

Pocono Township Board of Commissioners  
Work Session Minutes

**DATE:** August 8, 2018  
**TIME:** 6:00 pm  
**PLACE:** Township Building  
**PRESIDING COMMISSIONER:** Jerry Lastowski  
**ROLL CALL:**

Harold Werkheiser - Absent  
Richard Wielebinski – Present  
Robert DeYoung – Absent  
Jerrod Belvin – Present

Also, present Leo DeVito, Township Solicitor, Jon Tressler – Township Engineer, B&J; Mike Gable-engineer, B&J; Patrick Briegel – Pocono Township Sewer Consultant; Donna Asure – Township Manager; Township Supervisors from Tobyhanna Township as well as Tobyhanna Township Manager and Assistant Manager, Township Engineer and Solicitor.

The work session was called to order at 6:03pm by President Lastowski with the Pledge of Allegiance.

There was no public comment.

The work session started off with a discussion on the growth Tobyhanna is experiencing and the need for additional sewer capacity.

Topics discussed were –

- The approved service area in the Act 537 Plan
- The approved allocations per the current MOU between Pocono and Tobyhanna Townships
- Tobyhanna’s need for additional allocation from Pocono for sewer service
- Tobyhanna Township’s interest in the rerate of the BCRA plant and assisting in completing this rerate

Pocono Township discussed with Tobyhanna what they had learned at the previous work session with BCRA – that there is a concern that Pocono cannot provide more capacity to Tobyhanna without BCRA’s involvement

Leo DeVito reported that he will be reviewing all documents tomorrow and will be discussing the claims of BCRA involvement with their solicitor.

Discussion turned to the extra capacity currently in the Pocono allocation of 2 million gallons per day. Numbers were prepared by Pocono’s consultants and they do believe there is excess capacity.

The Pocono BOC will need to decide what, if any, number of gallons they are comfortable with to offer to Tobyhanna Township as excess over the currently approved amount of 440,000 gallons.

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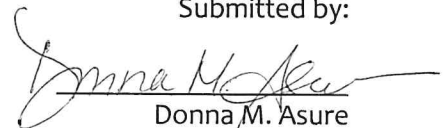
Tobyhanna Supervisors stated that time if of the essence and they would appreciate another meeting with Pocono and BCRA as soon as possible.

Another work session will be arranged very quickly.

There was no public comment.

The work session ended at 6:50pm.

Submitted by:



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Township Manager