

**MINUTES**  
**LOWER SWATARA TOWNSHIP MUNICIPAL AUTHORITY**  
**LEGISLATIVE MEETING – SEPTEMBER 25, 2023**

The September 25, 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. Popp seconded by Mr. Bailes to approve the Minutes of Legislative Meeting August 28, 2023. The motion was unanimously approved.

Approve/reject/table acceptance of five-year Agreement for 1929 Oberlin Rd to hook into existing lateral at 1931 Oberlin Rd.

Solicitor Diamond suggested this be subject to any edits approved by the Solicitor. A motion was made by Mr. Popp seconded by Mr. Hartz to approve the acceptance of the five-year Agreement, subject to any edits approved by the Solicitor for 1929 Oberlin Rd to hood into existing lateral at 1931 Oberlin Rd. The motion was unanimously approved.

Approve/reject/table Financial Security Adjustment #1 in the amount of \$264,025.00 for Penn Preserve for the Sanitary Sewer and Stormwater leaving a balance of \$229,609.00.

A motion was made by Mr. Hartz seconded by Mr. Bailes to approve the Financial Security Adjustment #1 for Penn Preserve for the Sanitary Sewer and Stormwater. HRG recommends an adjustment of \$264,025.00, leaving a balance of \$229,609.00. The motion was unanimously approved.

Approve/reject/table Operation and Maintenance (O&M) Agreement Stormwater Management Best Management Practices (SWM BMPs) between Capital Valley LP-Lot 3 and Lot 4 and Lower Swatara Township Municipal Authority.

A motion was made by Mr. Spangler seconded by Mr. Popp to approve the Operation and Maintenance (O&M) Agreement Stormwater Management Best Management Practices (SWM BMPs) between Capital Valley LP-Lot 3 and Lot 4 and Lower Swatara Township Municipal Authority. The motion was unanimously approved.

Approve/reject/table Application for Payment #1 for the Bryn Gweled Infrastructure Replacement Project to Shiloh Paving & Excavating, Inc. in the amount of \$199,355.40.

A motion was made by Mr. Bailes seconded by Mr. Popp to approve the Application for Payment #1 for the Bryn Gweled Infrastructure Replacement Project to Shiloh Paving & Excavating, Inc. in the amount of \$199,355.40. The motion was unanimously approved.

Approve/reject/table bid from York Excavating Company, LLC for an emergency repair to Rosedale Avenue in the amount of \$92,596.67.

A motion was made by Mr. Popp seconded by Mr. Bailes to approve the bid from York Excavating Company, LLC for an emergency repair to Rosedale Avenue in the amount of \$92,596.67- The motion was unanimously approved.

**Engineer's Report:** Summary of recent activities performed on behalf of the Municipal Authority of the Township of Lower Swatara (Authority) from August 23, 2023, to September 21, 2023.

#### **Act 537 Planning**

HRG has completed the preliminary preparation of the Act 537 Plan update and will be providing to the Authority and Township staff for review in October 2023.

#### **2023 Sanitary Sewer CIPP Lining Project**

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

#### **Lumber Street Interceptor Improvements Project**

The Lumber Street Act 537 Plan Special Study was approved by PADEP. The WQM Part II Permit will be submitted to PADEP in the coming days.

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

No update to report.

### **Jamesway Pump Station Investigations and Analysis**

HRG has updated the July 21, 2023, proposal of professional services to remove the bidding phase services, as requested by the Authority. The procurement of the equipment is anticipated to take place via COSTARS.

### **Capital Campus Interceptor Improvements Project**

HRG completed 30% review meeting with LST Staff on August 29. LST Staff requested that HRG have a geotechnical inspection completed at needed areas on this Project, which we have requested from ECS Mid-Atlantic, LLC and from Kleinfelder.

Final Design and permit application preparation has begun and is anticipated to be completed in the Spring of 2024.

## **STORMWATER PROJECTS UPDATE**

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

Shiloh was able to mobilize to site the week of August 14, 2023, to start construction. Veolia's construction timeline may impact our substantial completion date if they are delayed further, but we are working with them and our contractor to keep this project on schedule.

During construction it was found that the manhole we are connecting to from Conway into Lumber Street is in need of replacement as well. We discussed with Scott Washinger and requested a change order from the contractor to add this manhole to the list of those to replace onsite. Change Order No. 1 has been received in the amount of \$10,891.93. Application for Payment No. 1 has been received in the amount of \$199,355.40 for work completed between July 30, 2023, and September 9, 2023.

Substantial Completion	September 29, 2023
Final Completion	October 16, 2023

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

Structures are in procurement and construction can begin when they are delivered. Construction activities continue.

Substantial Completion	October 16, 2023
Final Completion	November 13, 2023

### **2024 CIP Stormwater Improvement Project**

Project sites include Burd/Richard/Nissley Storm Sewer Replacement, Lumber Street Storm Sewer Replacement, Richardson Road Stream Restoration & Lakeside Drive Storm Sewer Replacement and New Installation.

We reviewed the benefits of delaying Fiddlers Elbow Road given the potential sanitary sewer project for the road with Township Staff and the merits of advancing a project to resolve the issues along Lakeside Drive. They have agreed with us to pursue Lakeside Drive over Fiddler's Elbow for the project.

The resolutions for the DCIB-G submission were approved by LSTMA at their July 24, 2023, meeting. The DCIB application was submitted by the deadline of August 15, 2023. The LST BOC voted to act as guarantor of the loan to support the LSTMA resolution to that effect.

## **2023 Drainage Improvements Project**

Project locations include Nissley & Spring Garden, Woodridge Basin Tie-In off Spring Garden.

The field survey for Woodridge was completed and post-processed and we kicked off design and layout on August 9, 2023. We completed the constructability review and are revising the design files now to prepare them for review with Township Staff before finalization. We reached out to Veolia to discuss their timeline for the water line replacement for Nissley to Donald, which is planned for after Bryn Gweld is finished.

## **Land Development Projects Update**

### *The Pond at Fulling Mill*

No update to report.

### *Jednota South Warehouse*

No update to report.

### *Stoneridge Lot 5*

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 is on hold until the PADOT Highway Occupancy Permit is received for the Oberlin Road sewer crossing.

### *1801 Oberlin Road – 3 Lots*

No Update to report.

### *Illuminated Integration*

Construction continues.

The site is now under construction.

### *Penn Preserve*

We were asked by the developer to perform a financial security adjustment recommendation and have that field visit schedule for the next week to recommend by next meeting.

### *Aberdeen Subdivision*

The BOC tabled this plan at their August 16, 2023, meeting for additional coordination with the developer and their engineer to adequately respond to public comments received at that meeting.

### *Colony of Old Reliance*

An updated land development plan was received on September 19, 2023, and is currently being reviewed.

*UGI CNG Facility*

No update to report.

*Capital Valley Lots 3 & 4 Subdivision*

HRG reviewed the most recent plans and responded with plan review #4 on August 22, 2023. The engineer satisfied all the sanitary sewer comments.

The stormwater management design substantially changed and needs to be re-reviewed and the FSA's reviewed. An updated land development plan was received on September 14, 2023, and is currently being reviewed.

*Wawa*

No update to report.

*MASD Elementary School*

No update to report.

*Catherine Hershey School*

The BOC voted to conditionally approve the waivers and plan at their August 16, 2023, meeting.

An updated land development plan was received on September 9, 2023, and is currently being reviewed.

*PSU Turf Field*

No update to report.

Approve/reject/table Proposal for the Jamesway Pump Station Permanent Generator Upgrade Project in the amount of \$24,800.00.

Mr. Krauter noted that an updated Proposal for the Jamesway Pump Station Permanent Generator Upgrade Project, was included in the Boards packets. As requested, and noted at the last Authority Board meeting, we have revised the proposal so that the work will be designed. HRG will not be preparing the bidding documents and we have removed the bidding phase. The design will include pad structural design, the sizing of the generator, the electrical work associated with all the improvements and the assistance with the Authority Staff to obtain quotes through COSTARS.

Mr. Krauter added that the first item that will be completed is preparing an easement exhibit, the parcel owner that we are looking to get an additional parcel from is open to this idea.

A motion was made by Mr. Hartz seconded by Mr. Popp to approve HRG's Proposal for the Jamesway Pump Station Permanent Generator Upgrade Project in the amount of \$24,800.00. The motion was unanimously approved.

Mr. Krauter updated the Board on the intermunicipal agreement with Swatara Township. Discussions have taken place where a developer is completing a development in Swatara Township, and they would like to install a pump

station within Lower Swatara Township that would collect sewage potentially from a couple of Lower Swatara residents but then ultimately be pumped back to Swatara Township and be treated at Swatara Township.

**Manager Report:** Mr. Border noted that meetings with departments for the budget process for 2024 have started.

**Municipal Authority Representative Report:** Mr. Washinger indicated that he has a meeting with ADS, the flow metering company, tomorrow and will give the Board an update next month.

Mr. Washinger reported that he attended the Highspire meeting last Thursday, the bid process is out for the screw press this week and they should have a contractor hired by the end of October.

Mr. Washinger advised the Board of a 4-foot diameter section in Cockley Road at the opposite end of where that patch was done about a year ago that has a 2-foot depression in it. It is probably Veolia again and they will need to dig that out.

**MS4 Report:** Mr. Border reported on behalf of Mr. Davis that the WREP meeting is on Wednesday. Originally, they were scheduled to vote on the numbers and what it was going to look like moving forward. There has been no update on the numbers and seems like there are several Municipalities who had questions that haven't been answered so it is likely that no vote will happen this month.

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

A motion was made by Mr. Hartz seconded by Mr. Bailes to approve the September Expenses for the Sewer Revenue Fund in the amount of \$203,025.29. The motion was unanimously approved.

**Approve September Expenses for Stormwater Fund:**


A motion was made by Mr. Spangler seconded by Mr. Hartz to approve the September Expenses for the Stormwater Fund in the amount of \$38,355.37. The motion was unanimously approved.

**Old Business:** None

**New Business:** None

A motion was made by Mr. Popp seconded by Mr. Bailes to adjourn. The motion was unanimously approved, and the meeting adjourned at 7:24 P.M.

ATTEST:

  
Tracey Bechtel, Recording Secretary

LOWER SWATARA TOWNSHIP  
MUNICIPAL AUTHORITY

Sign-In Sheet

Monday, September 25, 2023

PLEASE PRINT NAME LEGIBLY:

COMPANY NAME or RESIDENT:

1. Dale Messink

Resident

2. RON PAUL

LST

3. CHRIS DENNA

LSV

4. Deron Cook

HRG

5. Todd Truntz

LST Liason

6. Michelle Richwine

RESIDENT

7. Tom Ecker

RESIDENT

8. Shawn Fabian

HRG

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