

Newmanstown Water Authority

July 28, 2025

The regular monthly meeting was held on Monday, July 28, 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

Visitor – Fred Ebert, Ebert Engineering, Inc.

Fred Ebert did a presentation on his engineering company and answered questions from the Board.

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

Secretary's Report

Water bills are due 07/31/25, payments continue to be received. One home sale was reported in June. Discussion was held on electricity supplier. It was decided to pursue this further and discuss at the August meeting. Computer service was discussed and will be reported on at the August meeting.

Operator's Report

Steve reported the gallons of water consumed in the month of June was 3,685,241 gallons. The average chlorine residual was 1.39% and coliform was absent. The readings were taken on 06/04/25. The Lead and Copper sample collection, that is required every three years, was completed by Steve and John. Samples were collected and taken for testing. Results will be sent to the customers that participated. Discussion was held on the communication problem experienced with well #4. It was suggested that an external antenna be purchased, a quote was obtained and will be discussed at the August meeting. Steve reported that the DEP inspection, held on 07/25/25, went well.

Engineer's Report

Susan reported for Jamie Lorah who was not present at the meeting. Prepared the Service Line Consumer Notification Certification Form, coordinated and finalized the Lead and Copper and other site sampling plans and transmitted them to PA DEP. Performed coordination for commitment letter for grant applications and sent updates to DCED of the Matching Funds Letter.

Solicitor's Report

John reported for Tim Engler. To date there has been no response to the letter sent to Schmitz concerning the property at 221 E Park Street in Newmanstown.

Chairman's Report

John distributed the report of the PA DEP inspection that was completed on 07/25/25. Discussion was held and responses will be made to the recommendations stated. It was noted that correspondence should be sent to Dave Linton with DEP in Samantha Fay's absence for maternity leave. A. H. Moyer blacktopped the area around the new fire hydrant installed on West Main Street.

Old Business

- a. Restoration By Day will be here on 08/25/25 to replace siding, door and window on the office building.
- b. Cardinal Run Right of Way – Check with Tim Engler on this.

New Business

- a. Discussion on Local Share Account Grants available to the Authority.
- b. NWA Project list for 2025
 1. Grade and plant grass at well house #5 – Green Acres is doing this work
 2. Continue to locate all water service laterals into homes and mark/repair as needed
 3. Trigon Plastic Sale/Project
 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.

Discussion was held on pursuing Ebert Engineering as our engineering firm. A motion was made by Steve and seconded by Scott. All aye, so approved. Spotts, Stevens and McCoy will be notified by letter and Fred will notify them to obtain our records.

The treasurer's report for the month of June 2025 was read. Robin made a motion to accept the treasurer's report as read and seconded by William Leahy. All aye, so approved.

The bills for July 2025 were reviewed. A motion was made to approve the bills as read by Scott and seconded by Bill Zimmerman. All aye, so approved.

A CD with Bird-In-Hand Bank will mature on 08/04/25. Discussion was held and a motion was made by Scott to renew the CD with Bird-In-Hand Bank at the current rate. An amended motion was made by Scott to take money from the checking account to make the CD \$150,000.00. This was seconded by Steve. All aye, so approved.

Susan made a motion to adjourn and William Leahy seconded it. Meeting adjourned at 9 p.m.

The next meeting will be Monday, August 25, 2025 at 7 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Susan Harper, Secretary/Treasurer