

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE HILLTOWN TOWNSHIP
WATER AND SEWER AUTHORITY OF APRIL 12, 2022**

The April 12, 2022 meeting of the Hilltown Township Water and Sewer Authority was called to order by Chairman Frank Beck at 7:30 PM. Other Board members in attendance included Keith Weiss, Melvin Wright and Bruce Knipe. The Authority Manager, as well as staff members Gary Weaver of Castle Valley Engineering (Authority Engineer) and Jack D. Wuerstle, Esquire (Authority Solicitor), were also present. Mr. Richard Hendricks attended as well. Mr. Hendricks is a member of the Living Hope Church.

Following the Pledge of Allegiance, Chairman Beck called for action on the minutes from the March 2022 meeting of the Authority. Mr. Knipe made a motion to approve the minutes as presented; Mr. Wright seconded. The motion carried 3-0 (Mr. Beck abstaining as he was not present at the March meeting).

In terms of public comment, Mr. Hendricks was curious as to the status of the proposed public water and sewer extension down Route 313. That extension will ultimately bring water and sewer services to various properties along Route 313, including Living Hope Church. Mr. Hendricks was updated as to status and advised that the Authority is in the process of acquiring certain easements necessary for the extension.

The Chairman then called upon the Authority Manager for presentation of the Staff Report.

Mr. Groff reported normal operations of the water system for the previous month, with the wells combining to pump just under 9.5 million gallons (or 45% of the capacity allowed by the Delaware River Basin Commission). Mr. Groff also reported yet another high volume month of PA One calls.

As to sewer operations, work continues with respect to the PWTA meter that was damaged during a hurricane several months ago. There was some confusion as to which municipality owned the electrical pole carrying power to the meter, but that issue has now been resolved. Mr. Groff also reported that the EDU purchase remains in process, as there were some unanticipated personnel-related delays on PWTA's end. Finally, Mr. Groff reported that the NPDES permit renewal for the Highland Park Treatment facility is now underway.

As to capital projects, the Board, cognizant of resource allocation, decided, as a general matter, that the Route 313 water and sewer extension should, from a timing perspective, take priority over the new well site, and staff was directed to focus their efforts accordingly.

As to current development projects, the Regency at Hilltown continues towards completion, and should wrap up sometime during the summer of 2022. Both Tice Estates and the Arbors at Hilltown remain in the 18-month maintenance period. The homes at Hilltown Glen are now under construction. The Act 537 has been received for both the Johnson Tract and the Buccafuri property. Tapping fees still need to be paid for the Lohin tract.

With respect to proposed projects, there was nothing new to report on the Sensinger subdivision, and alternative development plans, depicting a through road, are now anticipated for the Weidner Tract.

An Executive Session was held to discuss real estate matters.

Chairman Beck then called for the monthly Treasurer's Report and review of bills. Following discussion, Mr. Knipe made a motion to approve the Treasurer's report and payment of bills; which was seconded by Mr. Wright. The motion carried 4-0.

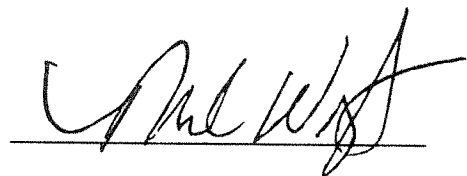
There were no escrow releases.

As to Old Business, the Act 537 is being submitted to the Bucks County Health Department for the Route 313 extension.

With respect to New Business, the Solicitor presented Resolution 2022-3, which provides for the destruction of certain old Authority records pursuant to timelines established by state law. Mr. Knipe made a motion to approve Resolution 2022-3; Mr. Weiss seconded. The motion carried 4-0. The Solicitor also requested authorization to pursue condemnation of an easement across a portion of two (2) lots located along Route 313, each easement within the road's ultimate right-of-way, in order to facilitate the Route 313 water and sewer extension. The Authority has made various efforts over many months to amicably secure the easements, but the property owner has proved unresponsive. Mr. Knipe made such a motion; Mr. Wright seconded. The motion carried 4-0.

With no further business before the Board, Mr. Wright made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:18 P.M., seconded by Mr. Weiss. The motion carried 4-0.

Respectfully submitted,



A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Paul Weiss", is written over a horizontal line.