

MINUTES  
HEALTH & SANITATION COMMITTEE  
August 4, 2025

The Penn Township Health and Sanitation Committee convened on Monday, August 4, 2025, at 6:33pm. Present were Chairman Fanelli, Commissioners Arnold, Baile, Elksnis and Heiland. Also present were WWTP Superintendent Lank, WWTP Asst Kline, Township Engineer Bortner, 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 July 1, 2025, Health and Sanitation Committee Meeting were approved as submitted.

CITIZEN'S COMMENTS: There were none.

REFUSE AND RECYCLE CONTRACT: Anthracite Waste just completed updates to their website to accommodate our residents for the tote selection, and the mailer will go out shortly. Anthracite will be bringing a trash truck to National Night Out.

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. WWTP Superintendent Lank said they are still waiting for Abel Recon to give them an updated schedule for the lining project.

GRANDVIEW ACRES PROJECT: The project has been started back up and the crew is over 80% complete, and the crew will stay on this project until it is completed.

NEWSLETTER: The Newsletter is almost complete and will be going to the printer in approximately 3 weeks, as we are just waiting for an insert from Anthracite.

2026 BUDGET: We started working on the budget and getting an idea on upcoming projects and purchases needed. Currently getting quotes from suppliers/vendors.

COARSE SCREEN PROJECT: All the flow to the plant runs through this screen, which includes a grinder and washer/compactor. We realized additional parts were needed but were on backorder from Germany to rebuild the grinder. Our employees worked very hard to correct the issue with the grinder by getting parts made next door at KLK in order to get it back up and running by the end of the week. By getting this done ourselves, we were able to save the Township money.

OTHER MATTERS: WWTP Superintendent Lank discussed the Grit tank wall update. The Geo tech firm and engineer said it should no longer move. The engineering firm is going to install rebar attached to the footers that can be seen above ground to measure 4 times a year to check for movement.

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

The meeting was adjourned at 6:38pm.

Respectfully submitted,

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Township Secretary