

MINUTES
HEALTH & SANITATION COMMITTEE
November 3, 2025

The Penn Township Health and Sanitation Committee convened on Monday, November 3, 2025, at 6:27 pm. Present were Vice Chairman Baile, Commissioners Arnold, Heiland and Elksnis. Also present were WWTP Superintendent Lank, WWTP Asst Kline, Township Engineer Bortner, Police Chief Merwede, Deputy Fire Chief Wysocki, Zoning Officer LeFevre, 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 October 7, 2025, Health and Sanitation Committee Meeting were approved as submitted.

CITIZEN'S COMMENTS: There were none.

REFUSE AND RECYCLE CONTRACT: No new updates from Anthracite. There is currently no final number of residents that signed up for the totes at this time. The Township offered Anthracite the back side of the plant to store the totes while they deliver them to the residents in December.

SHREDDING EVENT: The shredding event was held on October 18th, 2025. The Township recycled 3.8 tons of paper and over 240 vehicles dropped off material. The committee scheduled the next shredding event for April 25th, 2026, which will include a food drive.

2026 BUDGET: An updated draft budget was submitted to the committee for review.

INDUSTRY PRE-TREATMENT PERMIT RENEWALS: WWTP Superintendent Lank stated he completed the updates to the permits and they are now being reviewed by GHD, before they are issued.

CARDINAL DRIVE UPDATE: All underground work is complete, and blacktop patching is wrapping up. Next, the crew will be working at the old Pump Station site on Timber Lane. The main lines have severe root intrusion and will need replacement.

NEW EQUIPMENT INSTALL UPDATE: Projects that were included in the 2025 budget were reviewed: Colonial pump station received a new generator, control panel replacement, and a wet well aeration blower. A Cloth Filter Blower installed at the plant, an automatic valve purchased for the aeration tanks, and an update to our SCADA system for better process control. WWTP Superintendent Lank also reviewed unplanned work that has been completed: A Plant raw wet well mixer was replaced and the old one rebuilt for a backup. A raw pump VFD was replaced as the old one was not repairable. Hershey Heights pump replacement and the old pump will be rebuilt so that there is a backup.

OTHER MATTERS: Engineer Bortner said the new tri-axel should be delivered in December.

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

The meeting was adjourned at 6:35pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Laura Klinefelter
Township Secretary