

THE GILPIN TOWNSHIP MUNICIPAL AUTHORITY

Regular Meeting

August 11, 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 was absent. Chris Swank/CKH Excavating was present.

Visitors: None

Minutes:

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

Treasurer's Report:

- A. A motion was made by McIntire & seconded by Vento 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.

Correspondence:

- A. A motion was made by Szarek and seconded by McIntire for Chris Swank to place an order from LB Water for a Mueller Fire Hydrant Upper Barrel for an estimated quote of \$3,644.70, for fire hydrant located near 706 State Rt 66. Motion carried.
- B. The Authority received a check from Jerich Insurance which reflects a return premium of \$65.00 from the 2025-2026 Worker's Compensation Audit.
- C. A salesman from Southern Corrosion Engineered Tank Care stopped by the Authority to drop a brochure off of their services on water tank care.
- D. The Authority received a newsletter from PMAA proposing amendments to the Association's bylaws.
- E. The Authority received an email from PA One Call of the new 2026 Rate Structure effective 7/1/2026.

Unfinished Business:

- A. New tap in rates for water and sewer are still being reviewed and discussed. Received information from LSSE for the Authority to review . Tabled to September's meeting.
- B. Cinpinski emailed James Smith, from Snyder's Oil & Gas, concerning the lease for the Authority, Cinpinski has not heard back from him yet.
- C. Lead Line Verification updates, CKH Excavating continue to perform Hydrovac work.
- D. 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.
- E. A motion was made by McIntire and seconded by Ben Cinpinski to approve the revised connection deferrel agreement to address infiltration deficiencies with ATI. Motion carried.
- F. The Authority received a quote from Ford Office Technologies for a new copier for the office. Mazak will follow-up with them concerning the annual price increases of 15% for the maintenance agreement.
- G. Swarmer is still working on a new AC Drive.

New Business:

- A. A motion was made by Ben Cinpinski and seconded by McIntire, pursuant to notification from KVVPCA dated 7/20/2026, regarding rate increase for treatment cost from \$5.50 to \$5.85 per month. The Board acknowledges & approves the corresponding 35 cents per 1,000 gallon rate increase to coincide with KVVPCA effective date & directs that notification of the same to be placed on next bill. Motion carried.
- B. Mazak will contact John Fontaine, the township's zoning officer, to see if the permit fee could be waived for the Authority if they choose to place a sign near the highway.

Solicitor's Report:

- A. There were (28) 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 (4) service line leaks or repairs during the month. Nathan Shinko (841 Schenley Rd, his)...A 2" Main (near 157 Deer Creek Dr, ours)...Debra Sprague (682 Schenley Rd, ours)...Curt Stull (495 State Rt 66, his)
- B. There was fire hydrant maintenance performed for the month, exercised valves and flushed hydrants.
- C. Sewage pump station on Sober Road has issues of the pump being off because the alternator box is bad. Chris Swank will contact Lanco to fix the problem.
- D. FTMSA will be contacted to install basket in sewage pump station for the constant build up of wipes.
- E. Chris Swank will contact Bier Excavating to regrade the road going to the Godfrey water tank because of deep crevices.
- F. Acknowledged we received a System Report.

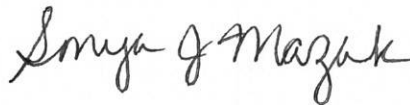
Monthly Billings:

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

Adjournment:

- A. The regular meeting was adjourned at 8:09 P.M. on a motion by Szarek & seconded by Vento. Motion carried.

Secretary/Treasurer



Sonya J. Mazak



Gilpin Township Municipal Authority

September 8, 2026

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 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

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identify, prevent, and respond to potential nitrification within the Authority's distribution system. The plan has been sent to the PADEP for review and feedback.

- LSA Statewide Grants: The LSA Statewide Grant program will open on September 1st this year. Any applications will need to be submitted by November 30th.
- GTE is looking into USDA Funding for opportunities

Items Requested by Authority Manager

- N/A

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