a Preliminary Agreement has been received for the Jasinski project (10 homes w/ both water and sewer) along Highland Park Road.

Thereafter, an Executive Session was held to discuss potential litigation over disputed servicing obligations between the Authority and certain bordering municipalities.

The Chairman next called for the monthly Treasurer's Report and review of bills. Following presentation by the Treasurer, Mr. Beck made a motion to approve the Treasurer's report and payment of bills; Mr. Weiss seconded. The motion carried 5-0.

There were no escrow releases.

Under old business, Mr. Groff reviewed the status of the water grant application.

Regarding new business, Mr. Groff discussed the tapping fee report, the sludge hauling bod, and the 2024 audit.

With no additional business before the Board, Mr. Rankin made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:19 P.M., seconded by Mr. Wright. The motion carried 5-0.

Respectfully submitted,


