

SUMMIT AUTHORITY MEETING

JUNE 11, 2026

The Summit Authority meeting was held on Thursday, June 11, 2026 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 people stood to recite the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL

Authority members present were David Barry, Brad Badali, Larry Osche, and Rick Green. Also, present were the Authority Secretary, Roxann Stickney and Authority engineer, Drew Null. Also in attendance was Jim Dittmer, Curt Hortsman, Dan Reott, Dean Reott, Duane Reott, Chad Spohn, and John Mink.

OPEN TO THE FLOOR – QUESTIONS/COMMENTS ON THE AGENDA

There were no questions or comments on the agenda.

MAY 14, 2026 REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

Rick Green motioned to approve the May 14, 2026 regular meeting minutes as presented. Larry Osche seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

ENGINEER'S REPORT

Engineer, Drew Null presented the attached report.

Tentatively obtaining easements will be in the Spring of 2027. All easements must be obtained before the closing with Pennvest.

The public outreach newsletter to residents in the service area will be sent out next week.

The cost of project is being refined for the connection to Pennsylvania American Water Company pump station at Ziegler Avenue.

The Solicitor will be contacted regarding bond financing for the project.

Rick Green motioned to approve the engineer's report as presented. Larry Osche seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

TREASURER REPORT

Treasurer, Roxann Stickney, presented the following report.

There were no deposits.

There were no disbursements.

The account balance is \$39.68.

David Barry motioned to approve the treasurer report as presented. Rick Green seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

INVOICES APPROVAL

David Barry motioned to approve the payment for DEP invoice 1467057 for the annual fee for the NPDES permit for \$500.00. Rick Green seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Larry Osche motioned to approve the payment for LSSE Civil Engineers and Surveyors invoice 202604925 for PAWC coordination and waste load report for \$1,524.25. Brad Badali seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

David Barry motioned to approve the payment for LSSE Civil Engineers and Surveyors invoice 202606162 for permit modifications and Pennvest meeting for \$1,128.10. Larry Osche seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

David Barry motioned to submit a payment request to the Summit Township Board of Supervisors for the above referenced invoices totaling \$3,152.35. The Authority will reimburse the Township upon receiving funding. Rick Green seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

EDUs & PIPE COSTS

A resident requested information regarding EDUs and pipe costs for the Moran Road and Schnur Road area of the project. This information was submitted to the engineer in advance of the meeting for discussion. The engineer did not have any analysis to present. The engineer will have the analysis completed for the next meeting.

MEETING DATES & TIME CHANGE

David Barry motioned to change the Authority meeting to the fourth Tuesday of each month at 7:00 p.m. Brad Badali seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

ADDITIONAL BUSINESS

Chad Spohn submitted a letter of interest to become a member of the Summit Authority Board. Mr. Spohn is a mechanical engineer with 15 years' experience with gas company pipelines. Rick Green motioned to approve Chad Spohn as a member of the Authority Board. Brad Badalie seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

OPEN TO THE FLOOR – PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

The EDUs billing must be same for all properties either flat rate or usage basis. The engineer will research the feasibility of well water meters compared to flat rate usage.

The bill will have a \$45.00 surcharge for PA American Water Company to process the effluent.

ADJOURNMENT

With there being no further business to come before the Board, Brad Badali motioned to adjourn the meeting. Larry Osche seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 10:22 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted, Roxann L. Stickney, Secretary

NEXT REGULAR AUTHORITY MEETING WILL BE HELD JULY 28, 2026 AT 7:00 P.M.



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ENGINEER'S REPORT

TO: Summit Township
Authority Board

DATE: June 11, 2026

FROM: L. J. Lennon, Jr., P.E.
D. I. Null, P.E.

S. O. NO.: 675-001

cc: File

SUBJECT: **June 2026 Meeting**

1. Project Design

- A. **Permitting:** PADEP provided the draft NPDES Part I Permit on April 21, 2025. This is observed as advertised in the May 3, 2025, edition of the Pennsylvania Bulletin commencing the 30-day public comment period.

Status of project related permits are identified below.

Permit Name	Permit Number	Issued Date	Expiration Date
PennDOT Highway Occupancy Permit (HOP)	10025415	March 15, 2023	March 22, 2027
PennDOT Highway Occupancy Permit (HOP)	10025419	March 12, 2023	March 22, 2027
Butler County Conservation District General Permit	GP-041000221-004 GP-051000221-022 GP-081000221-011	March 4, 2022	Does not expire.
NPDES Part I (Discharge Permit)	PA0272043	December 2, 2019	June 30, 2030
PaDEP Individual NPDES for Discharges of Stormwater During Construction	PAD100019	August 2, 2023	August 1, 2028
PaDEP Water Quality Management Part II	1024401	May 7, 2024	May 7, 2029

LSSE contacted PADEP to discuss permit revisions; PADEP advised that resubmission should wait until Act 537 approval has been received. LSSE to prepare modifications over next two months.

- B. **Project Easements:** Exhibits have been drafted and issued to the Solicitor for agreement preparation. Listing included 471 properties; it was determined that 327 properties require easements. Public Meeting to be scheduled after a funding alternative is selected such that a conceptual user rate can be determined. No change this month. Schedule considerations to be reviewed with Board.
- **Budget:** Budget will largely include Solicitor and Engineering services related to obtaining, recording easements and associated tasks. Where property owners are objectionable, the Authority may consider eminent domain proceedings which could result in compensation. These are typically a small percentage of the total easements required.
 - **Timing:** It is anticipated that this process will take approximately 90 to 120 days to obtain project easements. The first 30 days will include group public meetings. Within the 30 to 60 day period, individual meetings can be scheduled with property owners. A “final” notice to property owners can be issued at the 60 day mark. Within the 60 to 90 day period, individual meetings will continue with property owners. The listing of outstanding easements would be developed during this period. The Solicitor will likely lead the process within the 90 to 120 day period to secure remaining easements.
 - **Public Meetings:** It is anticipated that approximately three meetings will be scheduled in the evening for public engagement. Schedule to be reviewed with Board between now and Spring 2027. These meetings are typically structured to provide the overall public with general information and to allow for individual discussions following general presentation. It is recommended that a notary is available such that easements may be executed during this period.
- C. **Public Outreach:** Newsletter language has been drafted by LSSE for review and comment. Copy provided for comment at April Board meeting, Authority requested LSSE take lead for distribution to residents. There will be 323 mailers. Mailers are being issued.
- D. **Pennsylvania American Water Company Bulk Treatment:** Discussion with PAWC ongoing, LSSE provided drawing to illustrate gravity connection. PAWC advised on February 12, 2026, that they are reviewing. Additional information was provided on April 10, 2026. Discussion ongoing.
- E. **Planning:** The following project schedule was drafted and is subject to change based on review times by municipal and state departments, as well as timely submissions of information from PAWC. The public comment period ended on February 10, 2026. Resolution approved by Supervisors at the February meeting. Butler County Planning Commission comments were received on March 4, 2026. Plan has been submitted to PADEP.

<u>Act 537 Tasks</u>	<u>Estimated Completion</u>
PADEP Review – Final Plan Approval	August 2026

<u>Permitting Tasks</u>	<u>Estimated Completion</u>
Finalize Design and Permitting	August 2026
Submit Permitting PADEP	August 2026
PADEP Permit Approvals	October 2026

<u>Funding Tasks</u>	<u>Estimated Completion</u>
Funding Acquisition Submission	October 2026
Advertise for Bids	January 2027
Award Contract	February 2027
Funding Closing	April 2027

2. Project Funding

- A. **PENNVEST:** *Application, permits, Act 537 Plan and PADEP review including any modifications are required prior to the application cut-off date. The following updates are provided relative to PENNVEST tasks:*
- Updated planning consultation meeting was held on May 14, 2026.
 - Second opinion kickoff was held with Benesch on April 13, 2026.
 - The October 28, 2026 application cutoff may be anticipated subject to Act 537 and permit modification approvals.
 - Authority will need to provide information to PENNVEST to complete the legal entity registration process.
 - Additional funding is anticipated above the PENNVEST statutory funding limitation, likely through bond. LSSE to review with Authority and Solicitor in next two months. PENNVEST will require a bond arrangement at the time of application.
- B. **2024 PA DCED Statewide Local Share Account Program:** *Applications were submitted in November 2024 to request funding for Phase I and Phase II project. Funding was awarded in the amount of \$250,000.00.*
- C. **2025 PA DCED Statewide Local Share Account Program:** *Application for Phase I Sanitary Sewer Improvements were submitted to DCED.*