

MABE Meeting Minutes November 25, 2025

In Attendance:

Darrell Gibble
Floyd Jennelle
Dan Engro
Steve Keech, Chairman
Keith Showalter, Systems Design Engineering
Stephen Kalis, Fox Rothschild – via telephone
Lorrie Stolz

Absent:

Greg Siwik
Mike Trojecki

Others in Attendance:

John Dean, EEMA

Meeting called to order at 7:00pm.

Motion made by Dan Engro and seconded by Floyd Jenelle to approve October 28, 2025, Meeting Minutes as presented. Motion carried by all.

Public Comment

None.

Correspondence/Communication

Lorrie shared System Design Engineering 2026 Service Rates. Keith Showalter discussed the rates and stated there will be a 3% increase in their rates in 2026. Steve Keech asked Lorrie to send the 2026 rates to John Weidman at Brown Plus so he can include them in the budget for 2026.

Treasurer's Report

Approval of the November payables per Check Register presented. **Motion made by Floyd Jenelle and seconded by Darrell Gibble to approve the November payables as presented. Motion carried by all.**
Finance Committee Report – Dan reviewed the account balances.

Operator's Report

John Dean stated the average daily flow was 71,000 gallons a day in October. He stated the plant is running excellently and all sample averages are below permit limits. John discussed the various maintenance items that were performed during October. He stated they had one alarm call out for the EQ Tank, it was high there was a low flow coming out of the EQ tank. He stated the lead pump was ragged up, they pulled it, cleaned it, and the other pump and now it is running well. John stated he is hoping to have an installation date from Sigma before the December meeting for the new panel, and painting should be completed before the December meeting as well.

Steve Keech stated he would like to have the portable generator at the plant evaluated to see how much it would cost to get it working and if it would be worth keeping. Steve discussed a quote he received from G.A. Vietri for a portable generator.

Steve and John discussed quotes they received from Premium Power and Main Street Power for the main generator at the Wastewater Treatment Plant. Steve asked John Dean to contact both Premium Power and Main Street Power Systems, LLC to discuss their quotes further. Steve suggested once the board decides and signs a quote, have that company come out and evaluate the portable generator at the plant.

Engineer's Report

Tensor Motorcar Project – Keith stated Dave Stoltzfus indicated based on the plans that were submitted there have been no changes to the plans, so they can be used as the As-Built Plans. Keith stated we can move forward to have Stephen Kalis to prepare the Deed of Dedication. **Motion made by Darrell Gibble and seconded by Floyd Jennelle to authorize Stephen Kalis to prepare a deed of dedication for the Tensor Motor Car Sewer Lateral. Motion carried by all.**

Act 537 Report – Keith stated he is hoping to clean this up within the next week or two.

PA Small Water & Sewer **Saddler Pump Station Improvements** Grant - Grant application submitted on April 25th. Waiting for awards, the Commonwealth Finance Authority met on November 18th, however; no grants were approved for the eastern side of the state. Keith will keep the Board updated.

Local Share **Pump Station Improvements** Grant Application – Waiting for awards, the Commonwealth Finance Authority met on November 18th, however; no grants were approved for the eastern side of the state. Keith will keep the Board updated.

Local Share **Headworks/HVAC** Grant Project – Keith stated his staff is making headway. He is hoping to go out for bid next month and receive bids in January.

ARPA Small Water and Sewer **Collection System Rehab** Grant Project – Keith stated the manhole lining could be Spring of 2026.

ARPA H2O PA **Plant Upgrade** Grant Project – Working on this project. Keith stated this project will not happen until Summer or Fall of 2026.

Local Share **Sewage Pump Station Improvements NEW** Grant Project – Keith stated this grant was submitted on November 21, 2025.

Easement Plans/Right of Way Project – Working on this project.

Rouse Chamberlain development in West Nantmeal Twp. – Keith stated nothing new on this project.

STP generator and Pump Station #1 Backup Power – Keith stated he would like to run power from the plant to PS #1.

Solicitor's Report

Stephen Kalis stated he will prepare a Deed of Dedication for Tensor Motor Car Sewer Lateral.

Old Business

New Business

2026 Sewer Rates - Steve suggested tabling this until the December 30th meeting.

2026 Meeting Dates –the 2026 meeting dates were approved without any workshop meetings. The Board agreed if a workshop meeting is needed, they will advertise it at that time.

Admin Update

Lorrie advised the Board she has received requests from the residents for an online credit card payment system. Lorrie discussed eNetPay, which is the same company Elverson Water Co. uses. Lorrie stated there is no cost to MABE for this service and recommended MABE use this service as well. **Motion by Darrell Gibble seconded by Floyd Jennelle to approve setting up online payments through eNetPay. Motion carried by all.**

Steve advised the Board that Lorrie will be out of the office on Friday, November 28th.

The meeting adjourned at 7:56pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Lorrie Stolz

Next Scheduled MABE Board Meeting is **December 30, 2025, at 7:00pm.**