

MOUNT GREтна AUTHORITY

MINUTES

May 4, 2026

Edward Kosoff, Chairman, presiding at 6:05 pm, called the meeting of the Mount Gretna Authority to order.

Board and staff members present:

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

Board Members Absent:

Brad Kleinfelter

Visitors:

Bill Osburn, 110 Temple Avenue

MINUTES, FINANCIAL STATEMENT & INVOICE LIST:

Michael Sherman made a motion to accept the April meeting minutes; seconded by Jessica Kosoff. All were in favor.

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

COMMUNICATIONS:

None

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Bill Osburn commented on wells listed on DEPs website.

REPORTS

WATER:

William Care gave the following operational report:

Water Usage for the Month of April 2026:

Total Gallons Pumped	718,200
Maximum Usage per Day	35,957
Minimum Usage per Day	22,129
Average Gallons per Day (GPD)	25,650

William Care reported there are no issues with system infrastructure.

Reservoir Cleaning:

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William Care stated Reservoir #2 the cleaning and inspection has been completed by I.K. Stoltzfus Service Corp. The reservoir was out of commission for 2 days.

Timber Service Waterline Interconnection:

William Care reported he has most of the costs for the interconnection and presented a cost spreadsheet to the board. He is still waiting on estimate for value of existing well. He also reported that he is still waiting for an estimate from HRG for the grant writing to apply for an LSA grant in September. In addition, he reported that Chrisland Engineering has not submitted the application for the DEP permit yet.

SEWER:

William Care gave the following operational report:

Wastewater Treated for the Month of April 2026:

Gallons Treated	1,751,000
Maximum Gallons per Day (4/26/2026)	83,000
Minimum Gallons per Day (4/23/2026)	42,000
Average Gallons per Day	58,000

Rainfall:

Rainfall for the month of April was 4.52”

Treatment Plant:

DEP:

William Care reported that progress has been made with ammonia testing. Results have improved from double digits down to 3.0 to 1.0. The staff is implementing some recommendations made by Jeremy Miller for the March 23, 2026, site visit. A meeting is scheduled for May 18, 2026, with DEP in Harrisburg. William Care, Michael Sherman, Bryan Heisey and Ed Spayd will attend.

Trickle Filter:

William Care met with architect Carl Hickey to discuss a possible cover for the trickle filter. They discussed a structure similar to one for the salt storage area. William Care also reported that recycling of the effluent has been increased which in turn has increased the growth on the filter media which is helping with Nitrogen removal.

Imhoff Tanks:

William Care reported that 2 of the Imhoff tanks have been pumped and cleaned. Costs have decreased due to the change in the hauler; however the sludge is thicker, so it needs to be taken to a different location than Annville. They are hauling to Derry. In addition, William Care reported that new sand has been ordered and delivered.

William Care recommended that the July meeting take place at the treatment plant.

SOLICITOR:

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Solicitor Kilgore reported that there are two outstanding assessments. He will reach out to the two residents.

Solicitor Kilgore recommended putting together a letter to the Chautauqua regarding easements for the southern woodland. William Osburn stated that if the Chautauqua received an offer for the land, they would have 30 days to respond. William Care and Solicitor Kilgore will draft a letter in the next week. Solicitor Kilgore recommended William Care work with Chrisland to get a quote for a survey.

OLD BUSINESS

NONE

NEW BUSINESS

NONE

ADJOURNMENT

Michael Sherman Kosoff made a motion which was seconded by Karl Kerchner to adjourn at 6:56pm. All were in favor.

Respectfully submitted,

Betsy Goepfert
Secretary/Treasurer
Mount Gretna Authority