

,BELLEFONTE BOROUGH WATER AUTHORITY
MEETING MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING
October 1, 2024 – 6 p.m.
301 N. Spring Street, Suite 200
Bellefonte, PA 16823
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CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order October 1, 2024 at 6 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL Authority members present:

Mr. Joe Beigle
Mr. Greg Brown
Mr. Dan DeLotto
Mr. Jon Eaton
Mr. Joe Falcone
Mr. Frank (Buddy) Halderman via Zoom
Mr. Doug Johnson

Staff

Mr. Frank Noll, WWTP Superintendent
Mr. Shannon Struble, WWTP Assistant Superintendent
Mr. Matt Auman, Public Works Superintendent
Ms. Julie Brooks, Public Works Assistant Superintendent
Mr. Ralph Stewart, Borough Manager

Guests Ms. Jean Ryan, Engineer via Zoom

MINUTES

- *A motion was made by Beigle and seconded by Eaton to approve the minutes from September 4th, 2024. No discussion. Motion carried.*

ADDITIONS TO AGENDA

majority vote. The Authority should state the reason why the action item is being added to the Agenda. The Authority may vote to add an action item(s) to the agenda.

- NONE

PUBLIC COMMENT/COMMUNICATIONS- ORAL

- NONE

COMMUNICATIONS (Written)

- DEP – Stream Reclassification work
- Email – UAJA Engineer - Biosolids Agreement, Offer of Tour

FINANCIALS (Mr. Falcone)

- Budget v. Actual August 2024 (first 2/3 of the year)
 - Water Collection Revenues are at .61 (approximately \$77,000 under budget)
 - Bulk water sales are at .62
 - Water revenue from Niagara 49.73
 - Water revenue from Milesburg 37.14
 - It was noted that it's harder for customers to pay their bills lately.

Beigle motioned and Halderman seconded to approve the financial report. Motion carried.

ENGINEER'S REPORT (Jean Ryan, Barton and Loguidice)

- The engineer (Jean) highlighted several projects completed in September.
 - Projects: Big Spring Project (wells)
 - Timeframes – Geophysical Survey could be done by November
 - The Geophysical Survey will offer more information and help narrow down cost estimates.
 - It was noted that costs incurred in the survey process (\$53,000) may not be returned.
 - The overall goal is to get the cover off the spring

Beigle motioned and Halderman seconded to spend the money, approximately \$53,000 to complete the GIS and Geophysical surveys completed. The motion carried.

SEWER REPORT (Superintendent - Frank)

- The Superintendent highlighted the details of various projects and repairs completed in September.
- Bulk Water sales for September: 72,700g
- A worker submitted his letter of resignation. The Authority will be posting the open position.
- Discussion regarding pre-treatment (industrial waste/PFAS) water reports.

WATER REPORT (Matt)

- Details were offered regarding projects and repairs completed in September.

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OLD BUSINESS

- Water Line for Hotel, Length of Service Line, McCrossin Property – update.
- Agreement with Shantel Cable (Hughes Street) – Agreement is nearing completion by solicitor, attorney. The Authority may take action to approve Agreement conditional upon final review by Solicitor.

Beigle motioned to accept the agreement as presented. Johnson seconded. Motion to approve carried.

- Agreement with UAJA – biosolids disposal.

Beigle motioned and Halderman seconded to approve signing the Agreement. Motion carried.

- Big Spring Cover Project Update. Recap of meeting with PA DEP, consider approval of next steps. The Authority may take action on approving moving ahead with outlined next steps.
- Service Line Inventory project update. DEP upload deadline October 16. After the Inventory is due, sending a letter is next. The Authority may take action to approve steps.

NEW BUSINESS

- Daily Water Withdrawal September 2024. No action is requested.

DISCUSSION

- Lawsuit in Parkview – right of way
 - Went to district magistrate court and the homeowner was found guilty for fence violations
 - Fines will be reduced if homeowner complies
 - The encroachment issues are in the Centre County Court system
- An Authority member commented that the engineering firm Barton and Loguidice has been a big asset to the Authority.
- Logan Green – need an update
- Next meeting will be November 5th, 2024.

ADJOURNMENT

- *Halderman motioned and Falcone seconded to adjourn tonight's meeting. No discussion. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:52pm.*