

**MEETING MINUTES WORK SESSION
NORTH SEWICKLEY TOWNSHIP SEWER AUTHORITY
September 16, 2021**

Role Call	The monthly business meeting was called to order at 6:00 pm by Chairman, Ken Chute. Present were Brent Tritt, Rudolph Shirilla, Emmett Santillo, Manager, Lisa Crespo, Engineer, Emily Palmer and Solicitor, Myron Sainovich. Arthur Hayes, absent.
Pub/Input	None
Visitor	Mossy Murphy with CIM Investments and Mike McCaig with RBC Capital Markets spoke on the Sewer Authority refinance of the Bonds and Pennvest loans. We could potentially lower the payment and potentially borrow money. Discussion of the need to rebuild the Brighton Road pump station, roughly \$700,000.00. By borrowing money, we would extend the term of the bond slightly. The other item in question for the need for borrowing is the Beaver Falls CAP. Emily is not sure of the costs related to the studies we are performing under the CAP; they are not itemized at this time. Discussion on rates and terms of the potential bond refinance. Rates are at an all-time low, and it would be a good time to take advantage of the refinance. Ken Chute wanted to know what the savings would be, and Mike McCaig stated that it is technically a loss. The extension of the debt in terms of years but we can lower the payment.
Board Member Statement	Emmett Santillo wanted to inform the public that if they have any issues with their sewer and/or water bill, they can call the office at 724-843-5826 rather than posting the information on social media. The Board members and Supervisors do look at comments and a recent post is not our issue; it was relating to a delinquency. Ken Chute also stated that we would be more than happy to answer questions and address problems. There are proper channels through the office, and we will not answer on social media due to privacy concerns.
Meeting Minutes	Motion by Brent Tritt and seconded by Emmett Santillo to approve the Regular Business Meeting Minutes of the Sewer Authority, dated August 19, 2021. Four ayes, motion carried.
Bills For Board Approval	The Sewer Authority bills were presented to the Board for review. Bills totaling \$101,901.89 were presented for review/approval. Motion by Emmett Santillo and seconded by Brent Tritt to approve payment of all bills. Four ayes, motion carried.
Treasurer's Report	Presented was the Sewer Authority Treasurer's report from August 2021 for review and discussion.
Operations Report	Discussion on the operation of the pump stations for August 2021. Report grinder pumps and PA One Call activity.
General Reports	Presented were the bank balance reports, the aged accounts receivables, weekly activity reports for Justin, Cody and Devin.
Old Business	Presented the updated estimate on the construction of a maintenance building. The cost went from \$425,040.00 in June of 2020 to \$709,416.00 in September of 2021. At this time the maintenance building discussion will be tabled to see if costs decrease in the spring of 2021.

New Business	None
Engineers Report	Emily Palmer presented the Monthly Engineer's report for the Sewer Authority. Emily updated the Brighton Road Pump station; she feels that spending 1.4 million on bigger pumps is not going to resolve the issue. If we keep the solution on site and build a deeper wet well, that may be the answer to the problem, we need more working volume. Emily feels this solution could be in the range of \$700,000 - \$900,000 and hopefully on the lower side of that. There is nothing new to report on the Beaver Falls CAP.
Solicitor's Report	Discussion on 2055 Bennett's Run Road. Myron presented a plan for repayment. Myron suggested a 90-day response time. Ken Chute would like to see a quicker turn around, like 30 days. Myron would like to give them 15 days to respond to the letter then 90-120 days to make payments. He is suggesting \$500.00 monthly payments.
Executive Session	None
Public Input	None
Adjournment	Motion by Emmett Santillo and seconded by Brent Tritt to adjourn the meeting at 6:48 pm. Four ayes, motion carried.

Lisa A. Crespo, Manager

October 21, 2021