

**Pocono Township Board of Commissioners
Sewer Committee Meeting Minutes
May 3, 2021**

The Sewer Committee meeting of the Pocono Township Commissioners was held on Monday, May 3, 2021 via remote teleconference and was opened by President Rich Wielebinski at 6:00 p.m., followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL: Jerrod Belvin, present; Ellen Gnandt, present; Gerald J. Lastowski, present; Keith Meeker, present; Rich Wielebinski, present.

IN ATTENDANCE: Leo DeVito, Twp. Solicitor, Broughal & Devito; Jon Tresslar, Twp. Engineer, Boucher & James, Inc.; Taylor Munoz, Township Manager; and Krisann Wean, Administrative Assistant.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

ANNOUNCEMENTS: None

HEARINGS: None

PRESENTATIONS: None

OLD BUSINESS

R. Wielebinski made a motion, seconded by K. Meeker, to approve the minutes of the April 5, 2021 sewer committee meeting. All in favor. Motion carried.

- Sewer Resolution Update. No update.

NEW BUSINESS

FINANCIAL TRANSACTIONS: None

APPEALS: None

REPORTS

COMMISSIONERS

- J. Lastowski inquired, if the Township decides to sell the piece of property next to Pump Station 5, whether it would ever be needed for the pump station.
- E. Gnandt asked for an update on the lateral project serving the existing sewer service area.

SEWER CONSULTANT

- Pump Station 5 jockey pump project – Contracts have been awarded for electrical and controls.
- Deferred Properties and properties with no lateral – Engineer was directed to move forward with a bid package to add laterals to areas in the service area not currently serviced by sewer. HOP approval was issued from PennDOT for the DCNR sewer lateral project and will now solicit proposals to complete the work. The Township has taken control of the lateral running from the DCNR property to the manhole along Route 611. The Township will connect into the line and provide a lateral to serve the Pipolo property.

- Delinquent accounts update – Three more properties are connecting, with an additional user who will be connecting and has been paying down their past-due balance. Delinquencies continue to decrease.
- Discussion regarding expansion of sewer service area – Another DEP meeting was held two weeks ago to address 11 pages of tasks required by DEP. BCRA asked to be part of the meetings to address concerns as to whether BCRA has the capacity for increased flow through the expansion.
- JB asked how many EDUs could be expected from Kalahari’s housing project. E. Gnanadt asked for an update on the EQ Tank Letter of Credit. L. DeVito is putting the finishing touches on the language and Kalahari remains on schedule with their engineering and construction timeline. It was confirmed that the amount for the LOC will be adjusted downward when the engineered cost estimate is provided.

ADMINISTRATION: No update

SEWER ENGINEER: No update

TOWNSHIP SOLICITOR: No further update

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

ADJOURNMENT

R, Wielebinski made a motion, seconded by E. Gnanadt, to adjourn the meeting at 6:20 p.m. All in favor. Motion carried.