

**WEST MIFFLIN SANITARY SEWER & STORMWATER AUTHORITY
BOARD OF DIRECTORS' MEETING**

**Meeting Minutes
Thursday January 8th, 2026**

CALL TO ORDER: 6:00pm

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL **Present** – James Hess, Greg Hlasnick via phone, John Munsie via phone, David Tartler, Robert Kostelnik

ALSO PRESENT: Matthew Racunas, Esq., Matt Elyes, Brian Kamauf, Jessica Emerick, Gary Stetar, Haley Tartler

ANNOUNCEMENTS: Executive Session was held during the December 4th, 2025 board meeting.

RECEPTION OF VISITORS: None at this time.

Meeting turned over to Solicitor:

1. REORGANIZATION OF THE BOARD:

- a. Hess nominates Kostelnik for Chairman and second by Tartler.
Motion by Hess and second by Tartler to appoint Kostelnik for Chairman.
Vote: 5–Yes (JH, GH, JM, DT, RK) 0–No

Meeting returned to Chairman.

- b. Hess nominates Tartler for Vice-Chairman and second by Hlasnick.
Motion by Hess and second by Hlasnick to appoint Tartler for Vice-Chairman.
Vote: 5–Yes (JH, GH, JM, DT, RK) 0–No
- c. Tartler nominates Hess for Secretary and second by Hlasnick.
Motion by Tartler and second by Hlasnick to appoint Hess for Secretary.
Vote: 5–Yes (JH, GH, JM, DT, RK) 0–No
- d. Hess nominates Munsie for Treasurer and second by Tartler.
Motion by Hlasnick and second by Hess to appoint Munsie for Treasurer.
Vote: 5–Yes (JH, GH, JM, DT, RK) 0–No
- e. Tartler nominates Hlasnick for Assistant Secretary/Treasurer and second by Hess.
Motion by Tartler and second by Hess to appoint Hlasnick for Assistant Secretary/Treasurer. **Vote: 5–Yes (JH, GH, JM, DT, RK) 0–No**
- f. Tartler nominates Racunas Law Group as Authority Solicitor and second by Hess.
Motion by Tartler and second by Hlasnick to appoint Solicitor as Racunas Law Group.
Vote: 5–Yes (JH, GH, JM, DT, RK) 0–No
- g. Hess nominates KLH Engineers as Authority Engineers and second by Hlasnick.
Motion by Hess and second by Hlasnick to appoint Authority Engineer to KLH Engineers, Inc. **Vote: 5–Yes (JH, GH, JM, DT, RK) 0–No**

2. Motion by Tartler and second by Hess to approve the minutes from the Board Meeting on December 4th, 2025. **Vote: 5–Yes (JH, GH, JM, DT, RK) 0–No**
3. Motion by Hlasnick and second by Hess to approve the Treasurers' Reports for October 2025. **Vote: 5–Yes (JH, GH, JM, DT, RK) 0–No**
4. Motion by Hlasnick and second by Tartler to ratify the December 2025 bills. **Vote: 5–Yes (JH, GH, JM, DT, RK) 0–No**
5. Motion by Hess and second by Tartler to approve requisition 2020-58 in the amount of \$28,846.39 as draw down against Bond Series 2020, by Trustee US Bank. **Vote: 5–Yes (JH, GH, JM, DT, RK) 0–No**
6. Report of the Solicitor. **Report of the Solicitor available upon request.**
7. Report of the Engineer. **Report of the Engineer available upon request.**
 - a. Motion by Hess and Tartler to authorize KLH to proceed with the design and preparation of bid documents for the New England WWTP Concrete Restoration Project to utilize the \$225,000 LSA Grant award. **Vote: 5–Yes (JH, GH, JM, DT, RK) 0–No**
 - b. Motion Hlasnick and second by Tartler to approve the purchase of two Vaughan Chopper Pumps and three motors, including one shelf spare motor in the amount of \$63,911.67 and the necessary electrical improvements, with an estimated construction cost of approximately \$15,000, to utilize the \$50,000 GEDTF Grant award for Pleasant Hills Pump Station No.1. **Vote: 5–Yes (JH, GH, JM, DT, RK) 0–No**
 - c. Motion by Hess and second by Hlasnick to approve the Gildea Group Change Order No.1 in the amount of \$117,300 for supply and installation of SBR ladders and platforms. (2025-01 Thompson Run Headworks Project) **Vote: 5–Yes (JH, GH, JM, DT, RK) 0–No**
 - d. Motion by Tartler and second by Hess to approve the Gildea Group Change Order No.2 in the amount of \$267,400 for supply and installation of replacement primary clarifier equipment (2025-01 Thompson Run Headworks Project) **Vote: 5–Yes (JH, GH, JM, DT, RK) 0–No**
 - e. Motion by Hess and second by Tartler to authorize KLH to proceed with preliminary design and construction cost estimate to address the New England WWTP operational concerns. **Vote: 5–Yes (JH, GH, JM, DT, RK) 0–No**
8. Report of the Executive Director. **Report of the Executive Director available upon request.**
9. Report of the Authority Director. **Report of the Authority Director available upon request.**
10. Report of the General Manager. **Report of the General Manager available upon request.**
11. Executive Session was **held from 6:24pm to 6:35pm.**
Another executive session was **held from 6:36pm to 7:12pm.**

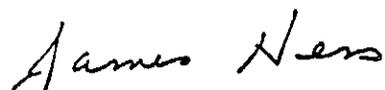
12. Agenda Items.

- a. Motion to adopt Resolution No. 187-26 to approve the amendment Number 2 of the 457-plan document. **Motion was Tabled.**
- b. Motion by Hlasnick and second by Hess to approve the engagement of Campbell Durrant, PC as special counsel. **Vote: 5–Yes (JH, GH, JM, DT, RK) 0–No**

13. New Business. **None at this time.**

14. Motion Hess and second by Hlasnick to **adjourn at 6:36pm.**

Respectfully submitted:



James Hess – Secretary