

**SUMMIT AUTHORITY MEETING MINUTES
JUNE 16, 2020**

The Summit Township Authority regularly scheduled meeting was held on Tuesday, June 16, 2020 at the Summit Township Municipal Building, 502 Bonniebrook Road, Butler, PA.

CALL TO ORDER

David Barry called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

All persons stood to recite the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL

Authority members present were Willie Adams, David Barry, Rick Green and Robert Thompson. Member absent Larry Osche. 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.

MAY 19, 2020 MEETING MINUTES APPROVAL

The May 19, 2020 minutes could not be approved due to lack of quorum. The minutes will be presented at the next meeting.

ENGINEER'S REPORT

The engineer submitted the attached report.

Options for the rails-to-trail sewer alignment was discussed. If it is not feasible to use rails-to-trail, the Summit Sportsman Club property was discussed. The engineer will submit a cost analysis of using the rails-to-trail or constructing a pump station on Herman Road in lieu of rails-to-trail for the sewer alignment.

The engineer will schedule a meeting with Chris Ziegler the representative for Buffalo Township/Butler-Freeport Community Trail to discuss options for the sewer alignment on rails-to-trail.

A meeting with the Koziks to discuss their service line will be scheduled.

INVOICE APPROVAL

Willie Adams motioned to approve for payment the Jerich Insurance Agency invoice 1927 for the 1st installment of the Authority's liability insurance for \$659.00. Robert Thompson seconded the motion. Motion Carried Unanimously.

Rick Green motioned to approve for payment Murrin, Taylor & Gallagher invoice for rails-to-trail Buffalo Township Agreement for \$68.00. Robert Thompson seconded the motion. Motion Carried Unanimously.

Rick Green motioned to approve for payment Senate Engineering Company invoice 57379 for the Act 537 design phase for \$12,974.50. 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 invoices for a total of \$13,701.50. The Authority will reimburse the Township upon receiving funding. Rick Green seconded the motion. Motion Carried Unanimously.

ADDITIONAL BUSINESS

There was no additional business.

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, Robert Thompson made a motion to adjourn. Rick Green seconded the motion. Motion Carried Unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 10:30 a.m.

THE NEXT MEETING WILL BE HELD ON TUESDAY, JULY 14, 2020 AT 9:00 A.M.

Respectfully Submitted, Roxann Stickney, Secretary

**SUMMIT AUTHORITY
ENGINEER'S REPORT**

SENATE #12068

June 16, 2020

Work in Progress

1. A pre-application permit teleconference was held with DEP for 5/21/2020 for the WQM Part 2 permit to discuss application package contents and formats.
2. A pre-application permit teleconference was held with DEP/BCCD on 6/12/2020 for stream crossings and wetland discussions. The results of the meeting indicate that a General Permit may be used for these items and no additional wetlands mitigation will be required.
3. Central Electric has been contacted several times for information on power supply for the Geibel Road pump station but no response has been received to date.
4. 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. Authority solicitor has contacted Buffalo Twp solicitor for feedback on draft agreement with Buffalo Township for use of the trail ROW. The feedback indicates *"Yes. The Supervisors, our engineer, and the Trail Council are adamant that there can be no easement unless there are no manholes or other impediments anywhere near the areas where people walk, run, and ride. Previous preliminary drawings had problems in this regard."*
5. 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. Proposals for this work have been received as follows:
 - a. Wetlands investigation \$3,630 (wetland delineation and fieldwork, mapping, and report)
 - b. Phase I Archaeological Survey \$9,020 (background research, fieldwork, mapping and report)
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. The WWTP design is being revised to include larger tankage and additional chemical

treatment to reduce the effluent phosphorus values to meet the stricter effluent limits required by DEP in the Part 1 NPDES permit.

8. 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 finalizing the details of the agreement for Koziks to construct the lines on private property, tap fees, etc.
9. The project cost estimate has been updated based on the new treatment requirements, electrical service requirements, revised pipe layouts information, and other project details.
10. 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. Direction from the Authority on which options to continue to investigate for collection system
 - a. Use of trail ROW (gravity or force main)
 - b. Relocate sewer to cross sportsmens club property
 - c. Alternative alignments (will require additional pump stations and grinder pumps)

END OF ENGINEER'S REPORT

