

Silver Lake Township Municipal Authority  
January 27, 2025

Board Members present: Paul Adams, Carl Speicher, Dale Tifft, and Julie Perlick. Also present, Robyn Walter, Michael Hester

Paul Adams called the re-organization meeting to order at 7:03 pm and appointed Carl Speicher as Temporary Chairperson.

Carl Speicher asked for a motion to appoint a Chairperson. Dale Tifft made a motion to appoint Paul Adams as Chairperson. Julie Perlick seconded. All approved.

Carl Speicher asked for a motion to appoint a Vice Chairperson. Julie Perlick made a motion to appoint Rick Holgash as Vice Chairperson, Paul Adams seconded. All approved.

Carl Speicher asked for a motion to appoint a Treasurer. Dale Tifft made a motion to appoint Carl Speicher as Treasurer, Julie Perlick seconded. All approved.

Carl Speicher asked for a motion to appoint a Vice Treasurer. Paul Adams made a motion to appoint Dale Tifft as Vice Treasurer, Julie Perlick seconded. All approved.

Carl Speicher asked for a motion to appoint a Secretary. Dale Tifft made a motion to appoint Julie Perlick as Secretary, Paul Adams seconded. All approved.

Carl Speicher asked for a motion to end the reorganization meeting. Paul Adams made the motion and Dale Tifft seconded. All were in favor.

Paul Adams called the regular meeting to order at 7:09 pm.

Julie Perlick made a motion to appoint NBT as our bank and depository, the Susquehanna Independent as the paper that our advertisements and notices will be published in, Jon Foster as our solicitor, Piaker and Lyons as our auditor, Milnes as our engineer, and for meetings to be held on the fourth Monday of the month at the Township building at 7:00 pm. The Board discussed whether there was a more convenient time for the meeting. After brief discussion, Dale Tifft seconded the motion, amending the meeting time to 6:00 pm. All were in favor.

Paul Adams asked for a motion for the appointment of Operator. Julie Perlick made a motion to appoint Hester Waste Water Services as Operator of the SLTMA. Dale Tifft seconded. All approved.

Paul Adams asked for a motion for the appointment of Technician. Dale Tifft made a motion to appoint Joe Hester as Technician. Carl Speicher seconded. All approved.

No changes to the agenda.

No business from the floor.

Unfinished business- Grant Path Forward status – The prototype from Site Specific was installed at Carl Speicher's property. Milnes would like to do another installation to make sure that all will go as planned. Mike Hester and the Board will look for another property that would be a good test site. Robyn Walter said that she will contact Mick Goodwin at Milnes to see when the second installation will happen. She will also contact Kevin Callahan from Site Specific to make sure that everything we need

will be on COSTARS when the time comes. The Board discussed that unfortunately, the grant will not cover as much as we had hoped to accomplish. Plans for seeking more grants in the future, possibly State grants, to continue this project and further maintenance were discussed.

Julie Perlick gave the Report of the Secretary- The Operator's report from December to January was received; Coordinator's report was received. Also received were: notice of three PA Rural Water Association training offerings; notice from PA 811 about safe digging month; and a notice of a price increase from Microbac.

Dale Tift made a motion to approve the minutes from the November 2024 meeting as there was no December meeting held. Carl Speicher seconded. All approved.

Carl Speicher gave the Report of the Treasurer – Part of the finance committee met. Rents year to date are at \$196,000 compared to \$161,000 last year. Our operating income is \$13,300 and was \$3,300 last year at this time. We have \$171,800 in cash presently and had \$182,500 last year at this time. Mr. Speicher also stated that our attorney fees have increased, due to the grant. Utility expenses are also up. Robyn Walter opened the bank account for the grant and is keeping a separate spread sheet for all grant costs. Finally, it was discussed that we will need to come up with the rent price for this year soon.

Julie Perlick made a motion to pay the current bills and ratify payment from December 2024. Carl Speicher seconded. All approved.

Report of the Coordinator – submitted electronically.

Robyn Walter gave the Report of Customer Service – Mrs. Walter stated that things have been slow. There have been a few customer issues that have been easily handled. 1099s have been completed.

The Operator report covering December 21, 2024 to January 23, 2025 was submitted electronically. The report mentioned a blower motor that had burned out. A Baldor replacement motor is \$2,256 delivered. Dale Tift made a motion for Mr. Hester to purchase and install the motor. Carl Speicher seconded. All approved. The Board also gave approval for Mike Hester to contact Milnes to complete the annual Chapter 94 reports. Additionally, Mr. Hester stated that ammonia was within permitted limits for both lagoons, but is so far testing high this month and will likely be over the limit for January, due to the cold.

New business – Julie Perlick suggested that an executive session be held in the upcoming months to discuss personnel structure.

As there was no further business to discuss, Carl Speicher made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Dale Tift seconded, all approved. The meeting was adjourned at 7:43 pm.