

Newmanstown Water Authority

May 19, 2025

The regular monthly meeting was held on Monday, May 19, 2025 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:

John Kantner

Steve Hickernell

William Leahy

Susan Harper

Scott Sweigart

Robin Bomgardner

William Zimmerman

No visitors were present.

A motion to approve the April 2025 meeting minutes was made by Steve and seconded by Bill Zimmerman. All aye, so approved.

Secretary's Report

Letters from the Township to support grants submitted were received and emailed to Devin Gray with the State. 28 customers were sent to collections for non-payment of the 1st quarter billing. Discussion on electric supplier, Steve gave a gentleman to call for current rates and we will discuss this at the June meeting.

Operator's Report

Steve reported the gallons of water consumed in the month of April was 3,580,163 gallons. The average chlorine residual was 1.15% and coliform was absent. The readings were taken on 04/02/25. Nitrates were 4.45% and nitrites were <.10. Sampling locations were discussed and John reported that a current list for sampling locations was sent to Jamie Lorah at SSM. Steve received an alarm for the chlorine analyzer at the tank. Drue from Neal Systems was called and he will determine if a new board will be needed. A storm went through the area causing the alarm and if it was a lightning strike there may be a possible insurance claim to cover the replacement/repairs. Steve reported that he and John were at 242 W. Main Street concerning the shut off valve to the property. The original shut off valve is out of service and they tried to find the new shut off valve. Without any success it was determined that A H Moyer will have to help find the new valve.

Engineer's Report

John reported for Jamie Lorah who was not present at the meeting. A final review letter was received for the Trigon Property project.

Chairman's Report

John reported that repair was made for a leak at 333 W Main Street. He assisted the plumber with the repair. Mentioned the shut off valve at 242 W Main Street as discussed in the Operator's report. Confirmed that 28 customers were sent to collections for non-payment of the 1st quarter bill. The trailer at 5 E Locust Street is being removed from the property. The property owner called to permanently disconnect the water line. John and Steve to meet at the property to see what the best option to do this will be. Susan will call the property owner to determine what the plans are for the property.

The Board went into an Executive Session from 7:40 pm until 7:55 pm.

Old Business

- a. Restoration By Day will complete siding replacement in early June.
- b. Grants – Two grants received by Kelsey Dunkle with PA Dept of Community and Economic Development for review. Awards will be announced late 2025 or early 2026.
- c. CCR – submitted for preview with the State.

New Business

- a. Increase Escrow Amount – Discussion was held and John will talk to our solicitor to prepare a resolution for this increase. This will be discussed and voted on at the June meeting.
- b. NWA Project list for 2025
 1. Krall Landscape—grade and plant grass at well house #5 – Discussion was held as to the time it is taking for the landscaper to do this work. John to check with another landscaper.
 2. Continue to locate all water service laterals into homes and mark/repair as needed
 3. Trigon Plastic Sale/Project – final review letter
 4. CMJM LLC, Bethany Road Project
 5. 80 E Bethany Road – New home build
 6. Any other item will be added to the list, if recommended by another board member and approved.

The bills for May 2025 were reviewed. The Board was asked if we can pay invoice to L/B Water at the time the invoice is received instead of waiting for the June meeting. A motion was made to approve the bills as read by William Leahy and seconded by Bill Zimmerman. All aye, so approved.

The treasurer's report for the month of April 2025 was read. The Board was updated on the addition of \$10,000.00 to the CD renewal through Fulton Bank on 05/05/25; Scott made a motion to accept the treasurer's report as read and seconded by Steve. All aye, so approved.

A CD with Lebanon Federal Credit Union matures on 05/28/25. A motion was made by Steve and seconded by Robin to renew the 9-month CD at the current rate. All aye, so approved.

Susan made a motion to adjourn and Robin seconded it. Meeting was adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

The next meeting will be Monday, June 30, 2025 at 7 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Susan Harper, Secretary/Treasurer