The Six Hundred Seventy Fifth and Regular Meeting

October 22, 2025

The meeting was called to order and roll call was taken.

In attendance:

Richard Pogwist
Daniel Weiksner
George Krajnak
Tommy Vadyak
Tobias Krajcirik
Keith Showalter
James Nanovic

Mary Ann Flyzik – resigned

Guests:

- Nathan Eachus – Representing Pure Green BioAg, Inc
  103 Rotary Drive
  West Hazleton PA 18202
- Todd Eachus – Representing Pure Green BioAg, Inc
- George Gilbert
  841 East Ridge Street
  Lansford PA 18232

The Board heard a presentation from Pure Green BioAg, Inc concerning PFOS testing and remediation. There are funds being set aside by manufacturers to test for, and if necessary, remediate municipal water systems. They provided information that will be reviewed by the Board along with the Engineer and Solicitor.

The Board then heard from George Gilbert who is a Lansford Borough Council member. He inquired about information he had heard concerning services sharing due to the ongoing dispute concerning a water bill owed by the Borough. He asked whether the Authority would continue to work in cooperation with the Borough workforce as has been customary. The Board assured him that the cooperation between the Authority workforce and the Lansford Borough Streets Department would not be affected.

The minutes from the September 2025 meeting were read.

A motion to approve the minutes was made by Tommy Vadyak and seconded by George Krajnak. All voted in favor and the motion was approved.

Motion to ratify action by the Chairman to approve monthly invoices of $61,116.^{10} was made by George Krajnak and seconded by Dan Weiksner. Richard Pogwist, Dan Weiksner and George Krajnak voted in favor of the motion. Tommy Vadyak voted no. The vote being 3 for and 1 against, the motion was approved.

Correspondence

- PPL proposal for constructing a 69 kV line across parts of Authority property.
- Letter from Lansford Borough's Solicitor concerning the outstanding water bill.
- A resignation letter from Board member Mary Ann Flyzik due to her moving out of Authority territory.

Motion to accept Correspondence was made by Tommy Vadyak and seconded by George Krajnak. All voted in favor and the motion was approved.

Chairman's Report

- Nothing to report

Superintendent's Report

- Toby informed the Board about a roof/building leak in the office. He has contacted a contractor to investigate. This contractor will also look at the layout at the front of the office to offer suggestions on changes.
- Toby stated that a leak in Lake Hauto was mitigated.
- Toby stated that Well F pump house roof was replaced. One additional well-house roof will be replaced this year.

- Toby informed the Board that there is a water system operator Apprenticeship program run by the Pennsylvania Rural Water Association (PRWA). He stated that this may be worthwhile investigating for potential future field operators. The Board agreed, and asked Toby to inquire into it.
- Toby was contacted about the Concession stand and restrooms at what was the Lansford pool. The Borough of Lansford would like to be able to provide water to the concession stand and restrooms, while isolating water to all other lines that supplied the pool. This is so the concession stand and restrooms could be used for events held at the park as well as if the old footprint of the pool is utilized.
    - A motion to have the Authority aid Lansford Borough in isolating the lines was made by Tommy and seconded by George. All voted in favor and the motion was approved.
- Toby stated that preliminary 2026 Budget estimates will be conducted the week of 10/27/25.
    - Along the same line, Toby thought a 3-year and 5-year plan would be a beneficial look ahead for major capital projects. He stated continuing the Abbott Street water line upgrade would be a priority for the 3-year plan and the additional water tank for the Bear Creek Dam area is worth considering on the 5-year plan.

Engineer's Report

- Keith stated Carbon County has been added to the Drought Watch. He noted that the Authority's website was updated reflecting that.
    - Toby mentioned that the wells are being monitored, and so far there is no impact.
- Keith updated the Board on the PA Commonwealth Financing Committee meeting scheduled for November 18'th. Keith will monitor if the Committee is planning an earlier meeting.
    - Recall that there are 2 pending grant applications. One for the continuation of the Abbott Street project and one to replace Well pumps 1&2 and the pumphouses.

- Keith stated the Federal grant application for the additional Abbott Street work is still in the review process. Hopefully the Authority will hear back on the grant request before the end of 2025.
  - He also informed the Board that the Unique Entity Identifier (UEI) number was renewed. This is required for Federal Grants.
  - Additionally, there will be online point of contact materials that the Chairman will need to review.
  - Keith stated that he is finalizing the bid documents for the project.
- There was a discussion on the planned office renovations. Keith stated that he would present some options to the Authority in the near future.
- A motion to accept the Engineer's report was made by Dan Weiksner and seconded by George Krajnak. All voted in favor and the motion was approved.

Solicitor's Report

- Jim will respond to the letter the Authority received from Lansford Borough's Solicitor concerning the Train Station water bill.
- Jim will review the materials presented by the company (Pure Green BioAg) and will update the Board.

Old Business

- Nothing

New Business

- A review of the request for PPL to perform surveys on Authority property for the construction of a new 69 kV line.
  - A motion to allow the surveys to be conducted was made by Tommy Vadyak and seconded by George Krajnak. All voted in favor and the motion was approved.
- No shutoffs for the Sewer Authority will be performed in the 4'th quarter due to weather and workload considerations.

- A recommendation to hire ADP to do payroll was made by Toby. Lacey will no longer be doing quarterly payroll reconciliation. The cost is approximately $2800 per year.
    - A motion to hire ADP was made by Tommy Vadyak and seconded by George Krajnak. All voted in favor and the motion was approved.

Motion to adjourn.

Motion by Tommy Vadyak, seconded by Dan Weiksner. All voted in favor and the motion was approved.

Next meeting is November 19, 2025.

Chairman

Secretary