

Notes from 6/26/2025 Sewer Authority Workshop

Attendees: Chairman Jim Malone, Stephanie Brindle, Joe Creighton Manager Dawn Scheller, Administrative Professional Pete Stotelmyer

Absent: Ed Twine, Tim Stanton

Guests: None

Public Comment: None

The Notes from the May 22, 2025, Workshop were available for review.

Discussion Topics: Lance Hoover drafted a report for the workshop dated June 26, 2025 for the Authority to review. Section one of the report covered the operations for the month of June. Due to the amount of significant rainfall recently, Lance stated that DEP has required the peak flow capabilities of the new WWTP be increased from 1.0 MGD to 1.35 MGD. This will change the size and configuration of some of the process equipment, likely increasing the cost of the project.

Section two of his report discussed I&I work and the amount of water intruding into the system. Manager Scheller suggested having an RFP drafted to have a video inspection of the lines to determine where slip lining is needed to eliminate the I&I. The Authority agreed that an inspection should be performed, and having the solicitor draft on RFP should be on the next sewer meeting agenda.

Section three covered the Wastewater Treatment Plant UV System Upgrade Project and Treatment Facilities Improvements. The Upgrade to the UV System was covered at the previous Sewer Authority meeting. The Notice of Intent to Award was approved, and the next step will be to issue a Notice to Award at the July Sewer Authority meeting. The Pro-Air Aeration System is already paid for, and two deposits have been placed on the UV System.

Sewer Authority President Malone, Member Twine, Solicitor Wiser, Lance Hoover and Borough Manager will meet with DEP on July 24, 2025, to discuss the consent order from DEP on the water/sewer upgrade projects in the Borough and to show progress on the projects.

The final section of the report was two items for consideration. The first was increasing the peak flow from 1.0 MGD to 1.35 MGD will increase the cost of the project. The second item was a question to the Authority asking if they would like to revisit any other options within the feasibility study given the recent community response, the new peak flow requirements, and the associated increase in the project cost. Member Creighton said that he would like to know how long the current WWTP could continue to operate. This

information could be used for timing of the new plant, and it could buy time to accrue additional funds for the project.

Chairman Malone asked if state representatives have been contacted to possibly assist with acquiring funding for the water & sewer project for the Borough. Manager Scheller stated that she had a phone call with Mastriano's assistant and one with Chad Reichard's office to discuss both water and sewer issues and the financing difficulties associated with obtaining funds and using grant money available for the projects. The representatives will review the issues and respond back with dates and times they will be available to meet with representatives of the Borough.

The members received a copy of the new dispute resolution form to be completed by any customer disputing their water/sewer bills.

The meeting adjourned at 11:42 pm.