

**MINUTES**  
**LOWER SWATARA TOWNSHIP MUNICIPAL AUTHORITY**  
**LEGISLATIVE MEETING – MAY 22, 2023**

The May 22, 2023, Legislative Meeting of the Lower Swatara Township Municipal Authority was called to order at 7:00 P.M by Chairman Wilkinson. Chairman Wilkinson called for the pledge of allegiance. The record indicated the following in attendance in person or zoom.

- Richard Wilkinson, Chairman
- Scott Spangler, Vice Chairman
- Chester Hartz, Secretary
- Frank Popp, Treasurer
- Don Bailes
- Jim Diamond, Eckert Seamans
- Caleb Krauter, Engineer
- Brain Davis, MS4
- Scott Washinger, Municipal Authority Representative
- Zachary Border, Township Manager
- Tracey Bechtel, Recording Secretary

Residents and visitors in attendance: See attached list for others in attendance.

**Public comments:** None

**Approval of Minutes:**

A motion was made by Mr. Hartz seconded by Mr. Bailes to approve the Minutes of Legislative Meeting April 24, 2023. The motion was unanimously approved.

Approve/reject/table Resolution No. 2023-R-1 Authorizing the Disposition of Certain Enumerated Records.

A motion was made by Mr. Popp seconded by Mr. Spangler to approve Resolution No. 2023-R-1 Authorizing the Disposition of Certain Enumerated Records. The motion was unanimously approved.

Approve/reject/table Invoice #246922 dated 5/15/2023 for Lower Swatara Township's portion of the Biosolids Project in the amount of \$35,760.00.

A motion was made by Mr. Popp seconded by Mr. Bailes to approve Invoice #246922 dated 5/15/2023 for the Lower Swatara Township's portion of the Biosolids Project in the amount of \$35,760.00. The motion was unanimously approved.

Approve/reject/table Phase 1 Triple Crown Oberlin Road Townhomes Financial Security for the Sanitary Sewer.

A motion was made by Mr. Hartz seconded by Mr. Bailes to approve Phase 1 Triple Crown Oberlin Road Townhomes Financial Security for the Sanitary Sewer in the amount of \$304,127.00. The motion was unanimously approved.

Approve/reject/table Security Agreement between Lower Swatara Developers LLC (Wawa and Quick Serve Restaurant) and the Municipal Authority of Lower Swatara Township.

A motion was made by Mr. Bailes seconded by Mr. Spangler to approve the Security Agreement between Lower Swatara Developers LLC (Wawa and Quick Serve Restaurant) and the Municipal Authority of Lower Swatara Township in the amount of \$227,820.00. The motion was unanimously approved.

Approve/reject/table the Operation and Maintenance (O&M) Agreement Stormwater Management Best Management Practices (SWM BMPs) for Lower Swatara Developers LLC (Wawa and Quick Serve Restaurant).

A motion was made by Mr. Spangler seconded by Mr. Hartz to approve the Operation and Maintenance (O&M) Agreement Stormwater Management Best Management Practices (SWM BMPs) for Lower Swatara Developers LLC (Wawa and Quick Serve Restaurant). The motion was unanimously approved.

**Engineer's Report:**

**Act 537 Planning**

HRG is working diligently to collect all the needed on-lot information in the Township and prepare notices for distribution. The ACT 537 Plan is anticipated to be completed in the fall of 2023.

**2023 Sanitary Sewer CIPP Lining Project**

The Project has been revised to include the sewers within the Bryn Gweled neighborhood and remove the Capital Campus sewer interceptor, as requested by Authority Staff. Authority Staff have requested this project be included in a CFA Small Water and Sewer Project Grant Application.

Due to concerns with I&I in the Jamesway Pump Station sewer basin, the bidding has been put on hold while CCTV is being completed. Additional areas of the sewer system will be added to the project, as requested by LSTMA staff.

**Lumber Street Interceptor Improvements Project**

HRG is finishing up with the QAQC of the Special Study prior to submission. Following submission and approval of the Act 537 Plan Special Study, the WQM Part II Permit will be submitted to PADEP.

**Highspire Borough Authority (HBA) – Biosolids System and Dewatering Improvements Project**

Rettew has invoiced for preliminary design, permitting, final design, and bid phase services for this project. They stated they will be providing HRG the 90% of the drawings in the coming weeks.

**Jamesway Pump Station Investigations and Analysis**

Authority staff continue to search for locations of direct I/I entry into the system to help the capacity issues in this area., The staff did identify a few bad manholes that are anticipated to be lined to help with the I/I issue. Due to

planned land development within the sewer basin, Improvements are required for future connections. Buildout in the sewer basin is anticipated to be approximately 155 EDUs, based on current land development requests and LSTMA records.

## **STORMWATER PROJECTS UPDATE**

### **2021 Storm Sewer Replacement Project (217 Delmont Ave, Scarlett Ave, Spring Garden Dr by Caterer, Cockley Road Culvert Replacement, Swatara Dr & Penna Ave, Nissley & Spring Garden, Greenwood Circle).**

The contract with JVI is just waiting for the finalization of the landscaping item on the punch list for 215 Delmont and Greenwood Circle and then the contract can be closed. Both are expected to be resolved within the next month.

#### **Schedule:**

Substantial Completion      Issued December 6, 2022

Final Completion              October 28, 2022 - Expected now Spring of 2023

### **Bryn Gweled Infrastructure Replacement Project**

The bid was opened on April 19, 2023, at 10am. There were 6 bidders, and the winning bidder came in at \$700,656 which is significantly under budget. LSTMA awarded the bid at their April 24, 2023, meeting. We have received the completed contract forms back and they were countersigned by LSTMA. We are now preparing the notice to proceed and will schedule a re-construction meeting.

We did hear back from Veolia that they are intending to start their waterline replacement project by the end of May 2023. Our project can begin after their installation is completed, so their delayed timeline could potentially impact on our project and will be monitored closely.

Substantial Completion      September 29, 2023

Final Completion              October 16, 2023

### **2024 CIP Stormwater Improvement Project (Burd & Richard Storm Sewer Replacement, Lumber St Storm Sewer Replacement, Richardson Road Stream Restoration & Fiddlers Elbow Road Bank Erosion Repair).**

No Update to report.

We are finalizing our scope of work for the remaining design, permitting and PennVest phases of work for this project to keep this project on schedule.

### **Hanover St and Meade Ave Stormsewer Repairs**

The bid was opened on April 20, 2023, at 11am. There were 3 bidders, and the winning bidder came in at \$145,004 which is substantially over budget, but still cumulatively under budget when you compare Bryn Gweled and Hanover/Meade together between bid results and cost estimate budgets. LSTMA awarded the bid at their April 24, 2023, meeting. The contractor is now executing the contract to return to us.

Substantial Completion      August 31, 2023

Final Completion              September 29, 2023

### **2023 Drainage Improvements Project (Nissley & Spring Garden, Woodridge Basin Tie-In Off of Spring Garden)**

Nissley and Spring Garden Subsurface Utility Engineering results found 3 water line clashes and 3 gas line clashes that cannot be resolved through engineering adjustments. Veolia and UGI have both prepared a plan to resolve these issues and plan for construction Spring/Summer 2023. We did hear back from Veolia that they plan to start their

project in Bryn Gweled at the end of May, so it'll likely be June that they complete the waterline replacement work for Nissley and Spring Garden.

Eckert Seamans provided the grant agreement notice they received for the Woodridge grant. We will need to prepare a scope of work for field evaluation, design, bid preparation and construction support for this project. It is anticipated that LSTMA will manage the construction activities for both the Township and HOA components of this storm sewer replacement project. It makes sense to bid this project and the Nissley/Spring Garden replacement project together. Since construction is expected later in 2023, we are going to call this the 2023 Drainage Improvement Project.

### **Land Development Projects Update**

#### *The Pond at Fulling Mill*

The Board of Commissioners conditionally approved this plan set at their April 19, 2023, meeting.

#### *Jednota South Warehouse*

The pre-construction meeting for this site was held and they are working through their remaining conditions before the plan can be recorded and construction can begin onsite.

#### *UPS Northeast Hub*

Construction punch list items are still outstanding at the new N. Union Street Pump Station. The contractor did complete the demolition of the old pump station.

#### *William's Farm*

No update to report.

#### *Stoneridge Lot 5*

No update to report.

#### *Campus Heights Village III*

No update to report.

#### *Kinsley Residential Subdivision*

No update to report.

#### *Union Knoll (Formerly Oberlin Road LD-Triple Crown)*

The Phase 1 work crossing MASD property will be starting in the next few months.

The Board of Commissioners conditionally approved this plan set at their April 19, 2023, meeting.

#### *1801 Oberlin Road – 3 Lots*

No Update to report.

#### *Illuminated Integration*

The Board of Commissioners conditionally approved this plan set at their April 19, 2023, meeting.

*Penn Preserve*

Construction is paused until precast manholes come in for entrance area.

*Aberdeen Subdivision*

No update to report.

*Colony of Old Reliance*

The proposed sanitary sewer alignment was provided to the authority and HRG in April 2023.

*UGI CNG Facility*

No update to report.

*Capital Valley Lots 3 & 4 Subdivision*

No update to report.

*Wawa*

The sanitary sewer plan review #3 was returned to LSTMA on April 28<sup>th</sup> with outstanding comments.

The Board of Commissioners approved this plan at their May 3, 2023, meeting.

**Manager Report.** Mr. Border reported that on June 1<sup>st</sup> we will be sending out about 130 delinquency letters.

**Municipal Authority Representative Report:** Mr. Washinger noted that he attended the Highspire meeting. There are no updates to report.

Mr. Washinger reported that we are having some issues with our flow meters which are very old. He would like to replace five (5) a year or we will start to run into problems with our flow metering. Chairman Wilkinson asked what the price is per meter. Mr. Washinger estimated roughly between seven to eight thousand dollars each and we would need 14 of these types of flow meters.

Mr. Hartz inquired on the status of the Middle School pump station and the problems that Mr. Washinger had noted a few months ago. Mr. Washinger indicated that he is planning to sit down with the School District and discuss the cost estimates with them. He will keep the Board updated.

**MS4 Report:** Mr. Davis noted that the Public Works department cleaned out the Shope Gardens area, they trimmed out the cattails and put down new mulch. Mr. Davis is planning on doing some new plantings to fill in the open spaces.

Mr. Davis reported that at the beginning of the month we had our monthly WREP meeting, most of the meeting was spent going over the issues that each Municipality felt was important to them. There were conversations about what we could focus on to be beneficial to everyone. Mr. Davis thinks this is all stemming towards what the different tiers of services will be. There was talk about combining forces for educational seminars for the public and combined training for the public works departments.

Mr. Davis indicated that on Thursday, June 29, 2023, the Township is going to host a stormwater educational seminar for the public at the Lower Swatara Fire Department at 6:00 PM.

**Approve May Expenses for Sewer Revenue Fund:**

A motion was made by Mr. Popp seconded by Mr. Bailes to approve the May Expenses for the Sewer Revenue Fund in the amount of \$699,823.85. The motion was unanimously approved.

**Approve May Expenses for Stormwater Fund:**

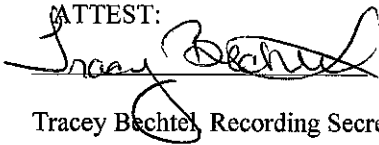
A motion was made by Mr. Popp seconded by Mr. Hartz to approve the May Expenses for the Stormwater Fund in the amount of \$87,123.63. The motion was unanimously approved.

**Old Business:** None

**New Business:** None

A motion was made by Mr. Popp seconded by Mr. Spangler to adjourn. The motion was unanimously approved, and the meeting adjourned at 7:19 P.M.

ATTEST:

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Tracey Bechtel", is written over a horizontal line.

Tracey Bechtel, Recording Secretary

LOWER SWATARA TOWNSHIP  
MUNICIPAL AUTHORITY

Sign-In Sheet

Monday, May 22, 2023

PLEASE PRINT NAME LEGIBLY:

COMPANY NAME or RESIDENT:

1. Ron Paul

LST

2. Chris Depina

LST

3. Debra M. L

Res. Dev. T

4. Ron Burkholder

LST

5. Todd Trantz

LST Board Liaison

6. Devon Cook

HRG

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