

**Chairman Eugene “Gene” Neidermyer called the June 13, 2019 meeting of the Western Heights Water Authority** to order at 6:00 p.m. Present were Gene Neidermyer, Jim Leonard, Tony Gay and Bruce Martin. Also, present were Jerry Brackbill (Operator), Gary Martin (Engineer), William Cassidy (Solicitor), and Tom Plitt (Township Supervisor).

Jim made a **motion to approve the May 9, 2019 minutes as presented.** Tony seconded the motion, and all voted yes.

Linda reported that the certified letter that was sent to the owner of 823 West Main Street was returned as undeliverable. The letter stated that the owner of 823 West Main Street has fourteen (14) days to provide the results of a third-party water test to WHWA. Because the WHWA has not received the test results, the Authority directed Solicitor Cassidy to send a letter informing the owner that if the test results are not provided, this matter will be handed over to the Earl Township Board of Supervisors to proceed under the Second Class Township Code, requiring that the property be connected to the public water system at the cost of the homeowner.

Valerie Madenford, 817 West Main Street, was present to discuss connecting to the public water system. After much discussion, the Authority directed that Valerie provide Linda with a plan to connect and for payment of the Tapping Fee of Five Thousand Four Hundred Dollars (\$5,400.00). Such a response shall be delivered to the WHWA for review at the July 11, 2019, meeting at which time the Authority will discuss and potentially approve the proposal.

The Authority was given a copy of the 2018 Audit report. After some discussion, Linda was to have a representative from Maher Duessel attend the July 11, 2019 meeting.

Jerry reported on PA DEP plans required to be reviewed and upgrades annually.

1. WHWA handbook
2. Total Coliform sample site plan
3. Disinfection Byproduct Plan
4. Lead and Copper Sample Site Plan

Jerry reported new requirements in 2019

1. EPA Methods 334 (weekly and quarterly)
2. Disinfection Requirement Rule Sample Site Plan (start date April 29<sup>th</sup>)
3. Uninterrupted System Service Plan, Jerry reported the plan is complete and kept at the Treatment plant if DEP ever wishes to review. Jerry also noted DEP maybe requiring more in the future. Jerry had a few suggestions; however, these will be very costly for WHWA.
  - a. Standing water tower
  - b. An additional generator
  - c. A connection with NHB for only emergencies
4. Comprehensive Monitoring Plan

Jerry also noted items on the horizon from DEP

1. Drought Contingency Plan
2. Emergency Water Source
3. PFOS PFOA (perfluorooctanesulfonic acid)

Jerry reported on the Radium testing Maximum Contaminant Level (MCL) is 5.0pCi/L The WHWA Radium tested at 5.15. DEP has not responded regarding the violation. Jerry is hoping DEP will only increase the frequency of the future testing requirements.

Jerry reported WHWA may have a water leak, they did some excavating in some areas to try to locate the leak. Jerry suggested a few options to the Authority.

1. Inquire the cost to have Upper Leacock Township to assist with the water testing equipment they own.
2. Replace all water meters with Sensus iperl meter/ 20- year battery warranty. Cost \$155.00 each.
3. Replace all water meters with Neptune meters with backflow prevention. This would require that customers have an expansion tank.

The Authority directed Jerry to contact Upper Leacock Township to provide a quote to WHWA for the use of equipment.

The delinquent accounts were reviewed in the amount of \$ 2,824.08

The receipts for May were reviewed in the amount of \$ 434.88

Jim made a **motion to approve the disbursements of checks #4204 - #4218 in the amount of \$12,911.94.** Bruce seconded the motion, and all voted yes.

Meeting adjourned at 6:52 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Linda Marburger, Appointed Secretary/Treasurer