

THE GILPIN TOWNSHIP MUNICIPAL AUTHORITY

Regular Meeting

June 9, 2026

Call To Order: Regular meeting called to order by Chairman Swarmer at 6:30 P.M.

Roll Call: Board members in attendance were Mazak, McIntire, Szarek, Swarmer, Ben Cinpinski, Vento, along with Solicitor Cinpinski & Engineer Hoover. Chris Swank/CKH Excavating was absent.

Visitors: None

Minutes:

- A. A motion was made by Szarek & seconded by McIntire to approve the minutes of the May/ 2026 regular meeting as presented. Ben Cinpinski abstained from voting. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report:

- A. A motion was made by McIntire & seconded by Szarek to approve the treasurer's report as presented. Motion carried.
- B. A motion was made by Szarek & seconded by Ben Cinpinski to approve the bills as presented. Motion carried.
- C. A motion was made by Vento & seconded by McIntire to accept the Jerich Insurance bill as presented, and authorize Mazak to pay first installment. Motion carried.
- D. A motion was made by Ben Cinpinski & seconded by Szarek to pay the FTMSA bill as presented. Swarmer abstained from voting/conflict of interest. Motion carried.
- E. A motion was made by Szarek & seconded by Vento for Mazak to withdraw money from Charles Schwab acct #9845 to pay CNB Loan. Motion carried.

Correspondence:

- A. A motion was made by McIntire & seconded by Szarek to accept the resignation of James "Parker" Skeel from the Authority Board. Motion carried
- B. An email was received from Sokol Fazliu on 5-13-26, on behalf of D&M Painting Corporation, requesting to be on our bidder list for upcoming projects involving structural steel repairs, sandblasting, fabrication, welding & painting. Gibson-Thomas is familiar with this company, and we will keep this company in mind for future projects, if needed.
- C. EMC Insurance sent us a letter letting the Authority know they received our

claim for property located at 341 State Route 66, Leechburg. Claim number Y00043397 is for this claim.

- D. An email was received from, Connie Jerich/Jerich Insurance, on 6-2-26, quoting the Authority's EMC Insurance premium estimate of \$20,908.00 for policy term 07/01/2026-07/01/2027. See motion made listed under treasurer's report.

Unfinished Business:

- A. New tap in rates for water and sewer are still being reviewed and discussed. Cinpinski was contacting LSSE for the work they already performed on this matter. Also checking to see if the information was completed and given to the Authority. (Tabled from June's meeting.)
- B. Cinpinski spoke with James Smith, from Snyder's Oil & Gas, concerning the lease for the Authority. Cinpinski will continue to follow-up.
- C. Lead Line Verification updates, after performing Hydrovac work, the holes are being filled with stone and not dirt.
- D. New water & sewage rates (Tabled from June's meeting)
- E. Allegheny Ludlum Dye test was performed by Chad Caldwell, from PC Utility. The seller is ATI Bagdad Plant also known as Allegheny Ludlum & purchaser, West Leechburg Holdings, LLC, both are aware of the defects that need to be addressed after Robert Swarmer, Chairman of GTMA, reviewed the results of the dye test.
- F. Recycling Center/6" mainline issues were repaired by Franklin Township Sanitary Authority (FTMSA), who the Authority hired to perform the work. The manhole was raised and the work was completed with some recommendations that were given to the Authority. It will be up to the Board to move forward with any of the recommendation repairs received.
- G. Documents needed to sale our water to gas companies or other bulk customers will be tabled indefinitely. The Authority Board will review in the future if the opportunity arises.
- H. Lacey Ripple/DEP Safe Drinking Water Program, will be at the Authority on June 11, 2026, to perform an inspection.

New Business:

- A. A motion was made by Szarek & seconded by Ben Cinpinski to approve the logo & letterhead that Swarmer created for Gilpin Township Municipal Authority. Motion carried.
- B. GTMA Budget for fiscal year 2026/2027 will be discussed at our recessed meeting on June 30, 2026, at 6:00 PM.

Solicitor's Report:

- A. There were (11) shut-off letters/postings for this month.

Engineer's Report:

- A. See attached report from Gibson-Thomas.
- B. Acknowledged we received an Engineer's Report

System/Fire Hydrant Review:

- A. There were (2) service line leaks or repairs during the month. Nicholas Mazak (962 Ice Pond Road, ours) & Robert Bish (176 Hillview Manor Road, his)
- B. There was fire hydrant maintenance performed for the month, exercised valves and flushed hydrants.
- C. Acknowledged we received a System Report will be tabled until July's regular monthly meeting.

Monthly Billings:

- A. There were 2,625,000 gallons billed for this month.

Adjournment:

- A. A motion was made by McIntire & seconded by Szarek to go into an Executive session at 7:46 PM. Motion carried.
- B. A motion was made by Szarek & seconded by Vento to come out of Executive session at 7:54 PM. Motion carried.
- C. A motion was made by Szarek and seconded by McIntire to recess the regular meeting at 7:55 PM. for the purpose of discussion for the 2026/2027 budget review. Recessed Meeting is scheduled for June 30, 2026 at 6:00 PM. Motion carried.

Secretary/Treasurer



Sonya J. Mazak



Gilpin Township Municipal Authority

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Engineer's Report

Current Projects (Water):

- N/A

Current Projects (Sewer):

- N/A

Miscellaneous Projects:

- CFA LSA Statewide Grant for GIS Mapping (0% Match) – Grant submitted – Award Announcement September 2026 (Grant total was \$30,600 – DCED did not accept contingency funds and subtracted \$1,500)
- Service Line Inventory
 - a. Cost for Lead Line Verification and Replacement will be estimated at around \$10,000 per line.
 - b. Cost for Lead Line Verification ESRI software and setup is estimated to cost approximately \$3000 in total.
- Completed and submitted Authority's Chapter 94 report KVVWPCA.
- Lead and Copper Rule Compliance: EPA Region 3 has advised that an Administrative Order is anticipated in connection with the Authority's failure to submit the required initial Service Line Inventory by October 16, 2024. The Authority has since begun service line material verification efforts toward completing the inventory. Remaining work includes finalizing the inventory, completing any required public notification, and coordinating with EPA and PADEP to resolve the matter.
- Lead Service Line Inventory: Field verification of unknown service line materials is ongoing by the Authority's contractor. Gibson-Thomas is awaiting an updated status of the completed verifications to update the Lead Service Line Inventory. The updated information will be used to provide EPA with a progress update on the Authority's verification efforts, while work continues toward completing the inventory and complying with applicable Lead and Copper Rule requirements.
- Nitrification Control Plan: In response to the PADEP sanitary survey and Notice of Violation, we have developed a draft Nitrification Control Plan to address the significant deficiency due to the lack of such a plan. This document outlines procedures for monitoring, operational practices, storage tank management, response actions, and documentation. It also includes an annual review process to identify, prevent, and respond to potential nitrification within the Authority's distribution system. The

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draft plan will be presented to the Authority Board for review and feedback before we consult with PADEP, finalize the plan, and implement corrective actions in accordance with the compliance schedule.

Items Requested by Authority Manager

- N/A

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