

# MABE Meeting Minutes May 27, 2025

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## In Attendance:

Darrell Gible  
Steve Keech  
Greg Siwik  
Floyd Jennelle  
Keith Showalter, Systems Design Engineering  
Charlotte Gehman

## Absent:

Stephen Kalis, Fox Rothschild  
Dan Engro

## Others in Attendance:

John Dean, EEMA

Meeting called to order at 7:00p by Steve Keech who led the Board in the Pledge of Allegiance and Prayer.

**Motion by Floyd to approve April 27, 2025, Meeting Minutes. Second by Greg. Motion Approved.**

## Public Comment

None.

## Correspondence/Communication

None.

## Treasurer's Report

Approval of the May payables per Check Register presented. **Motion by Darrell to approve the May payables as presented. Second by Greg. Motion approved.**

Finance Committee Report – Dan was not present to present a report.

Controller Services Meeting/Plan – Discussion of the meeting we had last Friday to meet John Weidman the part time controller we will be working with and having Brown Plus come to the Board meeting. Anticipating this will occur in July after Brown Plus has some time to familiarize themselves with our projects. Charlotte and Lorrie have a meeting with the Brown Plus QuickBooks expert to discuss software options going forward. **Motion by Floyd to roll over the CD after interest rate is determined per the notice received. Second by Motion approved.**

## Operator's Report

Blower Room Auto-dialer/Crystal Ball- Quote from Envirep to consider replacing the auto-dialer with an Omnisite Crystal Ball.

**Motion to approve the Envirep quote in the amount of \$6,735.00 including start by Darrell. Second by Floyd. Motion approved.**

Average daily flow was 75,000 gallons per day. The plant is running normally and under permit. Minor upkeep items completed. Measured the pump station. Quote from Envirep for Omnisite Crystal Ball will be requested for the plant to replace the autodialer that is working sporadically. The door closer to the blower building has been repaired. Met with Mohl's electric to evaluate the generator connections and to estimate the TVEC pump station electrical work. The pump station hours are all close together. All samples made permit.

## Engineer's Report

127 W. Conestoga Connection – Application and plan to be received. Some revisions are needed. Keith described the existing Force Main and the requirements and how the connection would be made. Keith has prepared a review letter. Keith feels they will need a PennDOT Right of Way permit. Keith expects a revised plan at the June meeting and that Stephen will need to provide improvements to the agreement document. An E-1 grinder pump will be required for the project.

Tensor Motorcar Project – Steve has had a discussion with Dave Stoltzfus regarding the escrow funds for this project. Still waiting for the signed paperwork to release the escrow.

Act 537 Report – Keith needs to get back in touch with SSM to finalize. If the potential West Nantmeal project moves forward that should be added to the Act 537 report, but Keith does not want to wait too long to finalize. Steve suggests going with twenty-one homes and modifying, if necessary, later.

PA Small Water & Sewer **Saddler Pump Station Improvements** Grant - Grant application was submitted on April 25th. Anticipate awards in October or November.

Local Share **Pump Station Improvements** Grant Application – Waiting for awards anticipated for September 2025.

Local Share **Headworks/HVAC** Grant Project – Keith is nearing completion of the design work. Keith hopes to have that by June or July.

ARPA Small Water and Sewer **Collection System Rehab** Grant Project - Televising Quotes Presented by SDE. Four proposals received.

Public bidding not required with CoStars. **Motion by Darrell to approve COSTARS Quote from Ditchcreek utility Services of \$24,327.52. Second by Darrell. Motion approved.** Start time estimated as mid-July and will take 2-3 weeks.

ARPA H2O PA **Plant Upgrade** Grant Project - Still working with Purestream on a proposal.

TVEC Pump Station Rehab – Keith provided a layout of the current pump station set-up. Charlotte will get fence quotes and send a letter to the school district to notify. **Motion to approve Mohl’s Electric quote for improvement in the amount of \$7,650.00 by Floyd. Second by Darrell. Motion approved.**

Easement Plans and Right of Ways – Keith provided an updated map of the easements that have been identified and collected on a master document.

**Solicitor’s Report**

None

**Old Business**

New Computer Equipment – New Laptop and Computer delivered. The computer will be moved to the Borough office when Charlotte leaves and the work is transitioned.

Audit – Charlotte is still receiving questions from the Auditor’s so it is not completed yet.

**New Business**

Plant Driveway Potholes – John will check with Tim McEwen about a price for repairing the WWTP driveway potholes.

Conference Phone – Borough agrees to share the cost of a new conference phone, so one will be ordered.

**Admin Update**

QuickBooks – Still reviewing options.

Training – Charlotte is working with Lorrie Stolz to train her on the MABE business and gave her a brief tour of the plant and the pump stations.

**Executive Session**

The meeting was adjourned at 8:15p.

Next Scheduled MABE Board Meeting is **June 24, 2025, at 7:00p.**