

**MEETING OF THE BOARD
THE WILKINSBURG-PENN JOINT WATER AUTHORITY
February 25, 2025**

ORDER OF BUSINESS

I Roll Call

II Pledge of Allegiance

III Public Comment Period

IV Approval of Meeting Minutes

Workshop Meeting Minutes of January 28, 2025
Regular Meeting Minutes of January 28, 2025

V Bills and Communications

- Award Contract 24-009 – Cline St. Wilkins Township Water Line Replacement

VI Report of Officers:

- Chairman
- Vice Chairman
- Secretary
- Treasurer

Ratification of expenditures from January 18, 2025, through February 18, 2025, in the amount of \$2,685,493.31. Electronic transfers have been included but are not reflected in the total. In addition, we will need authorization of expenditures through March 25, 2025.

VII Report of Committees

- Executive Committee
- Finance Committee
- Labor Committee
- Policy Committee
- Engineering Committee

VIII Consultants' Reports - Comments

- Consulting Engineer
- Solicitor

IX Report of Management

X Unfinished Business

XI New Business

XII Adjournment

**WILKINSBURG PENN JOINT WATER AUTHORITY
FEBRUARY 25, 2025**

ms consultants – MONTHLY ENGINEER’S REPORT

PENNVEST LEAD SERVICE LINE PROJECT – PHASE 2

75 replacements occurred since last update.

Attached is a summary for Phase 2 and provided a list of addresses completed for each municipality to the respective Board Member. As of February 19, 2025, 894 of 1,005 completed or approximately 89% after approximately 90% of calendar days. It should be noted that there have been several holidays and extreme cold weather since prior update.

PENNVEST LEAD SERVICE LINE PROJECT – PHASE 3

Loan close is still anticipated for March 20, 2025. Contract for Engineering was submitted.

606 letters were sent to customers. As of February 19, 2025, 444 were returned of which 155 included photos.

NADINE PUMP STATION PERMANGANATE ISSUE

Building and tanks placed. Piping to be completed for DEP certification. No change since prior update.

CONE VALVE REPLACEMENT

Cone valves were delivered to supplier north of Pittsburgh. Contractor completed submittals. Anticipate construction in next few weeks.

EAST MCKEESPORT TANK REPLACEMENT

Demolition of existing tank is planned for mid-March 2025.

SEDIMENTATION BASIN REHABILITATION

Basin No. 2 work completed. Inspection occurred on October 23, 2024 with no concerns. Basin No. 2 was restored to service. Work will stop likely until April 2025 when Basin No. 3 work will start. Work is temperature dependent. No change since prior update.

NADINE PUMP STATION VFD AND MOTOR REPLACEMENT

VFD and motor ordered and scheduled for summer 2025 delivery. No change since prior update.

PUMP NO. 2 REBUILD

Contractor removed upper casing, shafts and impellers during the week of January 27, 2025 to begin inspection phase of pump. Inspection was completed and Contractor provided recommended repairs during week of February 10, 2025. Currently evaluating proposed repairs and costs.

SUMP PUMP REPLACEMENT AT NADINE

Contractor is completing submittals. Waiting on sump pump delivery which is tracking for March 2025. No significant change since prior update.

NEGLEY AVENUE WATER LINE REPLACEMENT (WILKINS AND TURTLE CREEK)

Construction on hold. First half of project in Wilkins Township is complete except final paving.

WTP CHLORINE GENERATION

Meeting via Microsoft Teams occurred on February 12, 2025 with Duquesne Light Company (DLC). DLC noted 1,000 kVa transformer is on order with approximately one year delivery time.

Meeting via Microsoft Teams occurred on February 13, 2025 with People's Gas Company (Peoples). Peoples was going to use provided load tabulation to see if any portion of their system in Tyler Road would require upgrade. People's noted not expected as they did perform work in 2023. People's noted that the meter and regulator set would likely require replacement based on required flows.

Agreement on conceptual layout. Coordinating with Penn Hills on ADA and fire suppression requirements.

PITCAIRN TANK VFD

Electrical and piping work nearly complete. Pitcairn Electric will need to provide additional service. Pump station should be operational by end of March 2025.

CLINE STREET WATER LINE REPLACEMENT (WILKINS TOWNSHIP)

Bid opening occurred on February 18, 2025. Nine bids were submitted for Scope A (entire length). Nine bids were submitted for Scope B (reduced length). Bid tabs developed and shared. Recommend award of Scope A to Lawson Excavating, Inc.

EAST MCKEESPORT ASBESTOS WATER LINE REPLACEMENT (EAST MCKEESPORT)

Coordinating with East McKeesport about abandoned piping. Conceptual layouts were designed for replacement.

UNIVERSAL ROAD WATER LINE REPLACEMENT (PENN HILLS)

Allegheny County will be reconstructing roadway beginning spring 2026. Survey ongoing for 8" water line replacement bid package.

THE WILKINSBURG-PENN JOINT WATER AUTHORITY
REPORT OF MANAGEMENT

February 25, 2025

- Authorization to award Contract 24-009 – Cline St. in Wilkins Township Water Line Replacement to Lawson Excavating, the lowest responsible bidder, in the amount of \$1,177,845.00.
- Authorization for the Executive Director to sign PENNVEST Lead Service Replacement Settlement Agreement and related documents.
- Approval of Resolution 2025-01, Declaration of intent to reimburse Authority funds used to construct replacements to lead service lines with funds received from the Pennsylvania Infrastructure Investment Authority (PENNVEST).
- Approval of Resolution 2025-02, Declaration of intent to borrow a maximum principal loan of \$3,101,917.00 and a principal forgiveness loan in the amount of \$6,798,083.00 to construct replacements to lead service lines with funds received from the Pennsylvania Infrastructure Investment Authority (PENNVEST). Further authorize Charmon Simon to sign said Resolution.
- Approval to enter an agreement with ms consultants for program management of the PENNVEST Lead Service Line Replacement. Total compensation is estimated to be \$974,000. The agreement is 100% paid through the PENNVEST Lead Service Line Replacement Project.
- Approval to enter an agreement with Craig Alexander, Esquire, Law Offices of Craig H. Alexander, LLC, for professional service relating to the PENNVEST Lead Service Line Replacement. Total compensation is estimated to be \$25,000.
- UMBS Software Update – Number of notices exported from UMBS (1/21/2025-2/19/2025): 133 Termination/Shut off service orders completed, 3,848 Yellow notices produced, 574 Pink notices produced, 175 Payment agreements created. The UMBS Customer Self-Service is still on hold for delinquency issue cleanup and accounting audit needs. RosTech staff member, Pat Burns, was on site from 2/3/2025 to 2/7/2025 to work alongside WP staff members and Neptune Meter Technology representatives.
- The Customer Assistance Program through Dollar Energy has slowed down. We have received 73 applications, processed 72 applications (1 processed on our side just waiting on Dollar to process on their side). We have awarded \$6,329.00 (as of 2/19/2025). The program had \$44,504.00 starting funds and \$38,175.00 remaining current funds.
- There has been a total of 79 breaks since our January 28, 2025, meeting. Included in your packet is a breakdown by Municipality of all Distribution Work done during the last month.