## UPPER MONTGOMERY JOINT AUTHORITY MINUTES OF MAY 13th, 2025 BOARD MEETING

The regular monthly meeting of the Board of Directors of the Upper Montgomery Joint Authority was held on Tuesday May 13th, 2025 in the office of the Plant Administration Building, Mensch Dam Road, Pennsburg, Pennsylvania.

#### I. CALL TO ORDER

Mr. Ingram, Chair called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

- II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
- III. MOMENT OF SILENCE FOR THE MEN & WOMEN SERVING IN HARM'S WAY
- IV. ROLL CALL

Donna Paul, Secretary, called the roll. The following board members were present:

William Ingram
Ryan Pugh
Donna Paul
Leon Ritchey
Gregory Gaudreau
Kimberly Gery

#### Also, in attendance were:

Jennifer Leister, Executive Director Gregory Philips, Picardi, Philips & Ottaviano Solicitor Jamie Lorah, SSM Group

V. VISITORS

None.

#### VI. CHAIR AND PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

Mr. Ingram informed the board that he, along with Gregory Gaudreau, Jennifer Leister, and Greg Philips, met on May 7th, 2025, to discuss the Design Build Agreement for the Biosolids Project.

#### VII. MINUTES APPROVAL

Mr. Ingram noted the Minutes of the April 8th, 2025 meeting had been distributed previously and are presented tonight for approval. Mr. Ingram asked if there were any corrections to the minutes. Mr. Pugh moved to approve the minutes and Mr. Ritchey seconded the motion. The Minutes were approved unanimously.

#### VIII. TREASURER AND INTEREST REPORTS

The board reviewed the Treasurer's Report (copy of which is attached hereto). A motion was made by Mr. Pugh to accept the Treasurer's Report. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Paul and it was unanimously approved.

#### IX. FINANCIAL REPORTS

The Financial Reports were circulated for review and discussed.

#### X. BILLS FOR PAYMENT

Mr. Pugh made a motion to approve the listed monthly bills that were paid prior to the meeting, because their due dates fall between meetings, and those that are currently due. Mrs. Paul seconded the motion and it was approved.

#### XI. ENGINEER'S REPORT

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#### XII. SOLICITOR'S REPORT

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#### XIII. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REPORT

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#### XIV. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None.

#### XV. NEW BUSINESS

Mrs. Leister raised a suggestion regarding the implementation of a deduct meter policy for residents. She noted that with the upcoming season of pool filling and gardening, this could be a beneficial initiative to help residents manage their water expenses. The board will consider how to implement the policy and will discuss at the June meeting.

### Action Item: Resolution 2025-10 presented for the board's discussion and vote

Mr. Pugh made a motion to approve Resolution 2025-10 providing for the imposition of connection fees. Customer facilities fees and tapping fees upon property owners who connect or are required to connect to the sanitary sewer system operating by the Upper Montgomery Joint Authority. Mrs. Gery seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved.

#### Action Item: Resolution 2025-11 presented for the board's discussion and vote

Mr. Pugh made a motion to approve Resolution 2025-11 modifying the rates charged for public sewer. Mrs. Gery seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved.

XVI. ADDITIONAL BUSINESS

None.

XVII. ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Pugh made a motion to adjourn the meeting.

Mr. Ingram adjourned the public meeting at 7:56 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Secretary (Assistant Secretary)

## **Upper Montgomery Joint Authority**

Meeting Date

May 13, 2025

Treasurer's Report - Account Balances as of

April 30, 2025

## **QNB Accounts**

Account Name	last 4 digits of acct #	Beginning Balance	Deposits	Service Fees	Withdraws	Interest Earned	Ending Balance
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Operating Checking	1284	43,338.71	173,963.39		(177,200.44)	17.21	40,118.87
Special Checking	1300	21,236.12	145,488.68		(145,488.68)	17.76	21,253.88
Rental Income	4741	480.86	187,681.23		(187,681.23)		480.86
Rental - Credit Card Income	2050	163.56	109,933.38		(109,933.38)	5.71	169.27
Revenue Fund	0478	377,363.20	348,276.94		(411,214.56)	211.92	314,637.50
Bond Redemption	0486	498.75				0.20	498.95
Depreciation Reserve	0494	5,797.03	5,475.00			4.47	11,276.50
Debt Service Fund	0544	557,909.27	100,663.67		(5,000.00)	721.18	654,294.12
Debt Service Reserve Fund	0551_	1,212,109.76				1,384.79	1,213,494.55
Totals		\$ 2,218,897.26	\$ 1,071,482.29	\$ -	\$ (1,036,518.29)	\$ 2,363.24	\$ 2,256,224.50

#### **QNB Escrow Accounts**

Account Name	last 4 digits of acct #	Beginning Balance	Deposits	Service Fees	Withdraws	Interest Earned	<b>Ending Balance</b>
Fox Clearing (Glenwood Chase)	0627	43,804.86			(494.18)	28.56	43,339.24
Perkiomen School	0635	2,291.52				0.94	2,292.46
Jefferson Street O&M	0676	29,801.02				19.60	29,820.62
P&B Partitions	0684	1,366.28				0.56	1,366.84
Lateral Projects	0734	4,450.03			(4,039.20)	0.56	411.39
Craig Building Group	4504	1,279.39				0.52	1,279.91
Stonegate	6400	6,245.25			(499.91)	2.41	5,747.75
Arlington Subdivision	6459	4,520.70				1.86	4,522.56
NB at Deerfield LLC	7747	14,165.38			(3,995.52)	5.02	10,174.88
189 Main St Assoc LP	7853	8,150.69				3.35	8,154.04
Creekside (Forestar)	7804	3,374.20			(42.00)	1.38	3,333.58
Creekside (Forestar) Construction	7812	59,235.22				55.70	59,290.92
Sands Bros. Partnership LP	8562	1,667.78		(10.00)	(305.37)	0.59	1,353.00
	\$	180,352.32	\$ -	\$	(9,376.18)	\$ 121.05	\$ 171,087.19

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Ryan Pugh, Treasurer

INCOME		2024-2025 Budget	7	Total to Date	%	April	March	February
Grant	354.04		\$	7,316.00			\$ 7,316.00	
Rentals	364.10	3,915,000.00	\$	3,910,513.77	100% \$	294,051.21	\$ 367,060.56	\$ 290,976.05
EDU's	364.20		\$	177,865.00	\$	29,846.00		\$ 29,486.00
Certifications	364.30	7,000.00	\$	7,105.00	102% \$	420.00	\$ 385.00	\$ 455.00
Laterals	364.40	25,000.00	\$	93,290.00	373% \$	2,700.00	\$ 7,125.00	\$ 4,975.00
Other Income	364.50		\$	18,468.83	\$	18,323.93		
Inspections	364.60		\$	-				
Legal Fee Reimbursement	364.70		\$	-				
FOG Program	364.80		\$	1,000.00	\$	175.00	\$ 300.00	
Interest Income	341.10	18,000.00	\$	27,840.36	155% \$	2,363.80	\$ 2,216.04	\$ 2,036.35
Cell Tower Income	342.53	26,000.00	\$	29,714.24	114% \$	2,505.13	\$ 2,505.13	\$ 2,505.13
TOTAL MONTHLY INCOME	\$	3,991,000.00	\$	4,273,113.20	107% \$	350,385.07	\$ 386,907.73	\$ 330,433.53

Ryan Pugh, Treasurer

\$ 85,015.66

**Meeting Date** 

Treasurer's Cash Report - Payroll - April 2025

## **Payroll - EFT transfers**

(Automatic withdraw)

Pay Date Check #	NAME & DESCRIPTION	Account	AMOUNT
4/3/2025 EFT	Salaries (Net)	426.10	\$ 12,657.30
4/3/2025 EFT	Payroll taxes	201.50	\$ 5,154.48
4/3/2025 EFT	QuickBooks Fee	400.11	\$ 52.25
	TOTAL		\$ 17,864.03
4/10/2025 EFT	Salaries (Net)	426.10	\$ 13,171.93
4/10/2025 EFT	Payroll taxes	201.50	\$ 5,506.28
4/10/2025 EFT	QuickBooks Fee	400.11	\$ 52.25
	TOTAL		\$ 18,730.46
4/17/2025 EFT	Salaries (Net)	426.10	\$ 13,725.45
4/17/2025 EFT	Payroll taxes	201.50	\$ 5,391.21
4/17/2025 EFT	QuickBooks Fee	400.11	\$ 52.25
	TOTAL		\$ 19,168.91
4/24/2025 EFT	Salaries (Net)	426.10	\$ 19,793.36
4/24/2025 EFT	Payroll taxes	201.50	\$ 9,406.65
4/24/2025 EFT	QuickBooks Fee	400.11	\$ 52.25
	TOTAL		\$ 29,252.26

**TOTAL EFT Transfers for month** 

Ryan M. Pugh, Treasurer/Kimberly Gery, Asst Treasurer

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## **MONTHLY ENGINEER'S REPORT**

## **Upper Montgomery Joint Authority**

Reporting Period: April 9, 2025 to May 13, 2025

SSM File: 110328.2025

Submitted by: Jamie D. Lorah, P.E.

Client Representative

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To: Jennifer Leister, Executive Director and Board Members

Here is our Monthly Engineer's Report ("MER") for use at your May 13th Authority Meeting.

#### 1. Miscellaneous Services (.2024)

- RECAP: The *PA Small Water & Sewer Grant Application* was approved by the CFA in the amount of \$423,576.<sup>60</sup> for the *Lateral Lining and Rehabilitation Project: East Greenville & Pennsburg;* the Authority's contribution is expected to be \$74,749.<sup>50</sup>. This work is still underway. We are awaiting additional invoices for submission of reimbursement applications. New grant information is provided below.
- **RECAP:** Grants were received for the *Pennsburg Pump Station Improvements* to include the cost of the new Generator and installation, as well as the *Manhole Rehabilitation Project* to include a project scope of up to \$79,000. A Grant Application was submitted for the SCADA improvements at this Pump Station as well (as Phase II)

#### 2. Glenwood Chase Development (.0004)

• UPDATE: SSM has inspected the installation of the house laterals and cleanouts, as needed. At this time, all 45 laterals have been inspected and have passed inspection. We recommend televising again prior to taking ownership of this system. According to the Project Manager, the site has not yet been re-seeded, but they intend to do that, possibly with a Winter Rye grass. They were also reminded that the utility pins need to be provided for the pump station property. Partial information was provided to the Solicitor for the dedication agreement.

#### 3. Developer Review – Stonegate/6th Street (.0005)

- **RECAP:** A set of Plans was previously reviewed, and comments were provided to the developer. The developer wishes to add a section of sewer line that will need to be dedicated to the Authority, and a section of the development will be tied into the existing, lined pipe.
- **UPDATE:** The escrow cost opinion was revised by Ludgate and has been submitted for use in the Improvements Agreement. The CMP was previously updated in order to get Planning Module approval by the PA DEP.

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#### 4. Developer Review - Kershner Tract/Creekside Village (.0011)

- RECAP: Construction work started on February 3, 2025 to include the sewer connections of the four (4) single family homes along Hendricks Road; this work is expected to continue until the Summer of 2025. The Pump Station permit was modified, and upgrades include the installation of VFDs for soft-starts to the existing pumps. A total of 65 units are to be installed on this site.
- UPDATE: At least 35 laterals have been installed to date (to the cleanout), and the modification was made to the influent manhole. Manhole encapsulation was missing, but was told it is needed; this was added to the ten (10) manholes that have been installed.

#### 5. Developer Review - Craig Building Group (.0024)

• **RECAP:** The Plan Set is proposing a grinder station with a connection along W. 4<sup>th</sup> Street. The developer intends to install an 8" diameter sewer line meeting the Authority's design requirements for dedication to the Authority. Planning was previously waived by PA DEP.

#### 6. 2023 LSA Grant Applications (.0025)

• UPDATE: Compiled and sent Reimbursement No. 2 to DCED for their review to include updated payroll and signature for the Lateral Lining and Rehabilitation Project: East Greenville & Pennsburg. We also began processing the reimbursement for the Pennsburg Pump Station Generator purchase (deposit), but we are awaiting additional information from Brian Martin.

#### 7. Developer Review – Montgomery Ave./Deerfield (.0026)

• UPDATE: Construction work began in December with the connection of the sewer main to the Authority's manhole along Montgomery Ave. This development is expected to include 38 twin dwellings, 5 single family dwellings, and the connection of 2 existing dwellings for a total of 45 EDUs. Work has been in progress for the past 4 months (on and off), and they have installed at least ten (10) manholes, some sewer main, and at least 35 capped laterals (to the cleanouts). Sewer mains between manholes 1.1 and 2.4 have now passed testing as well.

#### 8. Developer Review – 400 Main Street (.0028)

• RECAP: The Planning Module exemption was denied for this development, which is expected to include 25 EDUs, including apartments to be installed within a commercial building. A plan has been received and was reviewed this past month. The Planning Module was finalized and transmitted to the Developer's engineer. There are currently no updates.

#### 9. Developer Review – 5th Street/Arlington (.0030)

• **RECAP:** The Developer had submitted plans for two (2) homes to be constructed on a property along 5<sup>th</sup> Street in East Greenville. As part of this project, a sewer main extension may be installed from Washington Street northward. Plans were submitted to propose a much shorter sewer line extension as an alternate design, with a low pressure force main to be provided to one of the two

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properties. This is primarily due to a "dip" in the elevation. This Plan was formally reviewed in November, and a review letter was submitted to the Authority and the developer.

UPDATES: Review Letter No. 2 was submitted this past month. A survey was sent out to the surrounding homeowners to assess interest in connecting to the sewer main in order to determine if an extension is needed. So far, two properties have responded and have waived connection.

#### 10. 2024 LSA Grant Applications (.0031)

- The following Grant Applications were submitted by the November 30th deadline:
  - (1) Graber & Bitting Alley Lateral Rehabilitation Project, which is proposed to be performed in Red Hill and Pennsburg Boroughs. The total project cost is \$1,132,228.00 and includes the rehabilitation of 203 sanitary laterals utilizing LMK lining technology. The Authority's contribution would be \$132,228.00. This is to be re-submitted under the PA Small Water and Sewer Grant.
  - (2) An LSA Grant Application in the amount of \$52,178.00.00 for the Vehicle and Equipment Purchase for the purchase of a scissor lift, a UV34 Gas Utility Vehicle, and a truck bed. This is to be re-submitted under the PA Small Water and Sewer Grant.
  - (3) Red Hill Gun Club Pump Station Improvements in the amount of \$131,989.00 for the furnishing and installation of a new diesel generator and upgrade of the existing SCADA control panel. This is to be re-submitted under the PA Small Water and Sewer Grant.
  - (4) 2025 2026 WWTP Project in the amount of \$452,144.00. This project involves improvements to the Authority's Wastewater Treatment Plant to include the retrofit of the Primary Clarifier, installation of a heating and ventilation system in the Authority's Compressor Room, the purchase and installation of actuators for use in the biological treatment process, and necessary security upgrades at the plant. This is to be re-submitted under the PA Small Water and Sewer Grant.
  - (5) WWTP Centrifuge Replacement in the amount of \$748,072.00 for the furnishing and installation of a new centrifuge to replace the existing one.
  - (6) WWTP Generator PLC and SCADA Integration in the amount of \$115,770.00. This project includes the replacement of the Wastewater Treatment Plant PLC for remote startup during critical power outage events. Additionally, the system will need to be integrated into the plant's existing SCADA system. This is to be re-submitted under the PA Small Water and Sewer Grant.
  - (7) East Greenville Borough State, Valley, and 4th Street Sanitary Sewer Lateral and Manhole Rehabilitation in the amount of \$967,815.00. This project includes the lining and rehabilitation of approximately 172 sewer laterals and 36 manholes in the areas of State Street, Valley Street, Forge Road, and 4th Street in the western portion of East Greenville Borough. This is to be re-submitted under the PA Small Water and Sewer Grant.

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(8) Lateral Lining and Rehabilitation Project – East Greenville and Pennsburg Boroughs in the amount of \$1,000,000.00 with a total project cost \$1,019,701.00. This project includes the rehabilitation and lining of 186 sewer laterals within East Greenville and Pennsburg Boroughs, as well as cured-in-place (CIPP) lining of 549 Linear Feet (LF) of sanitary sewer main line in the Boroughs. This is to be re-submitted under the PA Small Water and Sewer Grant.

#### 11. 2025 NPDES Permit Renewal and DRBC Docket Renewal (.0032)

• **RECAP:** SSM is currently in the process of finalizing the NPDES Permit Application (due by August 4<sup>th</sup>) for submission to the PA DEP. This is due June 30, 2025, but this process is well underway. The DRBC Docket renewal was finalized and submitted to the DRBC by the March 30, 2025 deadline.

#### 12. Developer Review – 134 W. Eighth Street (.0033)

• **UPDATE:** Plan Review No. 2 letter was submitted for the plans associated with the garage connection. The Developer will need to obtain easements across private property. SSM provided responses to the Developer's questions associated with the easement last month; the easements are the only remaining item for approval. There are currently no updates.

#### 13. 2025 PA Small Water and Sewer Grants (.0036)

The following PA Small Water and Sewer Grant Applications will be submitted by the April 30<sup>th</sup> deadline following Board approval:

- (1) A resubmittal of the *Vehicle and Equipment Purchase* grant for the purchase of a scissor lift, a UV34 Gas Utility Vehicle, and a truck body in the amount of \$45,352.00.
- (2) A resubmittal of the *Red Hill Gun Club Pump Station Improvements* in the amount of \$129,471.00 for the furnishing and installation of a new diesel generator and upgrade of the existing SCADA control panel. This is to be re-submitted under the *PA Small Water and Sewer Grant*.
  - (a) UPDATE: The grant analyst reached out requesting additional information on the application. The required details were provided and no further action is required.
- (3) A resubmittal of the 2025 2026 WWTP Project grant in the amount of \$399,517.00. This project involves improvements to the Authority's Wastewater Treatment Plant to include the retrofit of the Primary Clarifier, installation of a heating and ventilation system in the Authority's Compressor Room, the purchase and installation of actuators for use in the biological treatment process, and necessary security upgrades at the plant.
- (4) The submittal of the *Pennsburg Pump Station Improvements Phase II* grant in the amount of \$90,437.00 for the replacement of the existing SCADA system, the SCADA control panels, new VFDs for the pumps and float replacement.

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- (5) A resubmittal of the *WWTP Generator PLC and SCADA Integration* in the amount of \$98,407.<sup>60</sup>. This project includes the replacement of the Wastewater Treatment Plant PLC for remote start-up during critical power outage events. Additionally, the system will need to be integrated into the plant's existing SCADA system.
- (6) East Greenville Borough Colonial Drive Lateral Rehabilitation in the amount of \$393,625.00, which includes the lining and rehabilitation of approximately 39 sewer laterals on Colonial Drive.
- (7) East Greenville Borough Valley, Forge and 4th Streets Lateral Rehabilitation in the amount of \$425,000.00, which includes the lining and rehabilitation of approximately 46 sewer laterals on these streets.
- (8) East Greenville Borough Hamilton, Blaker, State and 3<sup>rd</sup> Streets Lateral Rehabilitation in the amount of \$395,633.00, which includes the lining and rehabilitation of approximately 49 sewer laterals on these streets.

Please do not hesitate to contact us should you have any questions or comments on the above, or if additional information is needed. Thank you.

Respectfully submitted, Spotts, Stevens and McCoy

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#### MAY 13, 2025

## Agenda Item XIV

#### UPPER MONTGOMERY JOINT AUTHORITY Solicitor's Report for April 2025

- 1. Personnel.
  - a. <u>Benefits</u>. Nothing new to report.
- 2. Collection of Delinquent Accounts. Mr. Philips worked to collect outstanding debts on the following accounts:
  - a. <u>Delinquency Reports</u>. Review emails from staff regarding delinquencies. Draft email to staff.
  - b. <u>Hansell</u>. Review Bankruptcy email from the U.S. Trustee regarding dismissal of Bankruptcy Case.
  - c. 1004 Cedar Leas Court. Nothing new to report...
  - d. <u>1007 Cedar Lea Court</u>. Nothing new to report.
  - e. <u>1013 Cedar Lea Court</u>. Nothing new to report.
  - 3. Development Plans.
    - a. <u>5<sup>th</sup> Street Development</u>. Review email and updated plans. Draft email to E. Greenville Solicitor regarding easements
    - b. <u>6<sup>th</sup> Street Development</u>. Mr. Philips reviewed emails from Developer's Solicitor and respond.

- c. <u>Creekside Village (Formerly Kershner)</u>. Nothing New to report.
- d. <u>Deerfield (Montgomery Avenue) Subdivision.</u> Nothing New to report.
- e. <u>Glenwood Chase</u>. Nothing New to Report.
- f. 117 E. Sixth Street. The property was sold at Sheriff's Sale to conclude a mortgage foreclosure. Mr. Philips prepared a municipal claim and filed it against the property to ensure that the Authority was paid. The Schedule of Distribution was issued and the Authority will be paid from the proceeds of the Sheriff's Sale.
- g. <u>134 W. 8<sup>th</sup> Avenue (Sands Ford)</u>. Mr. Philips reviewed emails from the Developer's Engineer and Borough.
- 4. General Counsel Services.
  - a. <u>990 Macoby Street</u>. Review documents regarding the sink hole that developed in the area of a water and sewer line.
  - b. <u>Draft Resolutions 2025-02 through 2012</u>. Mr. Philips prepared resolutions to obtain Pa Small water and Sewer Grants and update the debt collection fees to be charged by the Authority.
  - c. <u>Tapping Fees</u>. Mr. Philips worked with Mrs. Leister regarding the tapping fees. Mr. Philips reviewed Dave Busch's report. Prepare resolutions for tapping fees and increased sewer rates.
  - d. Glenwood Chase Excessive Water Use. Mr. Philips worked with Ms. Leister regarding the excessive water charges being used by the residents. Mr. Philips prepared enforcement letters and requested the residents to purchase additional EDUs of capacity based on their water usage. Mr. Philips spoke with a number of residents and suggested that they enter the water deduct meter program.
  - e. <u>Biosolids Project</u>. Mr. Philips continued to work with Mrs. Leister regarding this project. Mr. Philips reviewed the design build documents provided by Worth & Co. Mr. Philips prepared redline changes to the documents for review by the Worth.
  - f. Solar Energy Panels. Nothing new to report.

Respectfully submitted,

Gregory W. Philips, Esquire Picardi Philips & Ottaviano Upper Montgomery Joint Authority Solicitor



#### **UPPER MONTGOMERY JOINT AUTHORITY**

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REPORT
May 13th, 2025

#### **Treatment Plant Information**

Rainfall: 5.55"

There were no Sanitary Sewer Overflow (SSO) events or plant violations reported during the month of April.

#### Primary Clarifier Repairs:

Primary Clarifier T3B experienced minor structural issues involving several broken welds on the skimmer arms. Upon identification of the problem, the clarifier was promptly taken out of service, drained, and thoroughly cleaned by the operations team to facilitate inspection and repair work. On May 8, 2025, Worth and Company completed the necessary structural repairs to the affected skimmer arms. The clarifier is now prepared to be returned to service pending final inspection and operational checks.

#### Dryer Update:

The dryer has continued to operate within normal parameters, consistently yielding an estimated 3 to 4 dry tons of product per week. While the overall system performance has remained stable, minor operational issues have been noted, but have not impacted on production targets. However, the loadout conveyor which is responsible for transporting the finished product to the bagging station has exhibited significant wear over the past several months. This degradation poses a potential risk to ongoing production efficiency and reliability. In response, the operations team is actively evaluating a range of temporary repair solutions to mitigate further deterioration and maintain uninterrupted product output. These measures are intended as interim solutions while longer-term repair or replacement options are assessed in the upcoming project.

#### Solar Update:

The last 2-months SRE has been working on the NPDES permit with the County (land disturbance permit). They had a pre-submission meeting with the county about 30-days ago, which cleaned up several comments. They officially submitted earlier this week, and should be getting 2<sup>nd</sup> round of comments by 6/15 roughly. They are expecting NPDES permit approval by 8/31, and then we would be getting the building permit after that.

Ideally, they are hoping to be breaking ground in October and will rush to get system fully constructed before end of this year, if possible.

#### **Committee Information/Safety**

On May 9, 2025, UMJA staff held a scheduled safety meeting focused on **Hand Truck Safety**. The session covered proper handling techniques, potential hazards, and best practices for safe equipment use to prevent workplace injuries. Participation and engagement were noted, reinforcing UMJA's ongoing commitment to staff safety and operational awareness.

#### **Community Outreach**

On April 10, 2025, UMJA staff participated in the annual Perkiomen Watershed Stream Clean up. This community driven event focused on the removal of litter and debris from local waterways to support environmental health and watershed sustainability. UMJA's involvement reflects its ongoing commitment to community service and environmental stewardship.

On May 1, 2025, UMJA hosted its annual Bird Town Walk as part of its ongoing community engagement and environmental awareness efforts. The event was well-received, with a total of nine participants in attendance. Attendees enjoyed a guided walk focused on local bird species, habitat awareness, and conservation topics.

#### **Collection System**

Pennsburg Pump station – No odor complaints in the month of April. The odor control system has been put in service.

Repairs to the discharge pipe at the Colonial Village Pump Station were successfully carried out on April 14th and 15th, 2025. Worth and Company performed the work, restoring the system to full operational status. No further issues have been reported since the repair.

#### Escrows

None opened or closed

#### **Property Transfer Lateral Inspections**

*Inspections:* Pass = 2; Fail = 6

**Re-Inspections:** Pass = 2; Fail = 0

*Property Inspections:* Pass = 0; Fail = 1