

Scott Township Authority

Minutes – February 17, 2026

Scott Township Authority met on the above date in the Township Municipal Building, 350 Tenny Street, Bloomsburg, Pennsylvania. Chairman Mr. Douglas Sitler called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. The meeting was opened by saying the Pledge of Allegiance. In attendance were Mr. Fred Dent, Mr. Gerald Maertz, Mr. Brian Willie, Mr. Matthew Turowski, Mr. Jon Benfield, and Mrs. Susan LaRouche.

Comments from the Audience- No attendees

Minutes- Mr. Willie made a motion to approve the January 19, 2026 minutes. Mr. Dent seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0.

Bills Presented- The Board reviewed the Bills Presented with some discussion. Mr. Willie made a motion to approve the bills as presented for \$33,213.71. Mr. Maertz seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0.

Financial Reports- The Board reviewed the Financial Reports from January 2026 with some discussion.

Financial Investments- Mr. Willie shared with the Board that the purchased CDs are in good margin for the Scott Township Authority at more than \$600,000.00 with the maturity dates well staggered. There is no motion needed until April upon the next CD maturity date.

Labor Reports- The Labor Reports from January 1, 2026- January 30, 2026 were reviewed by the Board with some discussion.

Old Business-

- Flow Reports - In January 2026 Scott Township received 0.83 inches of rain, up from January 2025 when we received 0.32 inches. There was discussion about the treatment costs to Bloomsburg Municipal Authority. Conversation continued about considering representation on their Authority Board or if there is a developed conflict pursuing that. Attorney Turowski told the Board that council members appoint the BMA Board members and is unsure about what the composition is. The Board's recommendation is to review the agreement with the Bloomsburg Municipal Authority.
- Lee St. Project - Mr. Benfield told the Board that he has a scheduled meeting for February 18th with HRG Engineering and will be able to answer a lot more about the force main.
- Mr. Benfield told the Board he was at the force main today reviewing a demo for an Aerator at the pump station to eliminate break down of the concrete from H2S. He will be testing it for about a week.
- Epoxy Manhole - Mr. Benfield summarized the issue to the new solicitor, Attorney Matt Turowski. There are 7 manholes with peeling epoxy. Mr. Benfield explained that he has been continually trying to connect with the Delaware-based company responsible to correct the damage with no avail. Mr. Benfield told the Board that Josh Satteson at HRG Engineering was to send a letter to the outfit responsible and will follow up to see if that was done.

Resolution 1-2026 Amending Sewer rates -

The Resolution was reviewed with some discussion. Mr. Willie made a motion to approve the resolution #1-2026 as presented. Mr. Dent seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0.

Resolution 2-2026 Amending Sewer penalty-

The Resolution was reviewed with some discussion. Mr. Dent made a motion to approve the resolution #2-2026 as presented. Mr. Maertz seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0.

Other -

Mr. Benfield told the Board that electric rates are going up from .58 to 1.12 due to the current supplier, APPI is going away and new company is called Environ electric supplier. There was discussion in length about how the brokerage firm handles getting the best rates before the contact ends in July. The Board made a recommendation to look into going longer terms to try to alleviate rate fluctuations, Mr. Willie made the point that electric rates are not a decision made by the Board.

New Business-

Resolution Amending- Facilities Fees-

Mr. Benfield discussed to the Board about the fees schedule. He explains what is charged for meters and labor cost, he then proposed a need for update because the prices were set back in 2009 and are now long outdated. There was discussion in length about installation fees. The Board made a recommendation to develop an amendment and will vote on it at the next meeting.

Apple Run Expansion Project-

Mr. Benfield explained to the Board that an Engineer is needed to sign off on easements. There was discussion in length about the uncertainty of defining where the easements were originally purchased and mapped. Mr. Turowski advised that the owner's Engineer needs to match the drawings same as the Authority. Mr. Benfield will continue to research on defining the easements.

Adjournment-

The Board formally adjourned at 7:43 p.m.

The next regularly scheduled meeting is to be held Monday, March 16th, 2026 at 6:30 p.m.

cc: Board Members, Minutes Book
Matthew Turowski – Esquire