

**EAST GOSHEN TOWNSHIP MUNICIPAL AUTHORITY  
MEETING MINUTES  
February 9, 2026**

The East Goshen Township Municipal Authority held their regular meeting on Monday, February 9, 2026 at 7:00 pm. at the Township Building.

Members in attendance are indicated in **BOLD**:

Kevin Cummings – Chairman

**John Stipe – Vice Chairman**

**Sean Ellsworth**

**Dana Pizarro**

**Walter Wujcik**

**Also in attendance were:**

**Mark Miller (Director of Public Works),**

**Mike Ellis (Pennoni).**

**Peter Hicks (Supervisor**

**Kelly Brophy, Finance Director**

**Patrick McKenna (Attorney)**

Theodore Speedy (Attorney)

Stacey Fuller (Attorney)

**COMMON ACRONYMS:**

*ATS – Automatic Transfer Switch*

*BFES – Big Fish Environmental Services*

*BOS – Board of Supervisors*

*CB – Conservancy Board*

*DEP – Department of Environmental Protection*

*EPA – Environmental protection Agency*

*HC – Historical Commission*

*I&I – Inflow & Infiltration*

*LCSTP – Lockwood Chase Sewer Treatment Plant*

*PWD – Public Works Department*

*MA- Municipal Authority*

*NPDES – National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System*

*PC – Planning Commission*

*PM – Prevention Maintenance*

*PR – Park & Recreation Board*

*RCSTP – Ridley Creek Sewer Treatment Plant*

*SBR – Sequencing Batch Reactor*

*SSO – Sanitary System Overflow*

*WAS – Waste Activated Sludge*

**Call to Order & Pledge of Allegiance**

John called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm and led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

John asked for a moment of silence for our First Responders and Military.

John asked if anyone would be recording the meeting. There was no response.

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

None

**Liaison Reports**

1. Conservancy Board - Walter mentioned that Keep East Goshen Beautiful day is in April.

2. Planning Commission – John reported that they are considering the AI Data Centers to be covered in our Ordinance.

3. BOS – Peter had nothing to report.

## **SEWER REPORTS**

### **1. Director of Public Works, Mark Miller’s report for February 9, 2026.**

**Monthly Flows** – The average daily flow to West Goshen was 558,781 gallons per day.

**Monthly Rainfall** - 2.55”. Mark mentioned that they were busy most of the month clearing snow.

**Meters**: Read on a daily basis. No problems to report.

#### **C.C.Collection**

- All Pump stations were visited daily and regular maintenance was performed.

#### **Ridley Creek Collection:**

- Pump stations were visited daily and regular maintenance was performed.

#### **Ridley Creek Plant:**

- Lenni started their annual inspection of breakers and fuses.

**Alarms**: 6

**PA One Calls**: 73

**Lateral Repairs/Caps**: 0

### **2. West Goshen Report**

- Kelly provided a copy of the West Goshen invoice for East Goshen’s share of the operation and maintenance costs of the Sewage Treatment System. The WGSA has been awarded a grant of \$250,000 for the WWTP Pump Replacements project.

### **3. Pennoni Engineer’s Report dated February 9, 2026**

#### ***Ridley Creek Sewage Treatment Plant (RCSTP)***

- **Surge Suppression Inventory** – The surge suppression inventory report identifying the protected downstream equipment in the plant is being finalized.
- **SBR Tank Inspections** – No updates since our last report. Inspections of SBRs #1 and #2 were performed in 2025. Inspections of SBRs #3 and #4 are tentatively planned to occur in spring 2026. Based on the projected costs for the repairs identified in the first two tanks, the repair work will need to be publicly bid. We expect the most cost-effective approach will be to inspect the other two tanks and then conduct one public bid solicitation in late 2026 for repairs to all four tanks. That approach will be determined with more certainty after we

inspect the remaining two tanks.

### ***Sanitary Sewer Pipe Rehab***

- **Supplee Valley Pipe Lining** – No updates since our last report. As previously reported, the contractor, Vortex Services, completed all pipe lining work, but one 370 LF pipe run has small “bubbles” throughout the liner. The contractor proposed to remove a sample of the blistered liner with a robotic cutter to evaluate the condition of the underlying resin/felt cured wall. In follow-up to the August MA meeting, we notified the contractor to proceed with the evaluation. They responded that they were meeting internally the week of August 26 to review the next steps. We have followed up with them several times since then, most recently on November 3, but have not received a response. Final payment will not be processed until this matter is resolved.
- **Waterview** – We performed visual interior condition assessments of a portion of manholes in the neighborhood. Most of the manholes are brick and did not have any observed deficiencies; a few manholes have already been interior lined. Several manhole lids were unable to be opened, and one manhole appears to be buried in a residential yard. We will perform another site visit with Public Works after the snow melts to open and assess the remainder of the manholes. We had intended to request authority to advertise the project at the February MA meeting, but we recommend the remaining manholes be inspected and any needed repairs identified before doing so. Weather permitting, we expect to request authority to advertise at the March MA meeting.

We also field measured distances between manholes to resolve discrepancies between sewer system mapping and the pipe lengths from the sewer videos.

### ***Pump Stations***

- **Hunt Country Pump Station** – The PA Department of Community and Economic Development (DCED) Small Water and Sewer Grant application for the pump station upgrade was awarded in the amount of \$205,000 on January 20, 2026. The budgetary project cost is approximately \$630,000, including engineering and construction administration. The application had been for \$479,952 with the remainder as a match.

We submitted a proposal for survey, engineering, permitting, and bid assistance services for the project.

### ***Sewer Extensions***

- **Morstein Road and Great Oak Circle** – We continued preparation of the concept design and plan for the sewer extensions. We will provide a list of locations for Public Works to perform soft dig test pits for rock depths based upon the conceptually designed sewer depths. After we complete the concept design, we will develop an updated construction cost opinion.
- **Charter Chase and Goshen Downs** – No updates since our last report. The results of the sewer extension interest survey in 2025 were that 58 properties are definitely interested, 23 properties are interested depending on costs, 42 properties are not interested, and 31 properties did not respond.

## ***Chapter 94 Reports***

- We are continuing preparation of the 2025 Chapter 94 Annual Reports. We are on track to submit before the March 31 submission due date.

## ***New Connections***

- **1344 Morstein Road** – One new home is proposed with a grinder pump and low pressure sewer lateral through an easement across an existing residential property to the existing sewer main in Eastwick Circle. We reviewed a revised plan submission, issued a comment letter, and discussed the approach to resolve outstanding comments with the design engineer.

## ***Other***

- **GIS Mapping** – We are initiating a limited update of the sewer system mapping in GIS to correct the Waterview manhole and pipe discrepancies noted above and to make it a functional asset management tool for the Public Works Department. Once updated, we will present it to Public Works to discuss additional features and enhancements that can be added, options for web hosting so that it can be available in the field for use by Public Works on repairs and PA One Call locating amongst other things, and the capability for Township staff to update manhole and pipe information themselves.
- **Sewer Specifications** – We updated the Township sewer lateral standard detail regarding cleanout fittings as requested by Mark Miller.

## **3. Big Fish Environmental Services –**

The Ridley Creek sewage treatment plant outfall 001 met all effluent limitations regarding water quality for January 2026. All supplemental reports were submitted for December 2025. Caustic usage decreased to 47.99 gallons per day from 62.46 gallons per day last month. This was due to less being required to maintain alkalinity in the sludge holding tanks. Aluminum sulfate solution volumes daily average decreased to 68.61 gallons per day from 71.25 gallons per day. No significant mechanical or operational issues were observed during the SBR treatment process. Sludge dewatering did not encounter any significant mechanical or operational issues. There were no odor complaints during the month.

## **Approval of Minutes**

The minutes of the January 12, 2025 meeting were approved as amended.

## **Approval of Invoices**

1. Walter approved payment of Pennoni Invoices:
  - #1311436 in the amount of \$4,835.25.
  - #1311437 in the amount of \$14,225.50Dana seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.
2. Sean moved to approved payment of the Kappe Associates invoice #25-640-M in the amount of \$4,251.50 (paid). John seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.
3. Dana moved to approve payment of the Gawthrop Greenwood invoice #222087284 in the amount of \$273.00. John seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

### **Financial Reports**

Kelly reviewed the following report: YTD January 2026, the Municipal Authority recorded \$4,876.81 in revenues (primarily from Sewer Capital Reserve and Sewer Operating transfers) and \$4,864.00 in expenses (Hershey Mill pump station mission alarm panel installation and engineering expenses). The net result of operations is \$512.81. As of January 31, 2026, the fund balance was \$28,380.03.

### **Old Business -**

None

### **Goals**

1. It was noted that the change to add “Municipal Authority representative to attend on as needed basis was not done.

### **New Business –**

1. Motor Control Center – Mike mentioned that there is going to be a meeting on Wednesday to discuss removal of the Motor Control Center to consolidate everything.

2. Hunt Country Pump Station Engineering Proposal- Mike reviewed the design proposal and what changes will be made. The pump station is 45 years old and has only had minimum maintenance done. The estimated cost is \$80,600.00. Bidding will be done in the fall. Dana made a motion authorizing Pennoni to do the Hunt Country Pump Station project. Walter seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

3. Capacity Requests – 1354 Paoli Pk, Homeowner: Joe Francis. Proposal is for a grinder pump system and will require an easement from 642 Meadow Dr. Mark explained where this is and who is working with them. He will give the easement to Patrick for review. Walter moved to approve this Capacity Request. John seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

### **Any Other Matter -**

Code of Ethics – John reminded everyone to read the Code of Ethics, sign it and turn it in to the Township.

Correspondence- None

Public Comment - None

### **Adjournment**

There being no further business Sean moved to adjourn the meeting. John seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 7:50 pm.

The next regular meeting will be held on Monday, March 9, 2026 at 7:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Ruth Kiefer, Recording Secretary