GREATER POTTSVILLE AREA SEWER AUTHORITY

REGULAR MEETING OF JUNE 25, 2025

The regular meeting of the Greater Pottsville Area Sewer Authority was held on the Third Floor City Hall, Sewer Authority Conference Room on Wednesday, June 25, 2025 at 5:00 P.M. The meeting was called to order by Charles M. Dries, Vice Chairman with the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

PRESENT

Charles M. Dries , 1st Vice Chairman

James T. Muldowney , 2nd Vice Chairman

Ronald C. Zimmerman , Treasurer

Henry J. Minnig , Assistant Treasurer

John G. Botto , Secretary

William Deangeles, Jr. , Assistant Secretary

Edward M. Brennan , Solicitor

John R. Poff, P.E. , Engineer, Light-Heigel & Associates

Christina M. Q. Herndon , Authority Secretary

William Orlowsky, P.E. , Acting Executive Director and Project

 Manager

Lynn Strausser , Pretreatment Coordinator

GUESTS

Brian Dries , President - Borough of Palo Alto

Vince Riotto , Vice President – Borough of Palo Alto

Jean Towle , Executive Director, Pottsville Library

Brenda Schuettler , GPASA Billing Supervisor

Ian Mahal , City Administer

Jerry Richter , Customer

PUBLIC COMMENT

 Jerry Richter owner of 305 5th Street, Port Carbon stated he has extreme damage to his basement due to the flooding from the recent rainstorm. He cannot take out a home equity loan because he is saving for my son’s College fund. He put a claim into his Insurance Company and got a third of his basement done and then the following Monday he had another flood event, and the same thing happened, and he does not have the money to do this over again and again, so he is asking the Board what the resolution can be, because as of now he stated his basement is full of mold and sewage.

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 Solicitor, Edward M. Brennan asked the Acting Executive Director what the issue was with Mr. Richter’s property.

 William T. Orlowsky, Acting Executive Director, replied there was a backup in the main downstream from Mr. Richter’s home which caused sewage to go into his house. Street Crew Supervisor, Jim Thomas, could not find what caused this in the main, he felt there was nothing in the line that caused this backup. And it happened again about three weeks later. Jim Thomas went out again and looked at main and put a camera down he saw something, but the first time he looked it was partially full of water.

 Jim Thomas then spoke with me and suggested we should dig and replace the pipe, and it may be a tree root or something else causing this obstruction. So, that is what we are currently doing. Unfortunately, now Mr. Richter has (2) two incidents to be cleaned up and we understand his frustration completely.

 Now fixing this pipe will definitely help and the second thing we can do is put a back flow preventer on, this is a flat gate that prevents the water from flowing

back into the home.

 Solicitor, Edward M. Brennan stated that this is our line causing the sewage to back up into Mr. Richter’s home.

 Mr. Orlowsky replied it was a partial obstruction and what happens during these flash flood events.

 Mr. Richter stated that Mr. Orlowsky is wrong and what he said was incorrect. He stated when this first happened, I spoke to Charlie Dries and the street crew and they came over to my home and they said it was the lateral, but it was not so we checked the two manholes, and they were filled with debris and all that water was coming into my home and the lateral is behind the manholes.

 Acting Executive Director, William T. Orlowsky asked if that was the day, we had the flash flooding.

 Mr. Richter stated his home has been through the flood of 2018 and he never had any problems like this before.

Mr. Orlowsky responded that day the rain was pouring into the windows of this room because the wind was pushing the rain sideways in the windows and that was the same day, you had your issues and there were issues at the Pottsville Library, and other downtown businesses.

Mr. Richter stated his home was brand new construction from 2012 and when they came to my home you could see the toilet paper, lady products all the way up my basement steps and I took pictures of the damage, and three weeks

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later, it happened again, the debris on my steps were different so that tells me the debris came right back again the same way, and it was just a steady rain. And you cannot tell me there is not

any issue with this line. In twelve years of floods my backyard looked like Locust Lake, and I have this problem. Now I’m told to use a backflow preventer, and it will never happen in a million years and then I was told, I have a one- time offer to put a backflow preventer in my home. I have the street crew on video kicking the debris down the pipe and I contacted Jim Thomas and he has been very good with me, I askws to him about a camera and that there is an issue going on because I pulled the manhole cover off and you could see the air gargling in there and water comes up and I know the water should not be coming up to the top of the manhole. On Father’s Day Jim Thomas came to his house and checked the manhole and the water would come up a foot and down.

 Mr. Orlowsky asked Mr. Richter where the water came up and did it rise up

above the pipe or above the chimney on the manhole.

 Mr. Richter replied the water came up about three feet and the rain was stopping.

 Solicitor, Edward M. Brennan, stated that legally we are at fault and this must get fixed as soon as possible and also, we should advise our insurance carrier.

 Mr. Orlowsky replied we did contact our insurance carrier, and they stated they will speak with their adjusters.

 Charles M. Dries stated he spoke with Jim Thomas, and he was coming over today to begin fixing the pipe.

 Mr. Richter told Jim Thomas he thought the issue was between the tree and the shed and that is where the problem was located. They put the camera in one way and found something and then the other way and found something. They tried to move it and nothing moved. Two manholes filled all the way to the top and it is not going down so there must be something in there causing this blockage.

 Mr. Orlowsky agreed with Mr. Richter, and we are going to replace that part of the pipe that is causing the blockage.

 Solicitor, Edward M. Brennan stated, Mr. Richter has raw sewage in his basement and I recommend to the Board you contact Berks Fire and Water Restoration number one, and number two, if the Engineers have to get involved, we find out what the problem is and fix it so it does not happen again. Two steps here number one, we must clean the property and two, we must fix the problem.

 Mr. Richter stated Jim Thomas will be at his property tomorrow morning to begin the work.

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 John R. Poff, P.E. asked Mr. Richter where does his lateral come into the basement, two or three feet off the floor or below the basement and are floor drains tied into the sewer lateral.

 Mr. Richter replied the lateral is above the basement and the lateral comes in at his foundation below the floor.

 Mr. Poff asked Mr. Richter if he has floor drains hooked to this line and if you do you must close those drains.

 The water and sewage were coming up through my toilet in my basement. My home is meticulous and everything is in its place.

 Solicitor, Edward M. Brennan stated to the Board based on what we know it’s our fault, the issue must get fixed.

 Mr. Poff asked how high is the house versus the main that he basically has basement service or does he not have a lot of fall on the lateral. If the bottom of the house if up here and the main is down here and it was backing up, you have a major problem with the main.

 Ronald C. Zimmerman, stated he was at Mr. Richter’s home and his floor drains have caps to screw on the drains. Mr. Richter showed him pictures of the manholes when the covers where off. There was toilet paper all the way up on the first rung you step on the go into the manhole.

 Charles M. Dries stated he has known Jerry Richter for many years and he is a truthful man and Jim Thomas told him they will know more tomorrow when they dig.

 Mr. Richter stated there was so much force his toilet and shower and I keep all the toilet seats down, and when he came into his home there was such a horrible smell and he thought he was at the sewer plant, and when he went down to his basement the toilet seat was up and what he thought were leaves on the seat where something else.

 Solicitor, Edward M. Brennan recommended the Board have Mr. Orlowsky contact Berks Fire and Water to clean up the house.

 On motion of Henry J. Minnig, seconded by James T. Muldowney, the Board unanimously approve to hire Berks Fire and Water to clean Mr. Richter’s home.

 Solicitor, Edward M. Brennan stated to Mr. Orlowsky he should contact our carrier and tell them what we are doing and we expect to be reimbursed because we cannot wait till they send their adjuster to the property. The second thing is we should authorize the Engineer to assist Mr. Orlowsky and the street crew to find out what exactly is going on with this property.

 James T. Muldowney stated this is kind of an emergency due to the sewage in his home.

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 Mr. Orlowsky stated he will be at the property tomorrow and will look over the issues.

 Mr. Richter said the other thing is he is a die-hard hunter and my downstairs looks like Cabela’s, he has moose, deer, and every animal you could think of and I have a full bear mount

and that is near my toilet and you could see the toilet paper and water on the bear mount. He spoke with Mr. Orlowsky and he said Mountain View would clean his property and they will have to take everything from two (2) foot and below should be cut and replaced.

 Mr. Muldowney stated they will cut and drill holes to clean the property.

 Mr. Richter stated his two by fours are spray foamed in my basement and I went over kill with this stuff. And I got cobblestone tiles and they told him to take them out and clean underneath, I cannot afford to pay for this stuff, and now I have all this white foamy stuff in my basement and it is like fungi.

 Solicitor, Edward M. Brennan stated we will call tomorrow on any emergency basis and as far as the personal items, they will have to give you some direction how the taxidermy can be cleaned up and saved and you will have a claim against our insurance carriers for the personal items. The first thing is to get the property cleaned and the smell out of the home. We have to tell our carrier there was a blockage in the main and it backed up into his home and it is not just fixing the basement the way it was and replacing any personal property.

 Mr. Richter stated he was talking to our insurance carrier and they stated that the claim was denied.

 Solicitor, Edward M. Brennan stated this is our fault and we must take care of the problem, and we can fight with our carrier afterwards.

 Mr. Richter stated he would like to thank the Board so much because this last month has destroyed us and the hardest thing was, I gave up my vacation to help and when you are on this end it is gut wrenching, it’s the personal things we lost.

The minutes of the Regular Meeting held on May 28, 2025, were presented for approval.

 On motion of Ronald C. Zimmerman, and seconded by James T. Muldowney, the Board unanimously approved the May 28, 2025 meeting minutes.

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

 Henry J. Minnig requested an Executive Session to discuss the applicants for Executive Director position. William T. Orlowsky, P.E., Robert Kerns, and Kevin Kowalsky.

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REQUISITION NO. 706

Payee - Greater Pottsville Area Sewer Authority

Mid Penn Bank A/C #56-185-1

Amount - $ 549,770.75

Date - June 25, 2025

On motion of James T. Muldowney and seconded by Ronald C. Zimmerman, the Board unanimously approved Requisition No. 706 for June, 2025.

ACTING EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR’S REPORT

 Acting Executive Director’s report for June 25, 2025 presented by William T. Orlowsky, P.E.:

 1. Presented for the Board’s approval to purchase a side by side from the Yorkville Hose Fire Company that will be used for the Main Plant in the amount of $4,200.00

 On motion of James T. Muldowney, and seconded by Henry J. Minnig, the Board unanimously approved the purchase of a side by side from the Yorkville

Hose Company.

 2. Presented for the Board’s approval to change our email addresses to a domain name and have uniform and secure email addresses.

 Henry J. Minnig asked why the Board member must have a domain name at the cost of $220.00 for each Board Member.

 Mr. Orlowsky replied it will stream line the communication and protection. I am trying to create a global calendar that Managers can check on their staff for vacations or days off, it is the same calendar that is in your email and every one will be linked up to the same calendar and

we can communicate much better.

 Solicitor, Edward M. Brennan stated there is another reason you may want to do this

because if you use a personal email for things at the Sewer Authority and there is a Right to Know request you will have to produce your personal email, it will be better to have a domain name email.

 Discussion followed.

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 Lynn Strausser, Pretreatment Coordinator explained the email will be your first name dot then your last name at @ gpasa dot org and all the plant and street crew will have one also and we will have better communication. CopyCat Systems will come in one day and show all the Board Members how to use and access their domain emails.

 Ian Mahal, City Administrator, stated the City and the Sewer Authority should have the same provider as a side note.

 On motion of James T. Muldowney, and seconded by Ronald C. Zimmerman, the Board unanimously approved to change emails to a domain name.

 3. Presented for the Board’s information Lynn Strausser, Pretreatment Coordinator and Chris Herndon, Executive Secretary met with Tony Gallager from Key Energy Consulting to discuss the PPL accounts. Key Energy Consulting is giving us a better rate which could save maybe upwards of $25,000.00 a year.

 Lynn Strausser explained to the Board all the details of the meeting with Mr. Gallager from Key Energy Consulting.

 Discussion followed.

 Solicitor, Edward M. Brennan, stated he will research and go over the fine print.

 James T. Muldowney stated he knows someone from Pittsburg that is in this business and he has set him up with Guers Dairy and other businesses and he would like for him to research this because he is a friend and will not steer him wrong way.

 Ronald C. Zimmerman stated he worked in the Controller Office for the County and we had Direct Energy and they were horrible to deal with and we tried to get out of the contact and

we had to get the Solicitor involved. Direct Energy had a fixed rate but would add a special fee.

 Discussion followed.

 Jean Towle, Executive Director of the Pottsville Free Public Library stated the Board should be leery about the four (4) years because we negotiate every year for our energy supplier

based on different rates and if you are tied in for four (4) years you can get skunked on that rate.

 Discussion followed.

 4. Presented for the Board’s update on the purchasing of a truck from Costars for the street crew, Lynn Strausser, Pretreatment Coordinator has been working with Costar and the good news is we will be able to order the truck now, if we approve a motion tonight.

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 Lynn Strausser stated at the last meeting Chairman, Dr. Barry Dewitt seemed concerned we were looking at a Ford and we always purchased GMC trucks since all our current truck are GMC’s.

 Lynn contacted Barry Messerschmidt and we cannot get a GMC anytime soon, maybe in October we may get a quote, but right now I have a quote for a Ford truck and can have it ordered in two (2) weeks, Jim Thomas is perfectly fine with a Ford truck because we have the specs and the price and we can get the truck by January or February. The GMC truck would only be ordered in mid-October and that would be delivered May or June of next year. We are dealing with Miracle Ford, Barry Messerschmidt.

 Discussion followed.

 John G. Botto, stated he was at Sands Ford selling our advertisement poster and he would like the Authority to buy a truck from Sands Ford. He knows the owner well and he also did work at Sands Ford. We can get a 2026 Ford truck now but not sure when we could get the truck. Sands Ford is Costar and we can get a truck from Tamaqua or at Sands Ford.

 Discussion followed.

 Lynn Strausser replied she and Jim Thomas did go to Sands Ford first and they have all of our information and they have not gotten in touch with me at all.

 John G. Botto stated Sands Ford would buy a sign if we would buy a truck there and we would have a $2,500.00 sign coming to the Authority.

 Discussion followed.

 5. Presented for the Board’s information Tim Shultz has been looking into our diversion manholes and we are having some operational difficulties and I would like Tim Schultz to share what he has found.

 Tim Schultz, plant operator, stated Bill has chosen 6 diversion chambers close to Progress Avenue. And when I started working in eight (8) years ago out of 22 diversion chambers 16 of them

communicated back to the Main Plant now we are at about 4 chambers. It has been an undertaking to get them to communicate back to the plant, main issue being when they were installed, they used telephone lines and copper can be used now but it would be very expensive.

 I started to investigate some of the chambers and I found missing PLC’s which are program logic control simply that is the brains and tells everything in it what to do, and they are gone not sure what happened, each one of these chambers there are CSO’s Combined Sewer Outfalls, when our sewer line gets surcharges our Engineers and DEP came to a decision on how much flow we need to by permit to take at our Main Plant, and once it hits that limit that was

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preset by DEP which is enforceable by our permit the rotork valve that will then throttle and anything above that flow say its 800 gallons a minute and if it is 1000 gallons it will go to the creek. So, in each one of the chambers, you have a rotork valve and a mag meter which do not work when they are full of water. Chrone is the only flow meters out there that creates a sensor that works in partial full pipes and the problem is this comes with a price tag. We have replaced them in the past but for one Chrone meter it is $45,000.00 and we have 22 chambers but we know as of now 2 chambers are bad but as we are investigating it is going to get costly. Chrone has at least six (6) to eight (8) week lead time on almost everything and with that I am only one person and to get to all the chambers I can’t really get a list of what we need but we can expedite the ones that are most crucial on Progress Avenue.

 The chamber in Palo Alto near the playground that is one of our largest and the tork valve is completely shot and full of water, and Chrone does not fix the flow meters, but now getting the communication back by updating the internet, I have spoken to TriJay designed some of the app

place diversion chamber and I spoke to Seamans who do the same thing to get a second opinion.

There are two (2) main options we can get one (1) is we can get a dedicate internet system at each location and that will be extremely expensive. Two (2) will be a cell modem that will communicate to a piece of equipment at the Main Plant that is going to be the only one that creates its own tunnel to communicate safely and have no issues. The key is to get the communication reestablished so then I can maintain things. As of right now I do not know what is going on at these 22 chambers between our system.

 Mr. Orlowsky stated about a week ago, he was at Jack Botto’s house explaining that some of these mechanical components within the diversion chambers are not operating properly and it could have a negative effect on our system. Not only are they not operating correctly, it is because the communications are not working so we are unaware if there is a problem, and we are assuming things are going well but they are not at all. This came to light when I was at the Plant a month ago during a storm and I looked at the skatis screen and everything is flashing red. James said those are things that are not working properly. I said we need to get them fix immediately. So, this is why Tim Schultz explained the issues because he knows the issues.

 Mr. Orlowsky stated we had an issue at the West End Pump Station and thankfully nothing serious happened. I called DEP out of caution to let them know we may have had a leak but there was nothing inappropriate that happened during that event other than we lost power and the generators did not come on which means the pumps did not run and things did not operate the way they should have for a few hours. If we could keep on top of our system, we would minimize flooding as Mr. Richter experienced.

 Mr. Botto asked Mr. Orlowsky if the valves and communication were not maintained over the last few years and did they exceed their life span.

 Tim Schultz replied some of them have met their life span because they do not make the kind of equipment needed to repair these chambers. These chambers were neglected for a long time. The lack of communication is the main cause it is hard to maintain when you do not know

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what is happening. The main upgrade will be updating our communication system. The rotork valve and flow meter are at age. The answer of the question Jack was a mixture of both.

 Discussion followed.

 Mr. Botto stated using your example 800 gallons a minute and when it hit 1000

gallons a minute the other 200 gallons are going to the creek.

 Tim Schultz explained the plus for it is when it comes to what we are bypassing,

when I have addressed each one the ones that were broken, and they were stuck in the local

position at 100%, meaning we are taking as much as that pipe can take. The only negative impact there would be we are taking too much water and will have negative impact.

 The sanitary line only allows the minimum amount allowed by DEP and after that point it backs up into the creek.

 If a roturk valve breaks we would have to lock it 100 % manually or physically taking the valve off.

 Mr. Botto asked Tim Schultz how long have these Chambers been broken.

 Mr. Orlowsky answered it has happened over time.

 Solicitor, Edward M. Brennan asked if this would affect the flooding downtown.

 Mr. Orlowsky answered if they are closed yes. There is only one (1) valve, so there is a line at the plant and a line going to the creek and there is a valve on the line going to the plant

and when you close that, it only allows a portion of the flow. The water builds up and goes out

of the manhole. If the valve is partially closed then it will always send flow out to the creek.

When Tim Schultz becomes aware of that problem, he just leaves the valve wide open so the flow goes to the plant.

 Mr. Orlowsky stated it is really disturbing to be at the plant and see the skatis screen flashing red and you are unaware of what is happening.

 Discussion followed.

 Mr. Orlowsky stated he spoke to Scott Russel at Buchart - Horn and he asked him to discuss the diversion chambers in detail. The meeting with Mr. Russel is July 1, 2025 and

John R. Poff, P.E. will attend this meeting.

 Mr. Orlowsky requested the purchase of a mag meter for $45,000.00 to make sure the diversion chamber is working properly.

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 Solicitor, Edward M. Brennan stated this request must be on the agenda, and it

can be amended next month

 On motion of Ronald C. Zimmerman, seconded by James T. Muldowney, the Board unanimously approved to amend the agenda for June, 2025.

 On motion of John G. Botto, and seconded by James T. Muldowney, the Board unanimously approve the purchase of a mag meter for $45,000.00.

On motion of John G. Botto, and seconded by James T. Muldowney, the Board unanimously approved the Acting Executive Director’s Report for June 2025.

SOLICITOR’S REPORT

Solicitor’s Report for June 2025 Board Meeting:

 1. Solicitor, Edward M. Brennan presented to the Board that on June 11th, 2025 he met with the City Administrator, Ian Mahal, Mike Hummel, P.E., City Engineer, and William T. Orlowsky, P.E., Acting Executive Director and Thomas Schreffler, P.E. Light-Heigel & Associates to discuss the storm water project. The meeting went very well. The agreement was sometime in July or August, Mr. Orlowsky is working with the Engineers to present at a special meeting with City Council, Redevlopment Committee and the Authority Board Members to see what action plan we have to do with the downtown flooding. The immediate problems with 2nd and 3rd Street to the real big problem on Progress Avenue and Norwegian Creek. It will be a joint effort to address and come up with a plan. John R. Poff, P.E. will discuss this in his report.

 Solicitor Brennan state one we have a long- term solution for Norwegian Creek and Progress Avenue we can apply for funding. We will ask for a joint effort of the Authority, City of Pottsville and the Redevelopment Committee should apply together because when you apply for grants, they grade you and give you points so if it is a multi -jurisdictional project and also there is an issue in Port Carbon we can also include in the funding because that would be another municipality involved when you are applying for the grant.

2. Solicitor, Edward M. Brennan has personnel issues and potential litigation item for Executive Session.

On motion of Henry J. Minnig and seconded by John G. Botto the Board unanimously approved the Solicitor’s Report for June 2025.

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CONSULTING ENGINEER’S REPORT

Mr. John R. Poff, P. E. presented his report in written form. Refer to the attached report from Light-Heigel & Associates, Inc. for June, 2025.

1. Mr. John R. Poff, P.E. presented for the Board’s information about the Market Street Sewer Separation Project & the Corrective Action Plan/Act 537, we had a joint meeting and it was very productive as Solicitor Brennan said, and we feel very positive about the direction the Authority and City are heading with this project.

This project started at the end of 2018. Mr. Lipton wanted to resolve the flooding downtown and wanted to start this separation project. Light Heigel & Associates made a proposal and asked to furnish an RFP (request for proposal) for the separation project. The initial proposal was basically to separate the

Market Street drainage basin, Arch Street, Market Street and Norwegian Street which was called Phase 1. Phase 2 would take care of the rest of Norwegian Street and part of Market Street. Phase 3 would take care of the Pottsville Area High School and that area.

Discussion followed.

Mr. Orlowsky added Mr. Poff and he will meet with Scott Navatnick, from DEP to discuss the changes to the Act 537 Plan rather than sending a letter.

Mr. Poff stated the design is 75% to 80% for the downtown area. The PennDOT permit for Market Street is the only thing not completed which will take time.

Once we get the Act 537 Plan completed and filed, we will apply for the PennDOT permit.

Discussion followed.

2. Mr. John R. Poff, P.E. presented for the Board’s information on the Port Carbon manhole investigation. I spoke with Jim Tohill, P.E., at Benesch he said the contractor has not started on replacing the Port Carbon Borough stream retaining wall near one of our manholes and we are going to ask the contractor for a price to extend their coffer dam which needs repair work we will have some cost estimates at the July meeting.

 3. Mr. John R. Poff, P.E. presented for the Board’s information on the Pretreatment Ordinance penalty costs, Thomas W. Schreffler, P.E is away on vacation when he returns we will work on the Pretreatment Ordinance.

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 4. Mr. John R. Poff, P.E. presented for the Board’s information on the Arch Street Collapse field survey works are done we have a base map and design. We originally were going to put the pipe in where the Arch is located, but it impacts the stairs and ADA accessibility to the ENT Office. So, the alternative would be to between the two buildings slide the arch but we also have to move a gravity sewer line in that process. But we need to get Mobile Dredging in to televise that line to confirm storm water laterals and to televise the line to the manhole out on Market Street and Progress Avenue. Mobile Dredging price to perform this is $6800.00.

 Discussion followed.

 5. Mr. John R. Poff, P.E. presented for the Board’s information on the Norwegian Creek Culvert we now know the exact dimensions of the entrance and exit of the Culvert. We can have a 3D scan performed which would be threes person confined space certified personnel carry a backpack scanner and walk from one end of the Culvert to the end of the Culvert and can be completed in one day. The estimated cost would be $6,400.00 and the maximum cost would be $8,400.00, it would include the field work, extent of the field work inside, pipe penetrations, manholes, inlets, elevation data, cross sections at every five hundred feet and deliver it to the Authority a cad file, PDF file, and a recap point cloud file, and also a provide a profile so the City and the Authority would have this information for a future flood study.

 Solicitor, Edward M. Brennan requested the Board to make a motion to approve the 3D scan of the Norwegian Creek Culvert.

 On motion of James T. Muldowney, and seconded by John G. Botto, the Board unanimously approved the 3D scan of the Norwegian Culvert.

 On motion of John G. Botto, and seconded by James T. Muldowney, Board unanimously approved the Engineer’s Report June 2025.

NEW BUSINESS

 Ronald C. Zimmerman stated that the Borough of Mechanicsville sent him a letter and they want their sewer bill due date changed.

 Discussion followed.

 Brenda Schuettler, Billing Supervisor stated that Mechanicsville Borough can be changed to residential billing.

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 Mr. Zimmerman also stated Christina Kubick lives on 516 6th Street, East Norwegian Township and that her mother was paying a sewer bill for years and not connected to the sewer, and they want reimbursement because they were paying for a service that was never provided.

 Discussion followed.

 Solicitor, Edward M. Brennan stated there has to be a mandatory sewer connection ordinance for East Norwegian Township and you have to connect.

 Mr. Orlowsky stated he has spoken to Mrs. Kubick and understands the situation but they are now connected. Mr. Kubick has another home on the property that must also be connected.

There is a stream behind these properties in which the sewage from these homes has been going in this stream, so this other home must be connected as soon as possible.

 Discussion followed.

 Ian Mahall, City Administrator, stated that your employees, Bill has been fantastic, John Poff and Keith Heigel have also been excellent. They have full access to my office which contain all the older maps of the City and it is always a pleasure to come over here.

OLD BUSINES

 None.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

 The Executive Session to discuss personnel matters began at 6:00 PM and reconvened at 8:04 PM.

 Solicitor, Edward M. Brennan requested a motion to hire Norman Lettich, CPA to perform a Forensic Audit for the Authority.

 On motion of James T. Muldowney, seconded by John G. Botto, the Board approved to hire Norman Lettich, CPA to perform a Forensic Audit.

 Solicitor, Edward M. Brennan also requested a motion for William T. Orlowsky, P.E., Acting Executive Director, to contact a temp agency for a short term clerical assistance for the office.

 On motion of James T. Muldowney, seconded by John G. Botto, the Board approved to Mr. Orlowsky to contact a temp agency.

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PUBLIC COMMENT

 None.

ADJOURNMENT

 The meeting adjourned at 8:05 p.m. on the motion of James T. Muldowney, seconded by John G. Botto.

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 JOHN G. BOTTO, SECRETARY