

Newmanstown Water Authority

March 30, 2026

The regular monthly meeting was held on Monday, March 30, 2026 at 7:00 pm at the Newmanstown Water Authority's office. The meeting was opened with the pledge of allegiance to the flag of the United States of America.

In attendance were:

Steve Hickernell

William Leahy

Fred Ebert

Susan Harper

Scott Sweigart

Tim Engler

Robin Bomgardner

William Zimmerman

John Kantner - Absent

Visitor - Josh Martin from CMJM LLC

Josh was asking about water connection for the Bethany Road Sub Division. After discussion, it was determined the Board will make a decision concerning the water connection for this project and advise Josh in 30 days. A motion was made by Bill Zimmerman to prepare new standard specifications for adoption on new construction. Seconded by Robin. 6 ayes, so approved. It was also decided to prepare a resolution for updating the Rules and Regulations of the Authority.

A motion to approve the February 2026 meeting minutes was made by Scott and seconded by Bill Leahy. All aye, so approved.

Secretary's Report

Susan thanked the Board for their help in John's absence. 1st quarter water bills were printed and will be mailed this week. There were four home sales in March in the township. The grant we received has an expiration date in 2029 and this is a firm date, it is also possible to get an extension if needed. The 2025-2026 Audit was taken to Garcia, Garman and Shea on 03/26/26. Meters were read over the last two weeks and one property at 228 S Sheridan Road had an exceptionally high read. The meter for this property will be replaced and the current bill will be an estimate.

Operator's Report

Steve reported the gallons of water consumed in the month of February was 3,668,974 gallons. The average chlorine residual was 1.25% and coliform was absent. The readings were taken on 02/04/26. There was a leak at 255 S Sheridan Road on 03/01/26 and the water meter pit was replaced. It was discussed to have the language updated concerning meter pit ownership. Steve also reported that Drue from Neal Systems was here for the annual chlorine inspection, Hackman was here to inspect the fire extinguishers and chlorine was delivered by Univar. Details are below under OLD business.

Engineer's Report

Discussion was held concerning a proposed project for sewer and water connection at S Sheridan Road and Beech Alley in Newmanstown. A will serve letter is requested by Carta Engineering. Fred stated an application should be completed for details on this project, and he will send a copy of an application to Susan to send to them for completion.

Solicitor's Report

Tim will check if the property at 340 W Main Street in Newmanstown was sold at the Sheriff's Sale on 02/10/26. Also informed us on By-Law information on Board members.

Chairman's Report

Steve reported for John. Discussion on the land for sale by the fire company, located on Sportsman Road in Newmanstown. Discussed in detail the leak at 255 S Sheridan Road, had to replace an old meter pit.

Old Business

- a. Univar – chlorine delivered 03/11/26
- b. Hackman Fire Equipment – inspection of fire extinguishers – 02/25/26
- c. Neal Systems – inspection and yearly maintenance of scales and chlorine detectors – completed 03/23 and 03/25/26.

New Business

- a. Board members to check their schedules for hydrant flushing in May
- b. Spotts, Stevens & McCoy – Discussion was held on the request to obtain our files. A file transition agreement was received from SSM with the price for their services. Fred will be check into this further.
- c. NWA Project list for 2026
 1. Continue to locate all water service laterals into homes and mark/repair as needed.
 2. Trigon Project – Sub divide into two parcels and building a warehouse.
 3. CMJM LLC, Bethany Road Subdivision Project – Drawings reviewed
 4. 80 E Bethany Road – Meter pit installed and inspected, and pictures were taken on 02/19/26.
 5. 117 E Main Street – Apartment Project – Received blueprint documents
 6. Any other item will be added to the list, if recommended by another board member and approved.

The bills for March were presented for approval. A motion was made to approve the bills as read by Scott and seconded by Robin. All aye, so approved.

The treasurer's report for the month of February 2026 was read. Bill Zimmerman made a motion to accept the treasurer's report as read and seconded by Bill Leahy. All aye, so approved.

Susan made a motion to adjourn and Bill Leahy seconded it. All aye, so approved. Meeting adjourned at 8:50 p.m.

The next meeting will be Monday, April 27, 2026 at 7 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Susan Harper, Secretary/Treasurer