

BEAVER CREEK/GRAYLING TWP
Utility Authority
Minutes of Regular Board Meeting,
September 15, 2025

Call to Order: Meeting called to order by Chairman Keipert at 4:00 pm at the Beaver Creek Township Hall.

Roll Call:

Board Members Present: Lawe, Keipert, Hanson, Robson

Board Members Absent: Koutnik

Others in attendance: Alma, Johns, Lang, Stephan

Approval of Agenda: Motion by Hanson, second by Lawe, **CARRIED** to approve the agenda.
Yeas: All

Approval of Minutes: Motion by Hanson, second by Lawe, **CARRIED** to approve minutes of the regular meeting of August 18, 2025, as amended. Yeas: All

Meeting Business:

IAI Report:

Johns reviewed the IAI report regarding water usage and power fault event at well house #1.

Johns reported that the “blow down” water at Bakelite was tested and had high levels of phosphorous and high PH. All agree that we need more data and EGLE approval before we can start taking this wastewater, estimated to be between 7,000 & 10,000 gallons/day.

Johns stated that we may need to update our wastewater ordinance to comply with new EGLE standards.

Stephan will verify if Grayling Township can cover the SCADA programming costs associated with the tie-in of the municipal water expansion.

Treasurer’s Report:

Motion by Keipert, second by Hanson, **CARRIED** to approve an amendment to the August 18, 2025 Treasurer’s Report Accounts Payable for the difference of \$8,227.05. Roll call vote: All Yeas.

Motion by Keipert, second by Robson, **CARRIED** to approve the renewal of the O&M Sewer CD with Horizon Bank for \$100,000.00, with remaining balance to credited to Water Savings. Roll call vote: All Yeas.

Lawe reported that he contacted our insurance carrier to inquire if any of the costs associated with the recent repair of Well #3 may be covered under our "Equipment Breakdown" coverage, and that the insurance company is processing our request.

Discussed creating a policy for handling equipment breakdowns in the future, including contacting our insurance company to evaluate potential coverage. Robson volunteered to create a hard copy of all approved S.O.P.

Accounts Payable:

Motion by Hanson, second by Robson, **CARRIED** to approve the accounts payable in the amount of \$32,223.46 for August 2025. Roll call vote: All Yeas.

Lawe had to leave meeting early due to another commitment.

Motion by Keipert, second by Robson, **CARRIED** to approve the future payment of the invoice from Peerless Midwest for the repair of Well #3, in the amount of \$130,177.48, to be paid prior to next month's regular meeting. Roll call vote: All Yeas, 2 Absent (Lawe & Koutnik).

Report from Staff: Paul Alma reported that he and Adam Johns met with Tex and Christian from Arauco last week to explain how customer water and sewer rates are calculated and that they were satisfied with the explanation.

Correspondence: None.

Old Business: Discussed purchasing the Silversmith software for asset management.

New Business: Discussed CO2 sequestering proposal under lagoon property.

Miscellaneous: Motion by Robson, second by Hanson, **CARRIED** to approve the purchase of a hydrant backflow meter for \$3,800.00. Roll call vote: All Yeas, 2 Absent (Lawe & Koutnik).

Member Comments: None.

Public Comments: None.

Adjournment: 6:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Rob Lawe
Secretary

Doug Keipert
Chairperson