

UPPER MONTGOMERY JOINT AUTHORITY
MINUTES OF JULY 8th, 2025 BOARD MEETING

The regular monthly meeting of the Board of Directors of the Upper Montgomery Joint Authority was held on Tuesday July 8th, 2025 in the office of the Plant Administration Building, Mensch Dam Road, Pennsburg, Pennsylvania.

I. EXECUTIVE SESSION

None.

II. CALL TO ORDER

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

III. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

IV. MOMENT OF SILENCE FOR THE MEN & WOMEN SERVING IN HARM'S WAY

V. 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 - absent

Also, in attendance were:

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

VI. VISITORS

Daryl Peck – Concord Financial
Rose Weischedel and Linda Moore – Upper Perkiomen Manor

VII. CHAIR AND PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

Mr. Ingram informed the board that he, Jennifer Leister, Greg Philips, and Steve Miller from Worth and Company, Inc. met on July 7, 2025, to discuss the contract terms of the Biosolids Project.

Additionally, Mr. Ingram and Jennifer Leister had a meeting with Ed Zalewski from Sherwood Logan & Associates to discuss material pricing for the project. Mr. Zalewski confirmed that most manufacturers have agreed to hold their pricing through August 2025, allowing UMJA to finalize the contract details.

Visitors Rose Weischedel and Linda Moore, representing Upper Perkiomen Manor, addressed the Board to request relief on their quarterly invoice, which is approximately \$16,000.00. Upper Perkiomen Manor is a non-profit apartment complex serving low-income elderly residents. They reported that, following previous discussions with Mrs. Leister, all 100 apartment units were inspected for leaks and identified only 7, which have since been repaired. Mrs. Leister added that the Manor is currently being billed for 100 EDU's (Equivalent Dwelling Units), which significantly contributes to the overall cost. Mr. Ingram thanked Ms. Weischedel and Ms. Moore for bringing their concerns forward and stated that UMJA staff will conduct a review to determine whether any relief or adjustments may be appropriate.

Biosolids Financing Update: Daryl Peck of Concord Financial presented loan proposals to the Board in connection with the Biosolids Project. Mr. Peck reviewed a total of twelve proposals, including three fixed-rate options and nine fixed/variable-rate options. After evaluating the terms and conditions of each, he recommended that the Board consider the proposal submitted by QNB Bank.

Mr. Gaudreau made a motion to approve the QNB Bank Proposal. Mr. Ritchey seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved.

Action Item: Resolution 2025-13 is presented for the board's discussion and vote.

Mr. Philips presented Resolution 2025-13 Authorizing Financing for the Biosolids Project on behalf of Eckerd Siemens for consideration. Mr. Pugh made a motion to approve Resolution 2025-13 and Mrs. Paul seconded the motion. It was unanimously approved.

VIII. MINUTES APPROVAL

Mr. Ingram noted the Minutes of the June 10th, 2025 meeting had been distributed previously and are presented tonight for approval. Mr. Ingram asked if there were any corrections to the minutes. Mrs. Paul moved to approve the minutes and Mr. Pugh seconded the motion. The Minutes were approved unanimously.

X. 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 Mr. Ritchey and it was unanimously approved.

XI. FINANCIAL REPORTS

The Financial Reports were circulated for review and discussed.

XII. 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. Mr. Ritchey seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved.

XIII. ENGINEER'S REPORT

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XIV. SOLICITOR'S REPORT

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XV. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REPORT

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XVI. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Mrs. Leister continued the discussion regarding the implementation of a deduct meter policy for residents. With the recommendation from SSM Group, she presented the board with proposed specifications and installation requirements that the board can take into consideration. Following discussion, the Board agreed to move forward with implementing the new deduct meter policy at the August 12, 2025 Board meeting. This new policy will be formalized through a Resolution that will include changes to the Fee Schedule.

Mrs. Leister presented information to the board regarding the implementation of Automated Clearing House (ACH) payments. She noted that many vendors have begun charging a 3% fee on credit card transactions. Combined with rising postage costs, costs associated with reissue of checks, issuing payments by check has become increasingly expensive. Mrs.

Leister explained that QNB Bank offers ACH services with minimal setup fees and emphasized that ACH is a secure method of payment. Following discussion, the Board agreed to proceed with the implementation of ACH payments.

XVII. NEW BUSINESS

None.

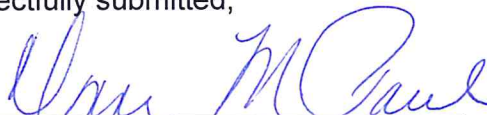
XVIII. ADDITIONAL BUSINESS

None.

XIX. ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Pugh made a motion to adjourn the meeting.
Mr. Ingram adjourned the public meeting at 9:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,


Secretary (Assistant Secretary)

Upper Montgomery Joint Authority

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Meeting Date

July 08, 2025

Treasurer's Report - Account Balances as of

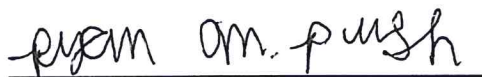
June 30, 2025

QNB Accounts

Account Name	last 4 digits of acct #	Beginning Balance	Deposits	Service Fees	Withdraws	Interest Earned	Ending Balance
Operating Checking	1284	40,450.09	222,947.58		(220,171.85)	15.53	43,241.35
Special Checking	1300	212,358.84	34,352.88		(238,254.88)	24.04	8,480.88
Rental Income	4741	125,743.20	251,131.75		(376,404.09)	36.00	506.86
Rental - Credit Card Income	2050	56,933.00	109,397.19		(166,155.00)	5.32	180.51
Revenue Fund	0478	161,684.99	600,008.54		(349,086.25)	219.46	412,826.74
Bond Redemption	0486	499.17				0.20	499.37
Depreciation Reserve	0494	6,755.31	5,475.00			4.52	12,234.83
Debt Service Fund	0544	133,062.83	100,663.67			223.62	233,950.12
Debt Service Reserve Fund	0551	1,214,973.35				1,341.80	1,216,315.15
Totals		\$ 1,952,460.78	\$ 1,323,976.61	\$ -	\$ (1,350,072.07)	\$ 1,870.49	\$ 1,928,235.81

QNB Escrow Accounts

Account Name	last 4 digits of acct #	Beginning Balance	Deposits	Service Fees	Withdraws	Interest Earned	Ending Balance
Fox Clearing (Glenwood Chase)	0627	43,369.63			(49.50)	27.55	43,347.68
Perkiomen School	0635	2,293.47				0.91	2,294.38
Jefferson Street O&M	0676	29,841.53				18.97	29,860.50
P&B Partitions	0684	1,367.44				0.55	1,367.99
Lateral Projects	0734	1,086.82	5,832.00			0.91	6,919.73
Craig Building Group	4504	1,280.47			(106.00)	0.48	1,174.95
Stonegate	6400	5,484.20			(497.80)	2.04	4,988.44
Arlington Subdivision	6459	3,976.05			(980.58)	1.31	2,996.78
NB at Deerfield LLC	7747	2,903.56		(10.00)	(2,802.28)	0.39	91.67
189 Main St Assoc LP	7853	8,157.62			(42.00)	3.23	8,118.85
Creekside (Forestar)	7804	3,335.04				1.32	3,336.36
Creekside (Forestar) Construction	7812	55,720.88			(9,598.86)	35.94	46,157.96
Sands Bros. Partnership LP	8562	717.24			(275.86)	0.21	441.59
Sands Bros. Construction	9248	-	43,700.00			3.83	43,703.83
Totals		\$ 159,533.95	\$ 49,532.00	\$ -	\$ (14,352.88)	\$ 97.64	\$ 194,800.71



Ryan Pugh, Treasurer

Treasurer's Report - Account Balances as of

June 30, 2025

INCOME

		2025-2026 Budget	Total to Date	%	June	May
Grant	354.04		\$ 212,296.00		10,134.00	202,162.00
Rentals	364.10	4,417,916.00	\$ 673,031.05	15%	352,071.26	320,959.79
EDU's	364.20		\$ 75,239.00		45,753.00	29,486.00
Certifications	364.30	7,000.00	\$ 1,155.00	17%	490.00	665.00
Laterals	364.40	25,000.00	\$ 16,125.00	65%	7,025.00	9,100.00
Other Income	364.50		\$ -			
Inspections	364.60		\$ -			
Legal Fee Reimbursement	364.70		\$ -			
FOG Program	364.80		\$ -			
Interest Income	341.10	18,000.00	\$ 4,218.78	23%	1,871.40	2,347.38
Cell Tower Income	342.53	26,000.00	\$ 5,010.26	19%	2,505.13	2,505.13
TOTAL MONTHLY INCOME		\$ 4,493,916.00	\$ 987,075.09	22%	\$ 419,849.79	\$ 567,225.30

Ryan M. Pugh

Ryan Pugh, Treasurer

Upper Montgomery Joint Authority**X.B****Meeting Date July 08, 2025****Treasurer's
Cash Report - Payroll - June 2025****Payroll - EFT transfers**

(Automatic withdraw)

Pay Date	Check #	NAME & DESCRIPTION	Account	AMOUNT
6/5/2025	EFT	Salaries (Net)	426.10	\$ 13,515.58
6/5/2025	EFT	Payroll taxes	201.50	\$ 5,701.25
6/5/2025	EFT	QuickBooks Fee	400.11	\$ 52.25
TOTAL				\$ 19,269.08
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6/12/2025	EFT	Salaries (Net)	426.10	\$ 13,748.80
6/12/2025	EFT	Payroll taxes	201.50	\$ 5,791.48
6/12/2025	EFT	QuickBooks Fee	400.11	\$ 52.25
TOTAL				\$ 19,592.53
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6/18/2025	EFT	Salaries (Net)	426.10	\$ 14,375.39
6/18/2025	EFT	Payroll taxes	201.50	\$ 5,884.47
6/18/2025	EFT	QuickBooks Fee	400.11	\$ 52.25
TOTAL				\$ 20,312.11
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6/26/2025	EFT	Salaries (Net)	426.10	\$ 13,450.25
6/26/2025	EFT	Payroll taxes	201.50	\$ 5,641.89
6/26/2025	EFT	QuickBooks Fee	400.11	\$ 52.25
TOTAL				\$ 19,144.39
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TOTAL EFT Transfers for month				\$ 78,318.11



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



MONTHLY ENGINEER'S REPORT

Upper Montgomery Joint Authority

Reporting Period: June 11, 2025 to July 8, 2025

SSM File: 110328.2025
Submitted by: Jamie D. Lorah, P.E.
Client Representative
jamie.lorah@ssmgroup.com

To: Jennifer Leister, Executive Director and Board Members

Here is our Monthly Engineer's Report ("MER") for use at your July 8th Authority Meeting.

1. Miscellaneous Services (.2024)

- **RECAP:** The *PA Small Water & Sewer Grant Application* was approved by the CFA in the amount of \$423,576.⁰⁰ for the *Lateral Lining and Rehabilitation Project: East Greenville & Pennsburg*; the Authority's contribution is expected to be \$74,749.⁵⁰. 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 approximately \$68,000. A Grant Application was submitted for the SCADA improvements at this Pump Station as well (as Phase II).
- **RECAP:** A connection application was reviewed for 1206 Red Hill Road with regard to possible pipe extension, and we reviewed the length for two connections. A survey was sent out for interest to connect to the public sewer system.
- **UPDATE:** A standard detail was prepared for the use of the Neptune deduct meter, which is currently being used by Red Hill and Upper Hanover water utilities.

2. Glenwood Chase Development (.0004)

- **RECAP:** 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.

- **UPDATE:** SSM has reached out this past month to obtain an update, and we were told that they will be out to work on it by mid-week.

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.
- **RECAP:** 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.

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. 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:** All laterals have been installed, and all sewer main was pressure tested. The manholes are currently being raised to grade.

5. LSA Grant Administration (.0020)

- **RECAP:** Addressed questions from Grant Reviewer on Red Hill Gun Club Pump Station. Coordination with DCED for Reimbursement Request No. 1 for the Manhole Rehabilitation Grant.

Prepared Payment Request No. 3 for East Greenville and Pennsburg Lateral Lining and Rehabilitation project and sent to DCED for review/processing.

6. Developer Review – Craig Building Group (.0024)

- **RECAP:** The Plan Set is proposing a grinder station with a connection along W. 4th 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.
- **UPDATE:** The Pre-Construction Job Conference was held on June 9th on-site, and work is expected to start in the coming weeks. We have agreed to allow Andy Craig to install a 6" diameter sewer main for dedication to the Authority, if approved by PA DEP.

7. 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. Reimbursement was recently received for the Pennsburg Pump Station Generator purchase (deposit).

8. Developer Review – Montgomery Ave./Deerfield (.0026)

- **RECAP:** Construction work began in December with the connection of most of the sewer main to a 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 6 months (on and off), and they have installed each of the proposed manholes, all of the sewer main, and all of the laterals (to the cleanouts). Sewer mains have all been pressure tested and have all passed testing as well. Mandrel testing was performed last month.

9. 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. The Planning Module was finalized and transmitted to the Developer's engineer. There are currently no updates.

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

- **RECAP:** The Developer had submitted plans for two (2) homes to be constructed on a property along 5th 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 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. 3 was prepared and submitted this past month. A survey was sent out to the surrounding homeowners last month to assess interest in connecting to the sewer main in order to determine if an extension is needed. So far, at least two properties have responded and have waived

connection. Since last month's meeting, it is our understanding that they may not be connecting to public sewer now.

11. 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 start-up 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*.
- (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*.

12. 2025 NPDES Permit Renewal and DRBC Docket Renewal (.0032)

- **UPDATE:** The NPDES Permit renewal application is nearly ready for review by the Authority. The DRBC Docket renewal application was already submitted, and the NPDES Permit renewal is due by August 4th.

13. Developer Review – 134 W. Eighth Street (.0033)

- **RECAP:** 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.

14. 2025 PA Small Water and Sewer Grants (.0036)

The following PA Small Water and Sewer Grant Applications were submitted by the April 30th 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.
- (5) A resubmittal of the *WWTP Generator PLC and SCADA Integration* in the amount of **\$98,407.⁰⁰**. 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 3rd Streets Lateral Rehabilitation in the amount of \$395,633.⁰⁰*, which includes the lining and rehabilitation of approximately 49 sewer laterals on these street.

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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Technical Director, Environmental Engineering
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cc: Greg Philips, Esq.

July 8, 2025

Agenda Item XIV

UPPER MONTGOMERY JOINT AUTHORITY Solicitor's Report for June 2025

1. Personnel.
 - a. Employee Scheduling. Mr. Philips worked with Mrs. Leister regarding scheduling issues raised by employees.
2. Collection of Delinquent Accounts. Mr. Philips worked to collect outstanding debts on the following accounts:
 - a. 134 Main St. A 30 day demand letter was sent to debtors by certified mail. The letter was returned as unclaimed. A 10 day demand letter was sent and returned. A Municipal lien was filed against the real estate.
 - b. Hansell. Objections were filed by the Debtor. Hearing is set for July 22, 2025. A response is being prepared based on a review of the payment history.
 - c. 1004 Cedar Leas Court. The municipal lien has been satisfied.
 - d. 1007 Cedar Lea Court. Nothing new to report.
 - e. 1013 Cedar Lea Court. Nothing new to report.
3. Development Plans.
 - a. 1420 W. 4th Street. Mr. Philips worked with Mrs. Leister, Mrs. Lorah, and Developer to resolve issues discovered during the site visit. The issue discovered is that there are a number of homeowners that were anticipated to be connected to the extended main that the Developer was to install in

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W. 4th Street that were already connected to the sewer system by private sewer laterals.

- b. 5th Street Development. Nothing this month.
- c. 6th Street Development. Mr. Philips drafted the development agreement and transmitted the draft to the Developer's counsel.
- d. 134 W. 8th Street. The sewer connection agreement was completed and signed by the Developer.
- e. Creekside Village (Formerly Kershner). Nothing New to report.
- f. Deerfield (Montgomery Avenue) Subdivision. Mr. Philips reviewed emails between Mrs. Lorah and the Developer regarding outstanding punchlist items at the pump station
- g. Glenwood Chase. Nothing New to Report.

4. General Counsel Services.

- a. Glenwood Chase Excessive Water Use. Nothing new to report.
- b. Biosolids Project. Mr. Philips continued to work with Mrs. Leister and Worth & Company to develop terms for this contract. Mr. Philips attended a meeting with Worth & Company to go over the scope and terms. regarding this project. Mr. Philips continues to review and revise contract terms with Worth & Company.
- c. Solar Energy Panels. Mr. Philips attend a zoom meeting hosted by SRE. Next meeting is scheduled for July.
- d. Right to Know. 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

July 8th, 2025

Treatment Plant Information

Rainfall: **3.49"**

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

The dryer has continued to operate within normal parameters, consistently producing approximately 3 to 4 dry tons of product per week. Overall system performance has remained stable; however, minor operational issues—particularly involving the discharge auger—have been observed. These issues are currently being addressed by the operations team.

As a result of these challenges, there has been a reduction in total dried product output, with a portion of the material being diverted to landfill. Additionally, the loadout conveyor, which transports the finished product to the bagging station, has shown significant signs of wear over the past several months. This ongoing deterioration presents a potential risk to production efficiency and system reliability if not addressed in a timely manner.

The National Weather Service has provided UMJA with a new rain gauge, which was installed on June 16th. This equipment will support ongoing efforts to monitor local precipitation more accurately. UMJA looks forward to continuing its partnership with the National Weather Service in the years ahead, fostering collaboration that enhances regional weather data collection and analysis.

UMJA is currently in the process of obtaining quotes for the installation of a new access gate at the front of the plant, adjacent to the existing electric gate. The proposed gate will serve as a manual entry point for operators during power outages or in the event of electric gate malfunctions. At present, there are no access gates located at the front of the facility, highlighting the need for this addition to improve operational reliability and emergency access.

Committee Information/Safety

On July 2, 2025, UMJA staff conducted a scheduled safety meeting focused on the topic of hearing protection. The session emphasized best practices for preventing hearing loss in the workplace, proper use of personal protective equipment (PPE), and strategies for maintaining long-term auditory health.

Community Outreach

UMJA's operational staff conducted a site visit to the Dutchland manufacturing facility to gain a detailed understanding of the design and construction of the aeration tank.

Collection System

One odor complaint has been reported in relation to the Pennsburg Pump Station. In response, the hydrogen peroxide dosing system has been adjusted to increase the chemical feed rate in an effort to mitigate odor emissions.

Should this modification prove insufficient in resolving the issue, further corrective measures will be implemented. These include improving the hatch seal to minimize odor escape and installing a trap on the vent pipe to better contain and control the release of odors.

New propane tanks were installed at both the Cedar Knoll and Colonial Village Pump Stations on June 11th. This upgrade is expected to enhance system reliability and ensure continued operational efficiency at both locations.

Escrows

Sands Red Hill - June 27th

Property Transfer Lateral Inspections

Scheduled Inspections: 7

Open Pending Repairs: 9

Completed Passed Inspections: 5