

**BELLEFONTE BOROUGH AUTHORITY  
MEETING MINUTES**

**July 7, 2021 – 6 p.m.**

**236 West Lamb Street, Bellefonte, PA 16823**

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**CALL TO ORDER:**

The July 7, 2021 Bellefonte Borough Authority was called to order at 6 p.m.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:**

**ROLL CALL:**

**AUTHORITY MEMBERS**

**PRESENT:**

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

**STAFF:**

Mr. Ralph Stewart, Borough Manager  
Mr. Bob Cooke  
Mr. Frank Noll, Assistant Superintendent

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**MINUTES**

Mr. Halderman moved to approve the June 1, 2021 meeting minutes. Mr. Johnson seconded.  
Motion carried.

**COMMUNICATIONS**

The DEP biosolid upgrade was discussed by Mr. Stewart. Correspondence was in the packet for review.

**FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT** No financials were provided this month.

**WATER REPORT (Engineer)**

Phase 1 A and 1 B there were no changes to the plan.

## **WATER REPORT – M. AUMAN**

June 2 new water tap was installed at 1304 Summit Drive; June 4 installed a new tap at Laser Car Wash on Zion Road; June 7 a six inch water main was repaired behind the Unimart; water lines were located in Nittany Terrace for a project; June 9-10 pump house maintenance was performed; June 14-17 sewer smoke tests were performed; about one third complied with potential violations. There were 35 on the list. June 15 water tanks were inspected; full report was received. June 17 a tour of the Big Spring Pump House and filling station was done for employees and plant manager from Niagara. June 21 leak detection was performed; June 22 confined space training was completed at Spring Benner Walker; June 23 a new one inch water line was installed for two lots on Summit Drive; June 24 repair was done to a six inch water main in the Logan Branch; June 28-30 some sewer line bursting projects were completed. Restoration work is being performed at McCallister Street.

## **SEWER REPORT**

Waiting on EPA to give direction on \_\_\_\_\_. No change on the pretreatment issue at University Park Airport. The controls upgrade issue was discussed. The corrosion issues was discussed. The fans are burnt out because the louvers did not open up and could not draw amps. Electric actuators will be installed. Staff is recommending that the two doors to the sand fill room be replaced. Two fans in another location are needed to be replaced. One air intake needed to be added as well. Costs will be researched. The compressors were discussed. If the valve is open to feed the plant, the compressors run non-stop. There have been some in-house temporary fixes with the louvers made to circulate more air. Bidding out the work was discussed briefly.

## **WWTP REPORT**

511,200 gallons bulk for June 2021. Gravity belt thickener was repaired. That is being done about every three months with the new system. Nittany Controls was in to work on the clarifier. DEP accepted the biosolids report. The No. 2 transfer pump is being repaired. There is not enough play in the feet, so it needed to be pulled and shipped to Altoona to get the elongated holes in for adjustment. Lab incubator died in May and is now operational. Power failure knocked out air compressors on the BNR. One of the brick loaders went out on June 22 and had to be pulled and sent for repair. It could not be repaired so one was ordered. The new touchscreen was installed on June 24. Level indicators were knocked out by power outage in the basins which all of the effluent pumps run off of. A rewire was needed to repair this.

**OLD BUSINESS** Water quality report will be posted.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

Joint meeting with Council was discussed. The Spring Creek Watershed Commission will be making a presentation on the One Water Plan. Mr. Johnson recommended putting something in writing relative to the the Authority's position on the One Water Plan. A motion may be forthcoming opposing the plan.

Formulation of the Rescue Plan was discussed. The use of the funds were discussed and water and sewer are included in approved cost use.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

Mr. \_\_\_\_\_ moved to adjourn the July 7, 2021 Authority Meeting. Mr. \_\_\_\_\_ seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**Meeting adjourned at 7 p.m.**

### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**