

NESHANNOCK CREEK WATERSHED JOINT MUNICIPAL AUTHORITY
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MEETING MINUTES
June 9, 2010

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Brian Bader
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Paul Minner
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Allen Minshull
Findley Twp:
Elliott G. Lengel
Mercer Boro:
Jerry Johnson

The Authority meets the first month of each quarter on the second Wednesday of the month at 8:15 AM at the County Commissioner's Conference Room at the Mercer County Courthouse, Mercer, PA.

THE NEXT MEETING IS SCHEDULED FOR WEDNESDAY, JULY 14, 2010 AT 8:15 AM

ATTENDANCE

Joe Kurtanich, Jerry Johnson, Brian Bader, Patrick Suhrie, Paul Minner, Allen Minshull, Karen Shipton, Dan Goncz.

*The Meeting Opened at 8:15 AM with the Affirming of the Pledge to the U.S. Flag.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES/JANUARY 13, 2010 MEETING

A motion was made by Allen Minshull and seconded by Brian Bader to approve the minutes from the January 13, 2010 meeting. Motion carried.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Jerry reported that as of 5/31/10, our balance is \$13,326.37. No money is currently invested. A motion was made by Allen Minshull and seconded by Jerry Johnson to put \$6000.00 into a CD at the best interest Jerry can find. Motion carried. There was discussion on whether to begin looking for an auditing firm to audit our account around the first of the new year.

NEW BUSINESS

Joe Kurtanich (Mercer's Engineer) was here to bring us up to date on Mercer's status with the sewage plant. DEP sent a consent order to Mercer with various dates about having a 537 submitted in September and having things operational by December, 2012. Joe stated that they have had a few meetings with DEP regarding East Lackawannock and

Findley Townships. Once the 537 is ready, they can start connecting to the system. Coolspring is a little different situation. They come under the allocation of edu's. Initially, DEP was going to give us 20 edu's to carry us through 2012 but they managed to get it bumped up to 40. Last night at the Mercer Borough Council Meeting, the council approved the consent order and it will be signed and submitted to DEP this week. If Coolspring had someone come and wish to connect next week, Joe's recommendation would be to go ahead and connect them and notify DEP that we are charging that against our 40 edu's. Also, the borough has selected bond council (Pittsburgh firm) and PNC bank for providing the bonds and borrowing. If East Lack. has someone wishing to connect, as long as the 537 is submitted, it can be done. The inter-municipal agreements currently in place between East Lack. and Mercer and Findley and Mercer need to be voided and a new agreement between Neshannock Creek Watershed Joint Municipal Authority and Mercer Borough needs to be drafted. Now that the consent order has been drawn up, Mercer's solicitor can draw up this agreement, the Authority's solicitor (Roger Shaffer) can review and we can move forward. The agreement has to go in the 537 Plan and with the advertising requirements, it will probably be the first of the year before things are moving. We should start looking for funding while we are waiting for this. Project could be eligible for CDBG money. Dan suggested that we should at least have a draft ready between the Authority and Mercer Borough by the August meeting (even if it has not yet been approved by the municipalities). Dan will give Roger a head's up that the draft will be coming.

OLD BUSINESS

Dan stated that we need to send a letter to Elliott Lengel asking for his resignation from the Authority. Patrick Suhrie was appointed by the Findley Township Board of Supervisors to be their representative for the remainder of his term. The Authority needs a letter from Findley Township stating this.

ROUNDTABLE

Brian Bader reported that a new owner (Lindey Paving) has purchased the lease on the gravel plant (formerly Atlantic States). They would like to continue running it as a gravel plant. They claim there is still gravel to be extracted along Interstate 80.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Brian Bader and seconded by Jerry Johnson to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:59 AM.

Respectfully Submitted;

Karen B. Shipton
Recording Secretary