

LEWISBURG AREA JOINT SEWER AUTHORITY
MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 19, 2023

The regular meeting of the Lewisburg Area Joint Sewer Authority was called to order at 8:00 a.m. on Tuesday, August 15, 2023, by William O. Smith, Chairman of the Authority, at the College Park Treatment Plant, River Road, Lewisburg, Pennsylvania.

Present: Alan Zeigler, David R. Goodhart, Philip Tharp, Lawson Fetterman, Rodney Hepner, and Greg Beauseigneur.

Also present: Kenneth G. Potter, Solicitor, Todd M. Oberdorf, Manager, and Tacie Shimko, Assistant Secretary.

Absent: John Driver, and Joshua Satteson.

A motion was made by Mr. Goodhart, Seconded by Mr. Hepner, unanimously carried to approve the minutes from August 15, 2023.

The Treasures Report for August 2023 was distributed. Also Mr. Oberdorf presented the following two (2) bills for ratification:

LB Water Services INC	\$7,975.40
Susquehanna Community Bank	\$95,000.00

Upon motion by Mr. Zeigler, seconded by Mr. Fetterman, and unanimously carried, the Treasurer's Report for August 2023 and the two (2) bills were ratified. The Investment Report for July 2023 was distributed. (Copies attached)

Mr. Goodhart, Chairman of the Personnel Committee, reported that the Personnel Committee members are suggesting a four percent (4%) increase for the 2023, 2024 calendar year for the employees. After a lengthy discussion a motion was made by Mr. Fetterman, seconded by Mr. Tharp, and unanimously carried to accept the four percent (4%) increase for the employees.

Mr. Oberdorf reported to the Board that he received a cost estimate for the generator at Mill Street Pump Station. Mr. Oberdorf stated that since the generator has a 64 to 66 week lead time the labor and material costs for the sub-contractors will probably increase by 15% to 25% until we receive the generator, but the generator and day tank will not increase if we order it now. After a lengthy discussion a motion was made by Mr. Zeigler, seconded by Mr. Hepner, and unanimously carried to order the generator and day tank.

Mr. Oberdorf stated that our 12 month investment with PLGIT is coming due on September 21, 2023 and todays current rate to re-invest is 5.78% but may change a little until we re-invest if the Board wishes to. Mr. Oberdorf stated that he feels comfortable transferring an additional \$500,000.00 to PLGIT from Susquehanna Community Bank and we will still be able to honor our commitment to Susquehanna Community Bank, if the Board so wishes. After a discussion, a motion was made by Mr. Zeigler, seconded by Mr. Beauseigneur, and unanimously carried to reinvest with PLGIT and add

an additional \$500,000.00 to the investment from our Money Market account at Susquehanna Community Bank.

Mr. Oberdorf reported that Central Penn Drilling will be installing the force main for 182 Fairmount Drive next week and then the homeowner will need to arrange the pump install with Keiser's Plumbing at a later date.

Mr. Oberdorf reported to the Board that Insight Pipe Contractors had a lot of issues trying to install the T Liners in the four (4) laterals they were hired to do. Mr. Oberdorf stated that they only accomplished one (1) out of the four (4) and that one has major issues. It appears that when Roto Rooter steam cured their part of the lateral something happened to the UV cured part that Insight Pipe did last week, and nothing was mentioned to us that we had to cure it a specific way. Mr. Oberdorf stated that it appears that their liner came apart and plastic is hanging down in the lateral, but Roto Rooter was able to retrieve most of it. There were also some major bumps or bunching of Insights Lateral Liner towards the main line. At the end where the bumps and bunches are the liner didn't seem to get affected by Roto Rooters steaming process, but with the bulges they didn't feel comfortable grinding them out. They felt that the size drastically decreased due to the bulges on the interior of the pipe, from what we could see on camera. While Roto Rooter was trying to clean up the loose liner, it appeared that it was gummy or the resin from the liner had not set up and the bumps would make it extremely hard to re-line the lateral. Roto Rooter also had issues pushing their camera through the bumps or bunching of the liner. Their camera head, with the sleeve on, measures 2.5". Mr. Oberdorf stated he did not feel comfortable letting it go with the potential for back-up on the customer, it was already starting to hold sewage back the next day. Mr. Oberdorf stated that it appears the lateral with the bumps or bunched up liner has reduced the interior of the pipe to 2.25" to 2.5" so he made a decision to hire Gutelius Excavating to excavate the lateral and fix it correctly. Mr. Oberdorf was directed to try to come to a resolution once we find out exactly what happened or went wrong.

Mr. Oberdorf reported to the Board that Mr. Rehab has finished the flushing and televising of the Linntown Project. Mr. Oberdorf also stated that Mr. Rehab found holes in the pipe once they finished root cutting and flushing. Mr. Oberdorf said that more than likely it was caused by their root cutter when they were trying to remove the large root masses. Mr. Oberdorf stated that the areas where the holes appeared also had massive root structures and cracked pipe when our crew televised it. Mr. Rehab's root cutter is larger as well as their flusher is bigger. Mr. Oberdorf stated that if they can not be lined through or grouted, we may have to excavate and repair prior to lining.

Mr. Oberdorf stated to the Board that one of the pumps that we use to load our sludge on trucks is very weak and the supplier is out of business. Mr. Oberdorf stated he is looking into other possibilities to improve that pump or replace it.

There being no further business to come before the meeting, upon motion by Mr. Goodhart, seconded by Mr. Zeigler, and unanimously carried, the same was duly adjourned at 9:26 a.m. The next meeting of the Authority will be on Tuesday, October 17, 2023.

Respectfully submitted,

Tacie Shimko
Assistant Secretary