MINUTES Greenfield Township Sewer Authority July 31, 2025

Roll Call: Nick Bonczkiewicz, Glen Shifler, Patty Apostolakes and Harry Coleman, Solicitor Absent: Melissa Graziano, Don Flynn

Last month's minutes were not available. Will dispense minutes next month. Nick Bonczkiewicz made a motion to defer, 2nd by Patty Apostolakes.

Engineer's report on file from JHA, read by Glen Shifler.

Operator's report: Mike Franco

- 1. No violations for the month of June. July results are not in yet, but Mike believes the plant should not have more violations. Mike commented that the plant could be removed from the DEP consent order which is six months without a violation.
- 2. More rain could impact this no violation streak; however the plant has been able to handle the inflow even with the previous rain.
- 3. Sludge tank was emptied and tested with less than desirable results (filled with filaments and high ammonia). Mike made decision to wait to de-sludge the tank for now.
- 4. Patty Apostolakes asked Mike what he was doing versus what JHA had been doing to prevent violations in June and July. Mike responded that he's basically checking and testing daily and keeping the oxygen and "bugs" in balance (i.e. bugs doing their job).
- 5. Mike will send a letter to DEP alerting them to our goal of being violation-free for six months.
- Nick Bonczkiewicz made a motion to accept the Operator's Report, 2nd by Patty Apostolakes. All in favor.

Old Business:

- 1. A 10x12 shed was ordered from Independent Structures which offered the best price.
- 2. The Sewer Authority will sponsor a 4-ft. recycled plastic bench for the Community Park for \$700. The price includes the bench, concrete installation, bolting the bench to the concrete, and a sponsorship plaque. Glen Shifler made a motion to purchase the bench, 2nd by Nick Bonczkiewicz, all in favor.
- 3. Asked by Melissa Graziano, Harry Coleman wrote a letter to DCED regarding the sole source nature of the bubbler.
- 4. Harry Coleman drafted an ordinance on sump pumps and other prohibited discharges into the public sanitary sewer system which includes fines and surcharges and gives the SEO to further pursue this issue. Prohibited discharges include stormwater, surface water, groundwater, well water or water from other sources. Nick Bonczkiewicz made the motion to recommend to the Township Supervisors to adapt this ordinance, 2nd by Patty Apostolakes, all in favor.
- 5. Harry Coleman commented that a draft STR ordinance is also in work and suggested that both ordinances be published in the local newspaper to save costs. A discussion was conducted on the impact of STR and the sewer system. Mike Franco noted that on Friday, July 4th (a dry day) the sewage flow increased from 60,000 to 95,000, which could have been due to the number of STR guests that day.

The Treasury Report was not available and will be read at next month's meeting and a motion will be made then. Nick Bonczkiewicz read the NEP Tax and Accounting summary letter for the month of July. Jerry Snyder asked if the public approves the monthly bills. Harry Coleman commented that a monthly report from the NEP Tax and Accounting office affirms that everything is in order.

Public Comment:

1. Brenda Gavin commented that there are small pipes on her side of the road with some form of liquid that is coming into her yard and at times there's a smell. Since the manhole was dug up, the situation has worsened. Mike Franco suggested that her water be tested for wastewater (i.e. ammonia, which means sewage). Nick Bonczkiewicz commented that he'll ask Wyatt to check this out.

Motion to adjourn by Glen Shifler, 2nd Patty Apostolakes, all in favor.