

**BELLEFONTE BOROUGH AUTHORITY
MEETING MINUTES**

(Virtual Meeting)

February 2, 2021 – 6 p.m.

236 West Lamb Street, Bellefonte, PA 16823

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CALL TO ORDER:

The virtual meeting of the February 2, 2021 Bellefonte Borough Authority was called to order at 6 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

ROLL CALL:

AUTHORITY MEMBERS

PRESENT VIA ZOOM:

Mr. Joe Beigle
Mr. Frank (Buddy) Halderman
Mr. Doug Johnson
Mr. Joe Falcone
Mr. Brian Walker
Mr. Mike Schmidt
Mr. Greg Brown

STAFF:

Mr. Ralph Stewart
Mr. Matt Auman
Mr. Frank Noll

MINUTES

Mr. Brown moved to approve the January 5, 2021 minutes. Mr. Walker seconded the motion. Motion carried.

COMMUNICATIONS Nothing presented.

FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT

2020 Financial Statements were reviewed by Mr. Falcone. Everything is in order. Although collection revenue was down, increased bulk sales made up for that to some degree. Wastewater side was the same situation. Collection was down but outsourcing sales were up.

WATER REPORT (Engineer)

The proposed strip mall at Benner Pike was reviewed. He agreed with the flows. They are high. That was verified by Eric Lundy.

The car wash plan was discussed briefly.

SEWER REPORT –

The major issue were Evoqua and the share mill. They are not being quick enough or responsive enough so there was a meeting held today relative to the equipment situation. Technique for getting the belt attached was discussed. The equipment manufacturing is involved, and Jim Bell will be helping with getting the equipment repaired.

Biosolids and glycol were discussed briefly.

WATER REPORT – M. AUMAN

Water leaks were being repaired. More water has been hauled. Crews were working on snow removal. The gravity flow pipe on Allegheny Street was discussed briefly.

WWTP REPORT – F. NOLL

Bulk water sales were at 4200 gallons for January. January 6, 2021 maintenance staff picked up the loader. Nittany Controls pulled the utility water control panel to install new parts at the shop. It was reinstalled January 27, 2021. Everything is online with the new system and is working well. There was a breakdown of one of the plates on the clarifying. That needed to be partially drained to get a maintenance person down to replace the plate. Nittany Controls is also working on installation of a new drive for the inflow pump which remains incomplete at this time.

OLD BUSINESS

Resolution to sign the amended water agreement was on the table.

Mr. Johnson moved to approve Resolution No. 02022021-01 approving the amendment to the water agreement dated March 19, 1998, as amended. Mr. Falcone seconded the motion. Motion carried.

The crews are short staffed, and the vacancy was discussed.

NEW BUSINESS

Growth through water sales and the treatment process and operations based on flow ratio was discussed. The new developments in the pipeline will help the system. Grants and loans will be looked into.

The Borough closed on the former Subway property and it will be used as part of the park area and the Big Spring.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Halderman moved to adjourn. Mr. Johnson seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 6:45 p.m.

EXECUTIVE SESSION