

LOWER TEN MILE JOINT SEWER AUTHORITY

144 CHARTIERS ROAD

JEFFERSON, PA 15344

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MINUTES

June 18, 2025

CALL TO ORDER

The regular monthly meeting of Lower Ten Mile Joint Sewer Authority was called to order at 5:00 p.m., at the Lower Ten Mile Joint Sewer Authority office.

Those members present were:

Kenneth Frameli, Chairman

Tom Goughenour, Vice Chairman

Jamie Forman, Secretary

Benjamin Bupka, Treasurer

George Riecks, Asst. Sec-Treas.

Gary Mylan

Brian Sypin

Also attending were:

Christopher Simms, Solicitor

Bob Dengler, Engineer

Bruce Howard, Lead Operator

Sharon Confortini, Secretary

MINUTES

A motion approving the minutes of the May 21, 2025 meeting was made by Mr. Goughenour, seconded by Mr. Riecks and the motion carried unanimously.

TREASURER'S REPORT

A motion approving the Treasurer's Report and to pay the outstanding invoices was made by Mr. Bupka, seconded by Mr. Sypin and the motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC DISCUSSION

None

OPERATION'S REPORT

None

CORRESPONDENCE

None

LEGAL REPORT

None

ENGINEER'S REPORT

Mr. Dengler stated he had contacted the PaDEP; they confirmed they had received the Mather STP NPDES Permit renewal application submitted to them on June 28, 2024. Lower Ten Mile Joint Sewer Authority is still waiting for the Mather STP NPDES Permit to be renewed.

Mr. Dengler stated he has nothing new to report on the funding for the Morgan Township Sewer Extension Projects. The status of the funding is as follows:

1. The Authority still has the \$500,000.00 grant approved through USEPA FY 2023 Community Project Funding Program for the Chartiers Hill Sewer Extension Project.
2. Mr. Dengler is still waiting for the results of the \$1,000,000.00 grant application from The Statewide LSA Grant application submitted in November 2024 for the Country Club Road Sewer Extension Project. Mr. Dengler heard the decision might take place in September 2025.
3. Applications for funding for the Country Club Sewer Extension have been submitted under the FY 2026 Appropriations Requests to Senator McCormick's and Fetterman's Offices and to Congressman Reschenthaler's Office. The amount requested is \$1,340,172.00 towards an estimated \$1,675,215.00 project cost. There is a 20% (\$335,043.00) matching funds requirement.

Mr. Dengler stated he spoke to Erik Mullen, Morgan Township Supervisor, regarding the Resolution to Adopt the Sewage Planning Module sent to them on May 8, 2025 for the Morgan Township Sewer Extension Projects. Mr. Mullen said the resolution would be on the agenda for the July 2025 Township Supervisor Meeting.

Mr. Dengler stated he has nothing new to report regarding the grant application submitted to the PA Small Water & Sewer Grant Program for the extension of the sewer system to the Greene Country Country Club. Mr. Dengler was told the committee would probably make their decision in September 2025. The grant is for projects with a cost between \$30,000.00 and \$500,000.00 and there is a 15% matching funds requirement. The estimated project cost is \$269,000.00 and the matching funds will be approximately \$40,350.00.

OLD BUSINESS

Mr. Frameli designated Mr. Goughenour as spokesperson for the union negotiating committee representing Lower Ten Mile Joint Sewer Authority. Mr. Goughenour, Mr. Phillips and Mr. Jamie Forman will set up a meeting as soon as possible to begin the negotiating process. The current union contract will expire August 31, 2025.

NEW BUSINESS

Mr. Howard stated he received a quote of \$175.00 per company truck to diecut lettering on the trucks that read Lower Ten Mile Joint Sewer Authority along with a picture of an outhouse. Mr. Riecks made a motion approving the Authority get their name and a picture of an outhouse on two of the company trucks at a cost of \$175.00 per truck. Mr. Jamie Forman seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Jamie Forman made a motion to adjourn at 5:08 p.m., seconded by Mr. Riecks and the motion carried unanimously.