

MOUNT GRETNA AUTHORITY

MINUTES

December 4, 2023

Edward Kosoff, chairman, presiding at 6:05 pm, called the meeting of the Mount Gretna Authority to order. The meeting was held in the Authority office.

Board and staff members present:

Edward Kosoff, Chairman	Karl Kerchner
Brad Kleinfelter	
Jessica Kosoff	Michael Sherman
Keith Kilgore, Solicitor	
William Care, Public Works Director	
Linda Bell, Secretary/Treasurer	

Board Members Absent: NONE

Visitors:

William Osburn, resident, 110 Temple Avenue

MINUTES, FINANCIAL STATEMENT & INVOICE LIST:

Jessica Kosoff made a motion to accept the November meeting minutes as presented, seconded by Brad Kleinfelter.

Karl Kercher made a motion to accept the November financial report; seconded by Michael Sherman. All were in favor.

COMMUNICATIONS: NONE

PUBLIC COMMENT: William Osburn sighted recent reports that the water levels are declining and have been for the last five years.

REPORTS

SEWER:

William Care gave the following operation report:

Wastewater Treated for the Month of November 2023:

Gallons Treated	1,993,000
Maximum Gallons per Day – November 22 nd	131,000
Minimum Gallons per Day - November 21 st	53,000
Average Gallons per Day	66,000

Rainfall: Rainfall for the month of November was 2.15”.

DMR: Ammonia Limits:

May 1 st to October 31 st	Average	5.0 lbs. /day	3.0 mg/L
November 1 st to April 30 th	Average	15 lbs. /Day	9.0 mg/l

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Grant Application: The status of the grant applications will not be known until January 2024.

Trickler Filter: No Report

Treatment Facility: No Report

Lead and Copper Regulations: Lead and Ammonia removal results continue to be good.

Treatment Plant Upgrade Plans: No Report

DEP Plant Inspection: DEP Inspector Heather Dock and assistant inspected the treatment plant approximately a week ago. No report has been received as of this date.

WATER:

William Care gave the following operation report:

Water Usage for the Month of November 2023:

Total Gallons Pumped	733,100
Maximum Usage per Day	27,000
Minimum Usage per Day	25,614
Average Gallons per Day (GPD)	25,279

There were no issues with the wells or system.

Princeton Avenue: Several additional Bac-T tests have been completed. All tests were clear. One more set of test will be run and if the results are negative, the line will be placed in service as soon as possible.

Mr. Care will be meeting with DEP on Wednesday to review the well head protection plan. Kohl Bros. will verify this.

Lead Service Lines: In the process of verifying that the Authority has no led service lines.

Mapping: Meeting with Pa Rural Water on Thursday to review and finalize the mapping.

SOLICITOR: No Report

OLD BUSINESS

2024 Budgets:

Sewer: Michael Sherman made a motion to accept the Authority – Sewer budget which includes a rate increase of 5.46% as presented. Jessica Kosoff seconded the motion. All were in favor.

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Water: Karl Kerchner made a motion to accept the Authority – Water budget which includes a rate increase of 5.6% presented. Brad Kleinfelter seconded the motion. All were in favor.

RESOLUTIONS:

Resolution # 12-04-2023: Brad Kleinfelter made a motion, seconded by Jessica Kosoff, to adopt resolution 12-04-2023 increasing the sewer rate by 5.46%. All were in favor.

Resolution # 12-04-2023 (A): Karl Kerchner made a motion, seconded by Michael Sherman, to adopt resolution 12-04-2023 (A) increasing the water rate by 5.6%. All were in favor.

Resolution # 12-04-2023 (B): Karl Kerchner made a motion, seconded by Jessica Kosoff, increasing the Capital Infrastructure fee from \$175.00 to \$190.00 per EDU in the Pennsylvania Chautauqua.

Resolution # 12-04-2023 (C): Michael Sherman made a motion, seconded by Brad Kleinfelter, increasing the Chautauqua Lines fee from \$ 75.00 to \$125.00 per EDU in the Pennsylvania Chautauqua.

NEW BUSINESS

EDU Counts: Mr. Care recommended that the EDU counts be reviewed to insure accuracy.

Agreements: Mr. Care stated that the Authority needs to have agreements drawn up and put into place for all water connections, i.e. Mount Gretna Campmeeting Association, Mount Gretna Heights, etc.

Grease Trap Requirements: Mr. Care expressed concern that the Authority needs to require restaurants to have grease traps and that the Authority will inspect them on a regular basis.

Solicitor Kilgore will take action on updating and/or preparing documents concerning these matters.

ADJOURNMENT

Karl Kerchner made a motion, seconded by Brad Kleinfelter to adjourn the meeting at

6:45 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Linda A. Bell
Secretary/Treasurer
Mount Gretna Authority