

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE HILLTOWN TOWNSHIP  
WATER AND SEWER AUTHORITY OF FEBRUARY 12, 2020**

The February 12, 2020 meeting of the Hilltown Township Water and Sewer Authority was called to order at 7:30 PM by Chairman John Rankin. Board members in attendance included Melvin Wright, Frank Beck, Keith Weiss, and Bruce Knipe. Staff members in attendance included Gary Weaver of Castle Valley Engineering (Authority Engineer), Jack D. Wuerstle, Esquire (Authority Solicitor), and James C. Groff (Authority Manager). There were no visitors at the meeting.

Following the formal Roll Call and the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag, Chairman Rankin called for action on the minutes from the January 2020 meeting of the Authority. Mr. Beck made a motion to approve the minutes as presented; Mr. Wright seconded. The motion carried 5-0.

There was no public comment, nor any confirmed appointments. Chairman Rankin thereafter called upon Mr. Groff for presentation of the Staff Report.

Mr. Groff reported normal operations for the water system last month, with the wells combining to pump approximately 9.4 million gallons (or 45% of the capacity allowed by the Delaware River Basin Commission). The sewer system similarly experienced normal operations last month, with no significant issues to report. The Authority's request to purchase 50 EDUs has been approved by PWTA.

As to capital projects, Authority staff will be meeting with Township personnel next week to discuss the landscaping plan for the new well site.

In terms of current development projects, the Estates at Hilltown/Oskanian remains unchanged with 29 homes connected (water only). Hilltown Walk has all 40 homes connected, but the developer is still working on the punch list. Phase 4 is complete at the Regency at Hilltown; Tice Estates has 21 homes built. All water and sewer mains at the Arbors at Hilltown have been tested and two (2) homes have now been connected. The water and sewer mains have been completed and tested for the Wawa project.

As to proposed projects, discussions regarding the Lohin Tract (located in New Britain Township near Berry Brown plant) are ongoing between HTWSA and Chalfont-New Britain Joint Sewer Authority regarding how to best service the site. Planning modules have been received and are under review for the project on Minsi trail. The Witkowski project remains unchanged/stagnant.

There was no Executive Session.

Chairman Rankin next called for the monthly Treasurer's Report and review of bills. Following discussion, Mr. Weiss made a motion to approve the Treasurer's report and payment of bills; seconded by Mr. Beck. The motion carried 5-0.

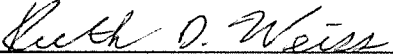
There were no escrow releases.

Under old business, Mr. Groff updated the Board regarding the proposed service extension down Route 313 and the DCNR grant application process for the proposed walking trail project.

In terms of New Business, the Solicitor briefly reviewed the Right-to-Know Act process with the Board and pending state legislation to modify the same.

With no further business before the Board, Mr. Weiss made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:08 P.M., which was second by Mr. Wright. The motion carried 5-0.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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Keith Weiss, Secretary