

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

**June 2, 2026 – 6 p.m.
301 N. Spring Street, Suite 200 – The Oak Room
Bellefonte, PA 16823
www.bellefonte.net**

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order June 2, 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 (joined via zoom)	
Mr. Greg Brown (EXCUSED)	Mr. Frank (Buddy) Halderman
Mr. Jon Eaton	Mr. Doug Johnson
Mr. Joe Falcone	Mr. Ralph Stewart

Staff

Mr. Dave Pribulka, Borough Manager
Mr. Frank Noll, WWTP Superintendent
Mr. Matt Auman, Public Works Superintendent
Mr. Shannon Struble, WWTP Assistant Superintendent

MINUTES

A motion was made by Stewart and seconded by Eaton to approve the minutes from May 5th, 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.

NONE

COMMUNICATIONS (Written)

NONE

FINANCIALS (Mr. Falcone)

- Mr. Falcone presented the financial report for the first 3rd of the year.
- Budget v. Actual April, 2026
- There have been no bulk water sales – including bulk water sales to Niagara. Niagara has not purchased bulk water from the Sewer plant in almost a year.
- The authority is going to look into dissolving the agreement for bulk water sales with Niagara.
- Mr. Falcone reported that Niagara is 2 months behind on payments and overall, and there is a \$297,000 loss in the first 3rd of the year on the water side.
- The Authority needs to reschedule the cancelled budget review meeting.

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

- Water:
 - Jean reported on several projects and permits being completed, including:
 - Water side:
 - Blue Triton was inspected by a DEP representative on 5/12/26. There has been no report from this inspection but it's reported everything went well and all permits were awarded. Blue Triton is ready for usage.
 - Valentine Hill Water Main replacement is ongoing. Jean is anticipating another change order due to rainwater conditions on the site.
 - It was suggested that they may need to do another bacteria test due to it being over a month since the last test was done and they may need to re-chlorinate.
- Big Spring Cover Replacement
 - The RFP is complete and permit forms are being finalized.
 - A question was raised on timelines for this project and whether Authority members were given the draft for review. The Authority requested to see the draft of the RFP.
 - There was a discussion regarding review of proposals and special meetings for review of proposals.
- Sewer:
 - There have been more pump failures that need to be repaired/replaced. Jean will provide a memo that will offer specific details and specifications for pump options.
 - Jean has addressed the comments from EPA regarding local limits and the final draft has been reviewed with the EPA will be sent back to EPA.
 - Proposal for an evaluation of the WWTP
 - Pretreatment side: audit is almost complete.

SEWER REPORT (Superintendent - Frank)

The Superintendent highlighted the details of various projects and repairs completed in May 2026, including several reports on pump repairs.

- Bulk Water sales for May were 360,000g.
- There was a criminal investigation on a pre-treatment plant but the charges were dropped.
- There was a noise complaint issue that has been resolved.
- Energy Audit was completed and the report is included in tonight's packet for review.

WATER REPORT (Matt)

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

- 63 PAONE calls
- Installed 47 new water meters
- Niagara – 0 gallons
- Discussion regarding water loss – water loss is approximately 50%. Discussion regarding monitoring options to ID, fix and repair leaks to improve water loss rates.

OLD BUSINESS

Big Spring Enhancements

- no new updates / discussion regarding landscaping

Waterline acceptance for Logan Green phases and Benner Mills. Call for a motion/2nd to approve the Waterline acceptance agreement for Logan Green phases and Benner Mills.

Stewart motioned and Falcone seconded to approve the Waterline acceptance agreement for Logan Green phases and Benner Mills. No discussion. Motion to approve carried unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

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

McQuaide Blasko Legal Invoice April 2026. Call for a motion/2nd to approve the McQuaide Blasko Legal Invoice for April 2026.

(? – not announced) motioned and (?) seconded to approve the McQuaide Blasko Legal Invoice for April 2026. No discussion. Motion to approve carried unanimously.

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DISCUSSIONS/ACTION ITEMS

Discussion regarding Pine Circle Legal issue (illegal structure erected within the right of way) and recovering legal fees. It was clarified that this legal issue is still in progress.

Question regarding local businesses and their condensate water disposal. It was clarified that the condensate water goes into the sewer line and that code is responsible for catching any businesses that dispose of their condensate water improperly.

Discussion regarding Niagara and clarification of policies.

Water Line Inventory is ongoing.

Discussion regarding landscape design and grant for Big Spring Cover project. The grant has to be used by the end of 2027.

Discussion regarding restroom facilities for the Tallyrand Stage project.

Consumer Confidence Report was submitted to DEP.

Update regarding the dispute with the CCCA (Centre County Christian Academy) water bill. This situation is ongoing. Motion was made (name unannounced, no second, no vote) to investigate and present a solution and subsequent action item for the next meeting.

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.

****NOTE FROM THE TRANSCRIPTIONIST:** *Please announce the names for all motions and seconds. I cannot discern individual voices from an audio recording. This will help avoid difficult audio fees. Thank you.*