

**BELLEFONTE BOROUGH WATER AUTHORITY
MEETING MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING**

**May 5, 2026 – 6 p.m.
301 N. Spring Street, Suite 200 – The Oak Room
Bellefonte, PA 16823
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CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order May 5, 2026 at 6 p.m. An executive session was held prior to tonight's meeting at 5:30pm.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL Authority members present:

Mr. Joe Beigle	
Mr. Greg Brown	Mr. Frank (Buddy) Halderman
Mr. Jon Eaton	Mr. Doug Johnson
Mr. Joe Falcone	Mr. Ralph Stewart (EXCUSED)

Staff

Mr. Ralph Stewart, Consultant
Mr. Frank Noll, WWTP Superintendent
Mr. Matt Auman, Public Works Superintendent
Mr. Shannon Struble, WWTP Assistant Superintendent

Guests

MINUTES

A motion was made by (? – not announced) and seconded by Beigle to approve the minutes from April 7th, 2026. No discussion. Motion carried unanimously.

ADDITIONS TO AGENDA

In accordance with Act 65 of 2021, If a matter is not on the Agenda, the Authority cannot take official action on it with some exceptions. The Authority can act on matters relating to potential or real emergencies. The Authority may add a matter of agency business to its agenda through 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

Please sign in, come to the podium at the appropriate time, and state your name and address and what you are speaking about. Please limit comments to three minutes maximum.

Representatives from the Centre County Christian Academy addressed the Authority regarding an issue with their recent water bill and installation of a new water meter. The Authority sent a bill for \$16,000 to the Academy claiming they used a million and a half gallons of water in a quarter billing period. When questioned, the Authority said there was a leak. The CCCA reports that they typically use 130-145,000g of water per quarterly billing cycle. If there is a leak, the Academy cannot determine where the water could be leaking. The Academy reps report that the Authority even came and confirmed there was no leak after the installation of the new meter. The Academy also reports that they have been monitoring the meter and the meter does not reflect any major leaks. The Authority said they will look into this situation and try to come up with some solutions.

COMMUNICATIONS (Written)

NONE

FINANCIALS (Mr. Falcone)

- Mr. Falcone presented the financial report from the first quarter of the year.
- Budget v. Actual March, 2026
- Mr. Falcone reported a large profit loss that could be due to billing issues.

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

Water:

- Jean reported on several projects and permits being completed. Written report will be sent out after the meeting.
- Blue Triton Bottling Connection facility was inspected on April 20th and the installation did match the plans, so Jean filled out the final construction certificate and it was submitted to DEP. Once DEP does their own inspection they will issue an operating permit.
- Valentine Hill Water Main replacement – all the pipe has been laid
 - Change Order 3 in the amount of \$15,180 (extra fill)
 - pay application 2 - \$194,334

Big Spring Cover Replacement

- The RFP is complete. The permit application is next and will be submitted to DEP. It is drafted and will be reviewed.

Sewer:

- there are several high priority items at the WWTP including pumps that need to be replaced.

SEWER REPORT (Superintendent - Frank)

- The Superintendent highlighted the details of various projects and repairs completed in April 2026.
- Bulk Water sales for April were 439,700g.

WATER REPORT (Matt)

Details were offered regarding projects and repairs completed in March 2026.

- 65 PAONE calls
- Installed 67 new water meters
- Niagara – ? gallons

OLD BUSINESS

Big Spring Enhancements

- no updates

NEW BUSINESS

Daily Water Withdrawal April 2026. No Authority action is requested.

2026 Bulk Water Billing and Usage for Milesburg and Niagara April 2026. No Authority action is requested.

Martz Technologies, Inc quote for the BNR Pumps at the Wastewater Treatment Plant.

(? – not announced) Motioned and Eaton seconded to approve the quote from Martz Technologies, Inc in the amount of \$28,252.67 for the BNR Pumps. No discussion. Motion to approve carried.

Keystone Water Group Valentine Hill Road Water Line Replacement Payment Application No. 2.

Beigle motioned and (?- not announced) seconded to approve Keystone Water Group payment application No. 2 in the amount of \$194,334.00 for the Valentine Hill Road Water Line Replacement project. No discussion. Motion to approve carried.

Keystone Water Group Valentine Hill Road Water Line Replacement Change Order No. 3.

Falcone motioned and Johnson seconded to approve Keystone Water Group Change Order No. 3 in the amount of \$15,180.00 for the Valentine Hill Road Water Line Replacement project. No discussion. Motion to approve carried.

DISCUSSIONS/ACTION ITEMS

Discussion regarding JET pumps replacement and priority projects for the next few months, and priority projects for the next few years.

Discussion regarding Benner Pike business developments and possibilities.

ADJOURNMENT

(?) motioned and (?) seconded to adjourn tonight's meeting. Meeting adjourned at ?pm. Names for motion and second for adjournment were not announced. The meeting end time was not announced.

There was an executive session before tonight's meeting.