

Scott Township Authority

Minutes – June 16, 2025

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. Gerald Maertz, Mr. Matthew Spicher, Mr. Brian Willie, Mr. Jon Benfield, and Ms. Nina Allen.

Comments from the Audience – Buildings & Grounds Director for Central School, Mr. Brian Tretter, told the Board that the school has a failing treatment system. The Central School District is now searching for sewer system replacement options due to the continued delays and no clear timeline for South Centre Township's installation of a sewer system. He also explained the school's concerns with very high cost to replace their current system. Mr. Tretter asked the Board to consider temporarily allowing the four school buildings to connect into Scott Township Authority's system, and if the EDU purchases for \$270,000.00 could be refunded once a sewer system is established in South Centre Township. Mr. Sitler responded that this type of situation has never been presented before, and consideration would be needed before responding to his questions. Mr. Benfield requested that Mr. Tretter provide a five-year flow report of the school. There was discussion in length about the school's situation along with their average usage of water.

Minutes – Mr. Willie made a motion to approve the May 19, 2025 minutes. Mr. Maertz seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0.

Bills Presented – Mr. Spicher made a motion to approve the bills as presented for \$240,122.92. Mr. Maertz seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0.

Mr. Spicher made a motion to approve payment of \$11,700.00 from the sinking fund. Mr. Willie seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0.

Financial Reports – The Board reviewed the financial reports from May 2025 with some discussion.

Financial Investments – Mr. Willie told the Board that he and Mr. Benfield met to go over CD maturities. There is a CD scheduled to mature on 07/10/25. Mr. Willie made a motion to approve a purchase of a \$200,000.00 CD for up to 18 months when the current CD matures in July. Mr. Maertz seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0.

Labor Reports- The Labor Reports from May 9, 2025-June 5, 2025 were reviewed by the Board with some discussion.

Old Business-

Flow Reports - In May 2025 Scott Township received 6.71 inches of rain, up from May 2024 when we received 5.01 inches.

Platform at Edgar Ave – Mr. Benfield told the Board that he spoke with Jeff Pickens at JP Environmental and they plan on arriving as soon to fully complete the platform project.

Lee St. Project - There was discussion in length about a meeting Mr. Benfield had with PennDOT and HRG Engineers. The meeting was in regards to coordinating both projected projects at the bridge located on Lee Street. Mr. Benfield discussed to the Board about Mr. Joshua Satteson, from HRG Engineering, and how he hasn't given a proposal in this month's meeting as promised. Mr. Benfield told the Board that he spoke to Erin Threet about completing the project proposal and expects the delay to be resolved.

Epoxy Manhole Update - Mr. Benfield told the Board he spoke to Mr. James, Esquire about proceeding with legal action.

Locator Equipment Update- Mr. Benfield discussed with the Board about tracer wires and a demonstration he attended for locator equipment needed on our forced mains.

New Business-

Community Service Liabilities – Mr. Benfield asked the Board if the Scott Township Authority would be able to allow the community service juveniles to assist them with projects or if that could be a liability issue. The Board advised Mr. Benfield to discuss liabilities with the parole officer upon their return.

Adjournment

The Board formally adjourned at 7:27 p.m. The next regularly scheduled meeting is to be held Monday, July 21, 2025 at 6:30 p.m.

cc: Board Members, Minutes Book