

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE
STATE COLLEGE BOROUGH WATER AUTHORITY
June 16, 2022**

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 4:00 P.M., prevailing time, Thursday, June 16, 2022 with Chair Person Jeffrey Kern presiding.

Special note: Due to the CoVID-19 pandemic this meeting was conducted via Zoom and met all open meeting requirements.

PRESENT

Board Members: Chair Person Jeffrey Kern, Rachel Brennan, Jason Grottini, Emory Enscoe, Bernard Hoffnar, Nathaniel Warner, Gary Petersen; Solicitor, Robert Mix; Treasurer, Dennis Hampton; State College Borough Liaison, Brian Robbins; CRPC, Corey Rilk; College Township Water Authority, Richard Harris; Patton Township Liaison, Patricia Monteith; Executive Director, Brian Heiser; Assistant Executive Director, Katie McCaulley; Director of Finance, Denise Smith; Communications and Projects Coordinator, Julia Shaffer; C-Net. A list of attendees is available.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

It was moved by Enscoe, seconded by Grottini that the minutes of the May 19, 2022 meeting be approved. Motion carried unanimously.

HEARING OF CITIZENS

Eighteen citizens commented on pros and cons on fluoridating water. Each citizen had two and a half minutes to speak.

Special note: There was a designated area provided for public access to provide public comment and listen to the proceedings of the meeting.

RATIFICATION OF PAYMENTS

It was moved by Brennan, seconded by Grottini that bill payments in the amount of \$1,627,964.04 be ratified as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

APPROVAL OF BOARD FUND REQUISITIONS

It was moved by Brennan, seconded by Warner that the Board Reserve Fund requisitions in the amount of \$55,126.15 be approved as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

APPROVAL OF PENNVEST LOAN FUND DISTRIBUTION

Executive Director Heiser reported still holding to the substantial completion of September of this year and final completion of December of this year.

It was moved by Enscoe, seconded by Hoffnar that the PennVest Loan Fund distributions in the amount of \$87,695.64 be approved as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

WATER CONNECTION APPLICATIONS

Chairman Kern reported that there were thirteen new water connection applications for approval this month. The applications are as follows:

S&A Homes	Lot 232, 121 Victory Blvd	Patton	1"
S&A Homes	Lot 227, 228 Beaumanor Rd	Patton	1"
S&A Homes	Lot 214, 233 Beaumanor Rd	Patton	1"
Joseph & Holly Bowman	Lot 50, 270 Claremont Ave	College	1"

S&A Homes	Lot 222, 248 Beaumanor Rd	Patton	1"
S&A Homes	Lot 78, 125 Jack Pine Way	Patton	1"
S&A Homes	Lot 79, 127 Jack Pine Way	Patton	1"
S&A Homes	Lot 80, 129 Jack Pine Way	Patton	1"
S&A Homes	Lot 81, 131 Jack Pine Way	Patton	1"
Mathilde Boal Lee Estate C/O Christipher Lee	235 Old Boalsburg Rd	Harris	1"
S&A Homes	Lot 3, 141 Emma Court	Harris	1"
Rockey Ridge Partnership	Lot 311, 253 Derek Dr	Harris	1"
S&A Homes	Lot 203, 190 Phoebe Rd	Patton	1"

It was moved by Hoffnar, seconded by Enscoe that these connections be approved subject to the Authority's Rules & Regulations. Motion carried unanimously.

ACCEPTANCE OF WATER MAIN EXTENSION

Assistant Executive Director McCaulley reported this is for formal acceptance of the completed water main. Staff recommends the Board accepts the water main that was installed by the developer on Jack Pine Way, Woodthrus Way and Phase 6 Section D. Once accepted it will start the two-year warranty period where the contractor will be responsible for all maintenance of the line. It was moved by Grottini, seconded by Hoffnar that the Main Extension be approved. Motion carried unanimously.

ACCEPTANCE OF THE 2021 AUDIT REPORT

Chairman Kern reported the finance committee met with the auditors and reviewed the audit. It was moved by Hoffnar, seconded by Enscoe to accept the 2021 Audit Report.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Finance Committee – No report.

Facilities, Operations and Planning Committee – No report.

Appeals – No report.

Public Relations – No report.

Source Water Protection – No report.

HR Evaluation – No report.

Fluoride (AD HOC) – No report.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

DISTRIBUTION- Three main breaks have been repaired since the last meeting. Two were within a short distance of each other and less than 24 hours apart.

PRODUCTION- The first of two letters have been sent to the customers who will be collecting lead and copper samples this year. Another letter will be sent at the end of the month. The sample vessels will be distributed in July and collected that same week. This will be the last round of lead and copper sampling under the current regulation. The next required sample collection will occur in 2025 under the new regulation.

METER SHOP- Approximately 350 maintenance letters were sent out for meter maintenance.

ADMINISTRATION- PennDOT opened bids for phase III of Atherton Street with the waterline portion coming in at 32% higher than the estimate. The Authority share of the 32% is an additional \$762,000. Withdrawal renewal permit application for well field 2 have been submitted to the SRBC. Testing waiver applications for well fields 3 and 6 have been reviewed by the SRBC, who has requested additional data. Staff participated in the first of three Spikes games this season. The CCR distribution is complete. The

Authority renewed its electric supply contract, which begins January 2023 for twenty-four months. The rate has increased from \$.05 per kwh to \$.09 per kwh.

MAJOR PROJECTS- The final phase of Boalsburg Pike is progressing quickly. Substantial completion should be reached by mid-July. Kemmerer Road project is complete. Harris Township denied both of the variance requests for the main building expansion plans. At the Nixon Kocher Plant, portions of the first electrical panel were delivered two weeks ago. Installation of the panel is underway. The second panel was delivered to the site yesterday.

LIASON'S REPORT

State College Borough Staff Liaison – No report.

Benner Township Water Authority Liaison– Not present.

Centre Regional Planning Commission- No report.

College Township Water Authority Liaison – Mr. Harris reported they are working on the new lead and copper rule. Still working on permit applications for the Oak Hall well.

Ferguson Township Liaison – Not present.

Halfmoon Township – Not present.

Harris Township Liaison – Not present.

Patton Township Water Authority Liaison – Ms. Monteith shared her appreciation for the C-Net coverage of Dr. Brennan's presentation last month and the continued work of the Authority.

University Area Joint Authority Liaison – Not present.

CONSULTANTS REPORT

Solicitor – No report.

Engineer – Mr. Glenn reported the annual report is complete and delivered to the Authority office.

Planning continues for the work on Calder Way, the goal is to finish preliminary engineering within 30-60 days. West Penn Power will be on site sometime in July to energize the facility.

Treasurer –No report.

ADJOURNMENT

At 5:17 p.m., it was moved by Hoffnar, seconded by Grottini that the meeting be adjourned. Motion carried.