

NESHANNOCK CREEK WATERSHED JOINT MUNICIPAL AUTHORITY

Meeting Minutes

March 12, 2024

8:00 AM

ATTENDANCE

Dale Bestwick, Pat Suhrie, Robert Gregory, Clifford Hughes, Dave Swartz, William Finley, Jr., Jim Riddle, Dan Goncz, Karen Shipton.

The Meeting Opened with the Pledge to the U.S. Flag at 8:00 AM

*Karen Shipton stated that the meeting was being recorded.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

**A motion was made by Robert Gregory and seconded by Dale Bestwick to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried unanimously.*

APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM THE 2/13/2024 MEETING AS PRESENTED

**A motion was made by Clifford Hughes and seconded by Robert Gregory to approve the minutes from the 2/13/2024 meeting as presented. Motion carried unanimously.*

PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Karen Shipton reported the following:

General Account: Last Statement (1/31/24) Balance: \$187,378.94. (6) Deposits of \$37,053.87 and (15) Disbursements of \$32,420.10. Balance as of 2/29/2024: \$192,012.71.

Asset Reserve Restricted Account: Last Statement (2/01/24) Balance: \$86,754.65. One Transfer: \$1636.88. Balance as of 2/29/24: \$88,391.53.

Short Lived Asset Reserve Account: Last Statement (2/01/24) Balance: \$189,859.26. One Transfer: \$3582.25. Balance as of 2/29/24: \$193,441.51.

	Feb 24
Ace fix-it Hardware	168.48
Davidson, M. & Associates, Inc.	7,097.00
FNB Commercial Credit Card	298.50
Gannett Fleming, Inc.	2,150.00
Ground Tech Inc.	1,818.75
Moon, Charlotte Estate of	79.20
PA Dept. of Transportation	3,375.00
Penn Power /57/Acct. 577	154.33
Penn Power/835A/Acct. 502	94.92
Penn Power/845/Acct. 628	2,398.35
Pennwest Specialized Contracting, Inc.	833.93
Plantation Park Camper's Assoc.	148.00
Selective Insurance	13,111.00
Tri-County Industries, Inc./57	54.97
Tri-County Industries, Inc./845 Perry Hwy	887.33
TOTAL	32,669.76
TRANSFER TO ASSET RESERVE RESTRICTED ACCOUNT:	1,636.88
TRANSFER TO SHORT LIVED ASSET RES. RESTRICTED ACCOUNT:	3,582.25
TOTAL TRANSFERS:	\$5,219.13
TOTAL INVOICES AND TRANSFERS:	\$37,888.87

All accounts/statements balance and were reconciled. Karen stated she had copies of all bank statements and invoices should anyone like to review them. Also, the auditors are coming in next week so we will have an update on that when it is completed.

**A motion was made by Dave Swartz and seconded by Dale Bestwick to approve the treasurer's report and the payment of bills for February 2024 as presented. Motion carried unanimously.*

ENGINEER'S REPORT

Plantation Park – Their edu's have dropped, through February their average was 58.

PSP Barracks – Dan still has not heard from them about the schedule for the sewer line for the construction cost estimates so they can prepare the developers agreement. The gas line has been installed. The gas company has been known to use all of the space in the right of way so Dan is going to monitor this.

NPDES Permit Renewal – This was submitted to PA DEP on 2/26/2024. This is a (5) year permit

OPERATORS REPORT

The plant performed within the required parameters in January/2024.

Sludge was removed in January.

There was one grinder pump that was repaired.

OLD BUSINESS

None.

NEW BUSINESS

Sewer Extension – Dan is looking into the cost of a sewer extension to the Iron Bridge Inn and to compare that to what it would be to replace their sewer treatment plant. He will be working on this over the next several months. Dan said PA DEP is giving them an ultimatum either fix the system with a major overhaul at their plant or connect to public sewer lines. Their permit goes until 2027. Dave Swartz brought up a question of would they pick up other homes/businesses along the way or just the Iron Bridge? Dan stated that if the Iron Bridge extends their line to ours, and we have taken ownership, anyone within 150' of the sewer line would be a mandatory connection. PA DEP will not allow it to be private. Dave is going to contact Springfield Township and see what their thoughts are regarding this. Dan will speak to John (Owner of Iron Bridge) and also see what his thoughts are.

Countryside Nursing Home – The nursing home does not want to take over ownership of the grinder pumps. We can't force this. There was talk of sending them a letter but nothing confirmed at this point.

ADJOURNMENT

**A motion was made by Clifford Hughes and seconded by William Finley, Jr. to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 8:22 AM.*

Respectfully Submitted;

Karen B. Shipton
Administrator