

MOUNT GRETNA AUTHORITY

MINUTES

June 1, 2026

Michael Sherman, Board Member presiding at 6:00 pm, called the meeting of the Mount Gretna Authority to order.

Board and staff members present:

Michael Sherman

Karl Kerchner

Betsy Goepfert, Secretary/Treasurer

Brad Kleinfelter

Keith Kilgore, Solicitor

William Care, Public Works Director

Board Members Absent:

Edward Kosoff

Jessica Kosoff

Visitors:

Bill Osburn, 110 Temple Avenue

Sawyer Alves, HRG Engineering

MINUTES, FINANCIAL STATEMENT & INVOICE LIST:

Brad Kleinfelter made a motion to accept the May Special meeting minutes; seconded by Karl Kerchner. All were in favor.

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Brad Kleinfelter made a motion to accept the May financial reports; seconded by Karl Kerchner. All were in favor.

COMMUNICATIONS:

None

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Bill Osburn asked if the leak at the bottom of the trickle filter had been fixed. William Care stated yes new seals have been put on it.

REPORTS

WATER:

William Care gave the following operational report:

Water Usage for the Month of May 2026:

Total Gallons Pumped	617,700
Maximum Usage per Day	27,429
Minimum Usage per Day	17,757
Average Gallons per Day (GPD)	23,989

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William Care reported there were no issues violations in May.

Mount Gretna Coffee Cottage:

William Care stated that the Authority might want to think about re-rating the Coffee Cottage based on small dishwasher and handwashing sinks.

Timber Service Waterline Interconnection:

William Care reported he is still waiting on a quote for the cost of a new well with the same dimensions as the existing one. He also reported he is still waiting for DEP response to stream crossing permit.

Water Assessments:

Solicitor Kilgore reported that there is still one outstanding assessment.

SEWER:

William Care gave the following operational report:

Wastewater Treated for the Month of May 2026:

Gallons Treated	2,130,000
Maximum Gallons per Day (5/24/2026)	117,000
Minimum Gallons per Day (5/6/2026)	52,000
Average Gallons per Day	70,000

Rainfall:

Rainfall for the month of May was 3.326"

Treatment Plant:

DEP:

William Care reported that there were no violations in May. He attributed that to changes in operation (recycle effluent from trickle filter to influent of trickle filter) and monitoring all phases. He stated that we are running our tests and comparing them to the lab tests. A discussion occurred about changing the treatment plant rating from 200,000 GPD to 150,000 GPD. He pointed out if it were lowered it would help with treatment requirements. This is to be revisited after the data is available from the summer months.

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William Care also reported the ammonia results for April.

Ammonia Results:

4/1/2026	7.32 MG/L
4/8/2026	4.72 MG/L
4/15/2026	2.71 MG/L
4/22/2026	1.81 MG/L
4/29/2026	1.59 MG/L
Average for the month	3.67 MG/L
Average for the month	2.0 LBS

Trickle Filter:

Brad Kleinfelter asked about the status of an enclosure over the trickle filter. William Care reported he had spoken to Carol Hickey about drawings. In addition, he will reach out to the company that enclosed the salt bin.

SOLICITOR:

No report

OLD BUSINESS

NONE

NEW BUSINESS

CAP reply to DEP:

Sawyer Alves reviewed the proposed CAP response from HRG. Approval was needed by the Authority before it could be submitted to DEP. Sawyer stated there were two phases of the CAP. Phase One would involve 1 year of testing, 1 year of data collection and operational improvements. After the data is collected, rate impact analysis and funding options would be looked into.

Phase Two would involve evaluating different alternatives and reviewing funding options. He went on to state that if rates in phase one became consistent, this could allow for more time to evaluate options in phase two versus a need for a new plant.

Solicitor Kilgore asked when the year starts. Sawyer stated he believes when DEP approved the CAP, but he would clarify in the submission.

Brad Kleinfelter made a motion to accept the CAP as presented with a minor revision. Karl Kerchner seconded the motion, and all were in favor.

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ADJOURNMENT

Karl Kerchner made a motion which was seconded by Brad Kleinfelter to adjourn an executive session for a personnel issue at 6:42pm. All were in favor.

Karl Kerchner made a motion which was seconded by Brad Kleinfelter to exit the executive session at 6:56pm. All were in favor.

Karl Kerchner made a motion which was seconded by Brad Kleinfelter to adjourn at 6:57pm. All were in favor.

Respectfully submitted,

Betsy Goepfert
Secretary/Treasurer
Mount Gretna Authority