

MINUTES
HEALTH & SANITATION COMMITTEE
July 1, 2025

The Penn Township Health and Sanitation Committee convened on Tuesday, July 1, 2025, at 7:02pm. Present were Chairman Fanelli, Commissioners Arnold, Baile, Elksnis and Heiland. Also present were WWTP Superintendent Lank, WWTP Asst Kline, Township Manager Sweeney, and Assistant Township Manager Klinefelter. The following items were discussed:

ANNOUNCEMENTS: There were none

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES: The minutes of the June 3, 2025, Health and Sanitation Committee Meeting were approved as submitted.

CITIZEN'S COMMENTS: There were none.

REFUSE AND RECYCLE CONTRACT: Anthracite's is close to completing the updates to their website to accommodate for our residents, and the mailer will go out shortly after the completion of the website. They have a list of properties they are looking at in the area they will be purchasing/leasing for their local operations site.

SEWER LINING, MANHOLE COATINGS, AND I/I INVESTIGATION: The data from Dukes Root Control has been received and is being reviewed. This information will help the sewer department decide what areas need to be focused on for rehabilitation of the pipes.

SEWER RATES: WWTP Superintendent Lank is re-evaluating the revenue vs expense for the department to determine a potential rate adjustment.

NEWSLETTER: Space is being created to inform residents regarding the trash contract with Anthracite and hoping to include a copy of their flyer, to help update the residents.

904 GRANT: For 2023, the Township received \$45,019.54 in 904 grant funds. The 2024 904 grant will soon be opening, and Superintendent Lank will be submitting the information.

2026 BUDGET: Started working on the budget and getting an idea on upcoming projects and purchases needed.

OTHER MATTERS: Superintendent Lank explained the cracking at a grit tank wall. HRG was hired to review the tank, pictures from construction and the blueprints, and believe it's a soil issue. A geotechnical firm, ARM Group, was hired to review the soil to determine what the fix will be. The plant will be draining the tank and using our vac truck to dig test pits so the geotechnical firm can see what it looks like under the footer.

CITIZEN'S QUESTIONS TO THE COMMITTEE REGARDING DISCUSSION ITEMS: There were none.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:13pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Laura Klinefelter
Township Secretary