

**EAST GOSHEN TOWNSHIP MUNICIPAL AUTHORITY  
MEETING MINUTES  
February 9, 2015**

The East Goshen Township Municipal Authority held their regular public meeting on Monday, February 9, 2015 at 7:00 pm at the East Goshen Township building. Members in attendance were: Chairman Kevin Cummings, Jack Yahraes, and Dana Pizarro. Member Fran Beck participated by phone. Also in attendance were: Rick Smith (Township Manager), Carmen Battavio (Township Supervisor), Scott Towler (Big Fish), Mike Ellis (Pennoni), and Jessica Wiesak (Attorney).

**COMMON ACRONYMS:**

<i>BFES – Big Fish Environmental Services</i>	<i>MA- Municipal Authority</i>
<i>BOS – Board of Supervisors</i>	<i>NPDES – National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System</i>
<i>CB – Conservancy Board</i>	<i>PC – Planning Commission</i>
<i>DEP – Department of Environmental Protection</i>	<i>PM – Prevention Maintenance</i>
<i>EPA – Environmental protection Agency</i>	<i>PR – Park &amp; Recreation Board</i>
<i>HC – Historical Commission</i>	<i>RCSTP – Ridley Creek Sewer Treatment Plant</i>
<i>I&amp;I – Inflow &amp; Infiltration</i>	<i>SBR – Sequencing Batch Reactor</i>
<i>LCSTP – Lockwood Chase Sewer Treatment Plant</i>	<i>SSO – Sanitary System Overflow</i>
	<i>WAS – Waste Activated Sludge</i>

**Call to Order & Pledge of Allegiance**

Kevin called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm and led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance. There was a moment of silence to remember the troops and all veterans. Kevin asked if anyone would be recording the meeting and there was no response.

**Chairman’s Report/Other Members’ Reports**

None

**Sewer Reports**

**1. Director of Public Works**

The members reviewed Mark Miller’s report for January 2015:

Meters: They were read on a daily basis and West Goshen was agreeable to splitting the cost for remote monitoring of the meters on the Chester Creek Interceptor. Fran noted he was pleased that West Goshen had agreed to split this cost.

C.C. Collection: The pump stations were visited on a daily basis, no problems to report. We were notified of two lateral backups, we responded and cleared both. The new rail system was installed at the Barkway PS.

R.C. Collection: The Hunt Country Pump Station was visited on a daily basis with no problems to report.

R.C. Plant: No problems to report.

Alarms: They responded to 17 alarms for the month of January.

PA One Calls: They received 57 PA One calls in January.

**2. Pennoni Engineer’s Report**

Mike Ellis gave the following report:

Invoices: Invoices with summaries are provided under separate cover.

Reservoir Rd Pump Station:

1. Mike presented the concept site plan for the pump station. The station complies with applicable zoning and subdivision requirements and we are maintaining the required 50 foot buffer from the Chester Creek. All of the equipment will be located in the building and it will be landscaped.
2. We completed the test boring on January 15, bedrock was encountered at 22' in both borings and rock would not cause a problem with the pump station.
3. A pre-application meeting will be scheduled with PADEP in March.

Chapter 94 Reports – He has initiated work on the 2014 Chapter 94 Reports.

Lockwood Chase Groundwater Monitoring - He reviewed the 2013 and 2014 groundwater monitoring reports and noted the 3 of the monitoring wells are dry, Nitrate-Nitrogen fluctuates from 5.8 to 13.7 mg/L with no discernable trend and Fecal Coliform has been at non-detectable levels since the plant was closed.

Lockwood Chase Closure NPDES Permit – He is coordinating the submission of the final closure paperwork with the Township.

Hershey’s Mill PS and Marydell PS Diversion - The maintenance bond for these projects expire in July and August and Mike will schedule final inspection in May

Hershey Mill PS – Mike notified PADEP that the comminutor has been installed.

**3. Big Fish Environmental Services** – Scott reported that the plant was in compliance for December and January. In December the total Phosphorous is less the permit limit of 0.5 mg/L. They had to replace the variable speed drives on influent pumps 2 and 3. Kevin expressed a concern about the need to replace electrical components so soon, and Scott noted that we regularly see electrical surges at the plant. Scott said he would discuss the possibility of adding surge protectors to selected equipment with Mark.

**Approval of Minutes**

Jack moved to accept the minutes of January 12, 2015 as corrected. Fran seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

**Approval of Invoices**

1. Dana moved to approve payment of the following Pennoni invoices:

Invoice #623589	\$5,300.30
Invoice #623591	\$ 82.50
Invoice #623592	\$ 565.00
Invoice #623593	\$ 464.00
Invoice #623594	\$ 661.25
Invoice #623595	\$2,053.75
Invoice #623596	\$1,827.50

Jack seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

**Liaison Reports**

None.

### **Financial Reports**

In January, the Municipal Authority recorded \$556.41 in revenues and \$3,702 in expenses, for a variance of -\$3,145. As of January 31, the fund balance was \$1,586.031, of which \$1,520.845 is in the construction account.

### **Goals**

Jack will attend the next West Goshen meeting.

### **New Business**

It was the consensus of the members that the April 13, June 8 and August 10 Municipal Authority meetings would be rescheduled to 6 pm in order to avoid conflicts with the Comp Plan Task Force meetings.

### **Adjournment**

There being no further business, Dana to adjourn the meeting. Jack seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 7:45 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Louis F. Smith, Jr.  
Township Manager