

**Mercersburg Water Authority
Borough Hall, Mercersburg, PA
March 17, 2022
MINUTES**

Attending: Ed Twine, Jacob Morgan, Dr. Michael Pedersen, Borough Manager Derek Stoy, Secretary Stacey Golden

Absent: Jason Frey, Robert Small

Guests/Press: None

Chairman Ed Twine called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

No Public Comment.

Authority moved into the Treasurer's Report and Bills Payable. Chairman Ed Twine commented that for two months in a row the authority is "doing better".

MOTION: To accept the Treasurer's Report for month ending February 28, 2022 was made by Jacob Morgan, second by Michael Pedersen. All ayes, motion carried.

MOTION: To approve the Bills Payable for month ending February 28, 2022 was made by Michael Pedersen, second by Jacob Morgan. All ayes, motion carried.

MOTION: To accept the February 17, 2022 minutes as written was made by Jacob Morgan, second by Michael Pedersen. All ayes, motion carried.

No Solicitor's Report.

No Engineer's Report.

Authority moved onto the Borough Manager's Report.

Manager Derek Stoy reported that test well #5 was evaluated however was not going to work because of "low production and very shallow water bearing zones". Stoy said this leaves limited options for a new source. Read and Associates LLC will be completing hydrogeologic evaluations of the reservoir property and the Grandview Storage Tank area. Stoy added that Shippensburg University students will not be coming as previously decided. Manager Stoy continued in his report explaining that High Tide Environmental provided a contract for one operator one day a week at the water plant and the borough being responsible for coverage on holidays and weekends. Stoy noted that DEP has authorized this change. DEP is requiring three additional operators; they do not need to be certified. Manager Stoy said that it will be mandatory that whoever is hired for the public works position will have to learn the water plant operations. The price with Lance Hoover/High Tide Environmental is 1/3 the cost of the current operator. Manager Stoy said Borough Secretary Stacey Golden was resigning from her position with her last day being March 25th. Public Works employee Ray Mowen's last day was March 4th.

Authority member Jacob Morgan asked what the applications looked like for the Public Works Department and Dr. Michael Pedersen asked what percentage of the job could be trained. Manager Stoy said the biggest thing was training on the equipment and that "most of the job is training". Stoy concluded his report saying there will be an important Personnel Committee meeting Monday, March 21, 2022.

Authority moved into New Business.

MOTION: To approve the High Tide Environmental contract with Lance Hoover and for Chairman Ed Twine to sign the contract was made by Jacob Morgan, second by Michael Pedersen. All ayes, motion carried.

Chairman Ed Twine explained that there have been changes made in the past that helped with pressure spikes saying "leaks in town should be a smaller issue than in the past". Chairman Twine said there is hopes to put another PRV Pit up at the park if grant funds are received. Twine said the water system in town is antiquated and there have been mandates by DEP that have required changes.

MOTION: To adjourn the meeting at 7:35 PM was made by Michael Pedersen, second by Jacob Morgan. All ayes, motion carried.

These meeting minutes have been transcribed and respectfully submitted for approval by Stacey Golden with the use of her meeting notes and audio recording.

Date approved: _____ Motion: _____ Second: _____