

Newmanstown Water Authority

April 24, 2023

The regular monthly meeting was held on Monday, April 24, 2023 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

Robin Bomgardner

Susan Harper

Charles Duffy

William Zimmerman

Leonard Ontkos

Scott Sweigart

John Tschudy

Darryl Jenkins

A motion was made by Steve and seconded by Robin to approve the March 2023 meeting minutes. All aye. So approved.

Secretary's Report

Susan reported that registration for the federal grants was submitted 04/24/23 and it takes up to ten days to review and approve the registration. Discussion was held at the March meeting as to the insurance coverage with our financial institutions. John and Susan will meet with Anne Decker from Jonestown Bank and Trust to discuss our accounts. We will discuss our findings at the May meeting. A letter to update customers and share the Consumer Confidence Report information, was given to the board for review, this will be included in the June billing.

Operator's Report

Steve reported the gallons of water consumed in the month of March was 3,373,950 gallons. The average chlorine residual was 1.07%, and coliform was absent. The readings were taken on 03/01/23. Reported that he had PA One calls for relocations and new gas service lines.

Engineer's Report

Darryl reported that the year-end reports have been submitted. He is finishing the reimbursement from Penn Dot for expenses incurred.

Chairman's Report

John reported that an email was received from Samantha Fay inquiring about the Cold Storage warehouse to be constructed in Newmanstown. John informed her that the property was purchased by John F. Martin & Sons and sent information concerning the determination to be made as to water service for the property. On 04/21/23 we were notified that John F. Martin & Sons made the decision to proceed with the private on-lot wells on the property.

Route 419 will be closed from the traffic light going west from 05/1/23 until 05/14/23 for the installation of a new drain pipe.

John attended at workshop on 04/14/23 and shared that new rules and regulations will be coming in the next few years.

John reported a leak at 17 S. Parish Avenue. This was repaired by A. H. Moyer and the leak was repaired on the property owner side and a gasket on the water authority side was repaired. The billing for these services was shared by the customer and the authority.

A leak was repaired at 109 Peach Street. A new meter was installed and a plumber was called to replace a pressure regulating valve.

The Consumer Confidence Report was distributed for review. Instructions to read this report will be included in the letter to the customer, on the June billing, and uploaded to our website.

The authority received an email from the PA Public Utility Commission late afternoon on 04/24/23 with notice of a fine for a violation from 07/14/22. Details on this will be investigated.

A lien for property at 221 E Park Street was submitted by our solicitor and we will proceed with this after discussing in more detail.

Fire hydrants are scheduled to be flushed from 05/30/23 through 06/02/23.

OLD BUSINESS

Correspondence and work continue on new housing project at 322 W Main Street

NEW BUSINESS

Water tank cleaning to be done sometime in June

NWA Project list for 2023

- Krall Landscape – complete seeding in the Spring

- Continue and complete painting of fire hydrants

- Continue to locate all water service laterals into homes and mark/repair as needed

- Install new water meters and remotes only in emergencies. Supply shortages.

- NWA projects for new grant funding.

- Additional items added as become necessary.

- Flushing of water hydrants is scheduled for 5/30/23 through 6/2/23

The bills for April 2023 were reviewed. A motion was made by Scott and seconded by Robin to approve the bills as read. All aye, so approved.

The treasurer's report for the month of March 2023 was read. Charlie made a motion to accept the treasurer's report as read and seconded by Bill. All aye. Treasurer's report approved.

Lenny made a motion to adjourn and Robin seconded it. Meeting was adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

The next meeting will be **Wednesday, May 24, 2023** at 7 p.m.

Note: Change in day and date for May meeting.

Respectfully submitted,
Susan Harper, Secretary