

WORKSHOP MEETING MINUTES
May 12, 2014

The Workshop Meeting of the Lehigh County Authority was called to order at 12:04 p.m., on Monday, May 12, 2014, Chairman Asa Hughes presided with all other Board members in attendance via telephone conference. Other Members present at the commencement of the meeting were: Richard Bohner, Scott Bieber, Brian Nagle, and Norma Cusick. Authority Staff present were: Aurel Arndt, Frank Leist, Bradford Landon, Ed Bielarski, Liesel Adam, and Cristin Keppel.

Agenda Review

Mr. Arndt stated there would be one additional information item following the regular agenda.

Grant Application Authorization (Approval)

Mr. Arndt explained the Authority plans to apply for a PA Small Water and Sewer Program grant through the Commonwealth Financing Authority in regard to the wastewater system improvements for the Wynnewood Terrace system in North Whitehall Township, which application requirements include the passage of a resolution by the Board authorizing the filing of the application and designating those who are to sign documents.

Mr. Leist stated that this grant would allow for the Authority to finance the project and make improvements without having to raise rates to cover costs.

Mr. Landon explained the approval of a broadly written resolution is to hopefully eliminate submittal and approval of such a resolution every time a grant application is being considered. Some discussion followed.

Mr. Nagle asked that Staff keep the Board updated as to when grant applications are filed, disbursed, and closed out.

On a motion from Mr. Nagle, seconded by Ms. Cusick, the Board unanimously approved Resolution 5-2014-1, authorizing grant applications for Authority projects via roll call vote (5-0):

Richard Bohner - yes
Scott Bieber - yes
Brian Nagle - yes
Norma Cusick - yes
Asa Hughes - yes

Sanitary Sewer Overflow (SSO) Report

Mr. Nagle thanked Staff for the thorough report regarding the heavy rainfall and its effect on the system.

Some clarifications regarding manhole locations were given by Staff members.

There being no further business, the Chairman adjourned the meeting at 12:25 p.m.

Richard H. Bohner
Secretary