

The regular meeting of Lehigh Township Municipal Authority was held on Thursday, September 3, 2026. Board members Steve Arnold, Carl Sharpe, Duane Deppe and Matt Motsko were present as were Audrey Karnaski, Ed Andres, Ken Fulford, Fred Ebert, Nicole Galio and Dave Getz. Board member Phil Gogel was absent. Chairman Arnold calls the meeting of order at 6:00 PM.

The minutes of the August 6, 2026 meeting were presented for approval. Carl Sharpe made a motion to approve the minutes as written. Duane Deppe seconded the motion. All voted aye. Motion carried.

On Public Comments, one resident asked what was done on the last meeting. Steve Arnold was we paid the bills, covered the old business from our engineer and operations manager then adjourned the meeting.

Dave Getz presented the financial report as below:

Sewer Operating:

Balance August 6, 2026		\$1,125,169.11
User Fees, Penalties, etc.	\$62,988.99	
Operating Expenses	\$43,111.64	
Loan to Water Operating	\$50,000.00	
Total Expenses	\$93,111.64	
Operating Acct. Balance		\$1,095,046.46
Asseets:		
Truist Money Market	\$150,041.84	
Total Available		\$1,245,089.41
Truist CDs	\$506,607.72	
Sewer Balance September 3, 2026		\$1,751,697.13

The balance of our delinquent sewer system customers as of September 3 is \$266,938.08.

Sewer Escrow:

Balance August 6,, 2026		\$ 41,089.61
Receipts	\$ 6,469.90	
Expenses	\$ 6,468.80	
Balance September 3, 2026		\$ 41,090.61

Hilltop Construction

Balance August 6, 2026		\$ 243,714.41
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Receipts – Jaendl	\$1,387,336.38	
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DCED Grant	\$ 887,411.00	
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Total Receipts	\$2,274,747.38	
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Expenses – Payments #2 & #3	\$1,331,050.79	
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Balance September 3, 2026		\$1,187,411.00
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Total Sewer Accounts September 3, 2026		\$2,980,198.74
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Water Operating:		\$ 26,516.64
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User Fees, Penalties, etc.	\$ 3,937.61	
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Loan from Sewer Operating	\$50,000.00	
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Total Receipts	\$53,937.61	
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Operating Expenses	\$ 1,685.59	
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Truist Loan Payment	\$ 5,480.82	
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Total Expenses	\$ 7,166.40	
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The balance of our delinquent water system customers as of September 3, 2026 is \$2,118.08.

Balance September 3, 2026		\$ 73,287.85
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On the Operations Report, Ken Fulford said he provided a copy of the letter sent to PA DEP concerning the Notice of Violations on the Danielsville WWTP. Ken said we have been getting several heavy rainfall which is causing issues with the new control program during instantaneous periods of high flow.

Ken said we would need equilization tanks on both ends of the WWTP. He recommends the Board allow Cowan Associates do a feasibility study analysis for installation of the equilization tanks. The Board agreed for Cowan to do the study.

On the Engineering Report, Audrey Karnaski said the standby generators at Wood Drive, Butternut Drive and Elm Road are in the final design stage with draft specifications anticipated for our October 1, 2026 meeting. The grant expiration date is 6/30/2029.

On the System Infiltration, Audrey said we had 17 rainfall events totaling 6,.36 inches at the Danielsville WWTP. She said there was a 25.46% difference from the Wood Drive Pump Station and the Danielsville WWTP.

On the Flow Monitoring on the two mobile home parks, there were no surcharges on the Mountain View Mobile Home Park but there were two days where the flows exceeded the allowable level causing a surcharge of \$335.04.

On the Northwoods Development, there were no further releases so there are still only five new homes being billed.

On the Hilltop Center, Audrey turned the meeting to Fred Ebert said Blooming Glen has submitted Payment Request No. 4 and a draft on Payment Request No. 5 for anticipated work though 9/16/26. Fred said he would like the Board to make a motion to authorize the reimbursement for Payment of No. 4 and No. 5 to CFA.

Steve Arnold made a motion to authorize the reimbursement and signing of Payment No. 4 and Payment No. 5 by September 15, 2026 subject to inspection of Cowan Associates. Carl Sharpe seconded the motion. All voted aye, Motion carried.

Mr. Ebert said they have found that the existing force main from the Pennsville Pump Station to the Pennsville WWTP was about 15' away from the original as-built drawings from SSM. Fred said he has scheduled another source to do soft digging to find exactly where the force main is. The Board agreed to have him do this.

Fred requested that LTMA pay the requested Payment No. 4. Steve Arnold made a motion to authorize Payment No. 4 in the amount of \$395,181.55. Carl Sharpe seconded the motion. All voted aye. Motion carried. Dave Getz will send a check for \$395,181.55 to Blooming Glen.

Fred said in the event of any problems before the October 1, 2026 meeting, he would like the Board to set up an emergency meeting. Atty. Andres said the emergency meeting would have to be advertised on the Township website 24 hours before the meeting to allow the public to attend. The date and the site of the meeting would have to be determined.

Back to the Engineers' Report, Audrey said EPA requires a submission of the DEP Baseline Inventory using data from Step 2/Step 3 by November 2027 on the Water Service Line project. Audrey said LTMA will have to check 49 homes that have not yet from inspected.

On the Chairman's Report, Steve Arnold said that he missed the last Supervisor's Meeting. He will provide an email concerning that and will talk to the Township Manager explaining it.

On the Solicitor's Report, Atty. Andres said that the Audit report from Frey and Co, will have to be approved at the next meeting once the actual Audit is completed.

There being no further business to conduct, Carl Sharpe made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Duane seconded the motion. All voted aye. The meeting was adjourned at 6:50 PM.