

**SUMMIT AUTHORITY MEETING MINUTES  
MAY 19, 2020**

The Summit Township Authority regularly scheduled meeting was held on Tuesday, May 19, 2020 at the Summit Township Municipal Building, 502 Bonniebrook Road, Butler, PA.

**CALL TO ORDER**

David Barry called the meeting to order at 9:25 a.m.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

All persons stood to recite the Pledge of Allegiance.

**ROLL CALL**

Authority members present were Willie Adams, David Barry and Larry Osche. Members absent were Rick Green and Robert Thompson. Also, in attendance, Authority Engineer, Rick Barnett and Authority Secretary, Roxann Stickney. There was no public in attendance

**OPEN TO THE FLOOR – QUESTIONS/COMMENTS ON THE AGENDA**

There were no questions or comments on the agenda.

**MINUTES APPROVAL**

David Barry motioned to approve the February 18, 2020 Authority regular public meeting minutes as presented. Larry Osche seconded the motion. Motion Carried Unanimously.

**ENGINEER'S REPORT**

The engineer submitted the attached report.

It was determined that the Authority would like to continue with the plan to use the rails-to-trails for the service line. The Authority's Solicitor will contact Buffalo Township regarding a Rails-to-Trails Agreement for the sewage service line location.

The Authority Board determined that the properties along Kozik Lane will be required to pay the mandatory tap-in fee.

The cost estimate 15.395 million dollars. Contingency for the project 1.2 million dollars. If rails-to-trails is not an option for the sewage service line, it will cost approximately \$50,000.00 to have the service line on the Summit Township Sportsman Club's property.

**INVOICE APPROVAL**

Larry Osche motioned to approve for payment Murrin, Taylor & Gallagher invoice for rails-to-trails and tax exemption for \$153.00. David Barry seconded the motion. Motion Carried Unanimously.

Larry Osche motioned to approve for payment Senate Engineering Company invoice 57027 for the design phase of the project for \$52,784.80. David Barry seconded the motion. Motion Carried Unanimously.

Larry Osche motioned to approve for payment Senate Engineering Company invoice 57245 for the design phase of the project for \$10,668.50. David Barry seconded the motion. Motion Carried Unanimously.

David Barry motioned to send a payment request to the Summit Township Board of Supervisors for the above approved invoices for a total of \$63,606.30. The Authority will reimburse Summit Township upon receiving funding. Larry Osche seconded the motion. Motion Carried Unanimously.

**ADDITIONAL BUSINESS**

Options for the public meeting were discussed. The meeting could be held on a Saturday from 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. The number of people in the meeting room will be limited to meet the Coronavirus (Covid-19) social distancing requirements.

After the pre-application meeting with the DEP and all permits are obtained, Penn Vest will be contacted for funding.

**OPEN TO THE FLOOR – PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

There was no public in attendance.

**ADJOURN**

With there being no further business to come before the Summit Township Authority, Larry Osche made a motion to adjourn. Willie Adams seconded the motion. Motion Carried Unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 10:15 a.m.

**THE NEXT MEETING WILL BE HELD ON TUESDAY, JUNE 16, 2020 AT 9:00 A.M.**

Respectfully Submitted, Roxann Stickney, Secretary

**SUMMIT AUTHORITY  
ENGINEER'S REPORT**

SENATE #12068

May 19, 2020

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**Work in Progress**

1. The archaeological investigation and report have been approved by the SHPO in a letter dated 3/2/2020. No further archaeological investigations are needed unless additional areas will be disturbed.
2. A meeting was held on 2/21/2020 with Ms. Chris Zeigler of the Allegheny Valley Land Trust to discuss use of a portion of the Butler-Freeport Community Trail (BFCT) right-of-way (ROW) for the sewer alignment. Ms. Zeigler expressed the following concerns:
  - a. Pipe or manholes could not be placed in the cartway of the trail due to rail banking requirements and potential return of the ROW for railroad uses.
  - b. Manholes would not be permitted in the ditch line if they extended aboveground and obstructed flow in the ditch.
  - c. A segment of the trail between Brinker and Herman Roads would not be suitable for sewerline installation due to sections of fill and steep embankments.These conditions make placing the sewer in the BFCT ROW difficult and other option(s) may be needed.
3. Authority solicitor has contacted Buffalo Twp solicitor for feedback on draft agreement with Buffalo Township for use of the trail ROW.
4. A meeting was held with the Summit Township Sportsmens Club (STSC) on 3/5/2020 to see if they would be amenable to moving the sewer between Brinker and Herman Roads from the BFCT down to a location along the creek through the STSC property. Preliminary indications are that the STSC may consider allowing the pipe on their property if it is located on the north side of the pond. If the pipe is moved the new area would need to be evaluated for wetlands and archaeological clearance.
5. Additional information was provided to Solicitor for use in interim finance closing.
6. A meeting was held with Senator Pittman's office on 3/5/2020 to provide an update on the project and discuss funding. Sen. Pittman indicated a single phase project may be possible and to discuss it with D Henning prior to submitting an application.
7. PennDOT highway occupancy permit is nearing completion.
8. A teleconference pre-application permit discussion is tentatively scheduled with DEP for 5/21/2020 for stream crossings, wetland and outfall discussions.
9. Waiting for County conservation district response to our request for a pre-application meeting
10. The WWTP design is being revised to include larger tankage and additional chemical treatment to reduce the effluent phosphorus values.
11. The geotechnical fieldwork and laboratory soil analyses are complete and a draft report has been received.
12. Based on discussion and direction at the November Board meeting, the collection system is being extended to provide a point of connection to the 5 homes in the Kozik area. The Solicitor should be contacted to discuss options for the private portions of the sewer on the Kozik properties.

13. The project cost estimate has been updated based on the new treatment requirements, electrical service requirements, revised pipe layouts information, and other project details.
14. The WQM Part II permit application, General information form, Engineers Report, sewage modules, specifications, drawings, GP-5, Chapter 102 (construction stormwater NPDES) and other permit applications are in varying stages of nearing completion pending discussions with DEP.

**Data/Information Requested**

1. Confirmation that the Authority would like to continue to try and get use of trail ROW for sewer alignment at this time.

**END OF ENGINEER'S REPORT**