

**MEETING MINUTES OF THE  
PLUM CREEK MUNICIPAL AUTHORITY  
July 2021**

A regular meeting of the Board of The Plum Creek Municipal Authority was held on July 20, 2021, at the Plum Creek Municipal Authority Business Office Building, South Manheim Township, Schuylkill County, Pennsylvania.

Board members present at the meeting were Jim Ridderhoff, Jerry Weiss, and Ryan Achenbach. Also, in attendance were Nancy Wesner (PCMA Office), Matthew Crump (SES - Select Environmental Solutions), Jamie Lorah (SSM Engineering), and property owners - Michael Flynn Jr, Richard Hardy, and David Mengel.

Jim Ridderhoff called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

The minutes for the June 2021 meeting were accepted by motion of Jerry Weiss, seconded by Ryan Achenbach, carried by all.

The Treasurer's report for June 2021 was reviewed and accepted by motion of Jerry Weiss, seconded by Ryan Achenbach, carried by all.

Matthew Crump (SES), submitted a written manager's report to the Board prior to the meeting:

- Copies of the following information has been submitted by SES to PA DEP on the authority's behalf and are viewable via PA DEP website via the eDMR.
  - Discharge monitoring report and Discharge monitoring report supplemental report
- Blue Mac Truck had a new vacuum pump installed.
- Western Star is going in for inspection 7/7/21.

In water operations, Matthew Crump (SES) reported that:

- Well #1 rehabilitation was completed.
- We are currently operating 3 wells (Wells #8, 6, and 1). We filled the storage tanks as much as possible prior to 6/14/21 as that was when Subsurface was due to start rehabilitation on Well #1. They arrived on schedule and started work and Well #1 was shut off. It was completed and subsequently Well #1 was restarted and Well #3 was shut off.

- Well # 3 rehabilitation has been started and as of this month it is now completed.
- Water meter reads were completed.
- New chemical pump was ordered for trial run. We can continue to use current pumps for the orthophosphate addition because they do not give us any issues.
- Booster Station: All pumps operational and rotating on monthly basis.

In sewage operations, Matthew Crump (SES) reported that:

- Normal operations continue and plant ran well for June 2021.
- Approximately 28 septic pumps are in the backlog.

Jim Ridderhoff asked if Subsurface found any issues. Matthew Crump (SES) said Subsurface said at Well # 3 - the leads (the power coming into the building from the power company) is imbalanced. Each of the leads is reading something different and they said the scale is going to lower the life expectancy of the well pump. Matthew said he did contact PPL yesterday and they are going to get him in touch with the engineering side from PPL.

In legal matters, Joe Zerbe did not attend due to illness. Nancy (PCMA Office) said Joe has been doing routine legal matters such as filing and satisfying liens.

In engineering matters, Jamie Lorah (SSM), said a couple of weeks ago we received South Manheim Township's Resolution to adopt the Act 537 Plan Update Revision. Jamie said we have a copy of that which allows us to complete that submission package and there is one pending for Wayne township and she does not expect that to be an issue. Both packages will go to DEP. Scott Novatnak is our reviewer, he is a new reviewer, somebody new that was not part of the initial process, and he has a little bit of a different way of reviewing plans, and we will see what comes out of his review. Jim Ridderhoff said at Wayne Township's last meeting that they said they would be passing the resolution at their July meeting which is tomorrow. Jamie said everything gets packaged to DEP, two separate packages, one for South Manheim Township, one for Wayne Township, and then it will go to DEP. Jamie said once they get all the information the clock starts on the review and if he needs additional information, he will let us know. Jamie said DEP is allowed 120 days with the potential for a 60-day extension. Jim asked Jamie Lorah (SSM) what exactly do we have to do with the Sewage Management Program right now. Jamie said nothing at this time because she is unsure how that is going to proceed through DEP.

Matthew Crump (SES) said he had one question from last month's meeting (he had left early) on the trial run for the pumping - was anything decided on that. Jim Ridderhoff said that was put on hold.

David Mengel said he had a new meter put in and the wires that run to the touchpad on the outside of the house - the guy did not put it in right and he can not close the cover on it. David said can he just take the wires off and do it right so he can close the cover or does he have to have someone from PCMA come out and do it. The Board said they are okay with David fixing it and if he has any problems to contact PCMA.

Michael Flynn said he had some questions on the water system. Michael said how many miles of main are in the system. Matthew Crump (SES) said he has that information in the water audit, but he did not have that information with him. Ryan Achenbach said he knows there is thirty-three miles of road and water is going to be very similar to that. Michael asked if we track for unaccounted for water and what is it currently. Matthew said yes and the amount is on the water audit which he did not have with him. Michael asked about the Infrastructure Leak Index (ILI) and Matthew said he does not think we track that. Michael said he is trying to get an idea of what kind of shape the system is in.

Ryan Achenbach said he has a question from the resident side. He is on Running Deer Drive, and he has been getting brown water, at times, and he has talked to several of his neighbors, and they have all shared the same issue. Ryan said he has never had brown water in the twelve years he has been here. Ryan said what is the next step to find out if there is an issue. It is sporadic and then suddenly you get a rush of brown water. He is wondering if there is a local leak around his area. Matthew Crump (SES) said Bonkovich is coming in this week for leak detection.

Jamie Lorah (SSM) asked if PCMA has a hydrant flushing program. Jamie said maybe that should occur in that area. David Mengel said it wasn't done this summer. Nancy (PCMA Office) said it has been about two years since they did the hydrant flushing. Ryan said there is no pressure issues. David said he had problems with manganese and every so often they would come up and spot flush the hydrant up from his place and that would clear it up. Jim Ridderhoff asked Matthew to check the records and see when the last hydrant flushing was done. Matthew said he will stop up in that area and spot flush.

There being no further business, Jim Ridderhoff motioned for adjournment, Jerry Weiss seconded the motion, carried by all. Jim Ridderhoff adjourned the meeting at 6:26 p.m.

Meeting minutes were taken, prepared, and submitted by Nancy We