

MOUNT GRETNA AUTHORITY

MINUTES

August 4, 2025

Edward Kosoff, Chairman, presiding at 6:02 pm, called the meeting of the Mount Gretna Authority to order.

Board and staff members present:

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

Board Members Absent:

None

Visitors:

William Osburn, 110 Temple Avenue

MINUTES, FINANCIAL STATEMENT & INVOICE LIST:

Michael Sherman made a motion to accept the June meeting minutes; seconded by Brad Kleinfelter. All were in favor.

There was no July meeting held.

Karl Kerchner made a motion to accept the June financial reports; seconded by Michael Sherman. All were in favor.

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COMMUNICATIONS:

none

PUBLIC COMMENT:

none

REPORTS

WATER:

William Care gave the following operational report:

Water Usage for the Month of July 2025:

Total Gallons Pumped	1,017,700
Maximum Usage per Day	39,714
Minimum Usage per Day	34,714
Average Gallons per Day (GPD)	36,346

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DEP Inspection:

Samantha Fay conducted an inspection of the water system. There were no violations found. An inspection of the reservoir must be completed within six months. Robotic inspection of seams to be completed. If that doesn't work then the reservoir needs to be drained. William Care will have price estimates for the next meeting.

Timbers Restaurant Sale:

The deal with the Timbers Acquisition Group for the sale fell through. The deadline for the contract to be completed was the end of July, and the Timbers didn't renew it.

Timbers Service:

William Care will be attending a meeting at the end of August to approve the permitting across Rt 117. Estimate from Chrisland is approximately \$7,000. He stated that there will be more discussion to happen after the permit is approved. He said the need is for 4" only as there are no hydrants in the Timbers.

SEWER:

William Care gave the following operational report:

Wastewater Treated for the Month of July 2025:

Gallons Treated	4,360,000
Maximum Gallons per Day (7/1/2025)	359,000
Minimum Gallons per Day (7/27/2025)	87,000
Average Gallons per Day	141,000

Rainfall:

Rainfall for the month of July was 14.12"

7/1/25 7.50"

7/2/25 .55"

7/15/25 1.70"

7/27/25 1.49"

Treatment Plant:

William Care stated that ammonia is much better. The average for the month of June was 3.03mg/L

DEP Permit:

HRG provided a quote for the DEP permit renewal of \$6,000 to \$7,000. Karl Kerchner made a motion to approve HRG to move forward. It was seconded by Brad Kleinfelter, and all were in favor.

SOLICITOR:

Proposed Grants:

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Solicitor Kilgore stated that the list of grant possibilities provided by HRG do not apply to the Authority or they had a matching requirement.

Enclosing Sand Beds:

Solicitor Kilgore brought up the Commonwealth Finance Agency grant due at the end of October. Jessica Kosoff acquired a quote from Funk & Sons. There was a discussion about recommendations for a grant writer. The grant writer for the Firehall and Kerry Royer were discussed. Karl Kerchner made a motion to approve William Care and Brad Kleinfelter to look into grant writers. Jessica Kosoff seconded it and all were in favor. There was a second motion made by Michael Sherman to proceed with the grant process. Brad Kleinfelter seconded it and all were in favor.

Conservation Easements:

Solicitor Kilgore stated that the Chautauqua postponed their decision until next July. He stated that the Authority needs to protect itself and have easements as follows:

- Old Mountain Road (reservoir to pavement)
- Down Albright Avenue
- Along the power lines
- Along the water line behind reservoir on Lebanon Avenue

It was decided that William Care, Solicitor Kilgore and Michael Sherman should meet to explore how to protect the Authority's interests. In addition they will put together a list and map to present at the September or October meeting. Once it has been established it will be communicated to the Chautauqua.

William Care stated that the reservoir was built in the 1890's and is in pretty solid shape. The new liner was put in the 1980's.

Executive Session: An executive session was called at 6:35 pm for a personnel matter and budgetary items. Session was concluded at 6:44 pm.

ADJOURNMENT

Michael Sherman made a motion which was seconded by Jessica Kosoff to adjourn the meeting at **6:44 pm**. All were in favor.

Respectfully submitted,

Betsy Goepfert
Secretary/Treasurer
Mount Grenna Authority