EAST BERLIN AREA JOINT AUTHORITY
103 LOCUST STREET / PO BOX 37
EAST BERLIN, PA 17316

August 6, 2026

The monthly meeting of the East Berlin Area Joint Authority Board was held August 6, 2026 at 103 Locust St., East Berlin, PA. The meeting was presided over by *Chairman Green* opened the meeting at 7pm with a Pledge of Allegiance to the American flag.

Members Present: Chairman Green, Vice Chairman R. Weidner, V. Krall, W. Staub, R. Teal
Members Absent:
Also Present: Solicitor Battersby, Engineer D. Young, H. Lau, Treasurer; C. Lynch, ARRO Water; M. Earp, Secretary
Guests: Matt Scarpato, York Water; David Eisenhart, 221 Abbottstown St.

Agenda: A motion was made by **V. Krall** to accept the agenda as written for August 6, 2026 board meeting, with a second by ***R. Weidner***. **Motion carried**.
Minutes: A motion was made by ***W. Staub*** to accept the minutes of July 2, 2026 as written, with a second by ***R. Weidner.*** **Motion carried** to accept the minutes as written.

Payment of Bills: All members received a list of payables for July 2026, totaling **$85,530.09** from the Operational funds. A motion was made by ***V. Krall*** to pay the July 2026 bills, with a second by ***R. Weidner.*** **Motion carried**.

Public / Guest Comment: David Eisenhart, representing his mother E. Louise, of 221 Abbottstown St. addressed the board regarding the sewer collapse on June 9, 2026. He was asking for relief, on behalf of his mother, for invoices related to cleaning and restoration of the basement after two feet of raw sewage entered from an uncapped basement drain. **V. Krall** made a motion to reimburse the **Mrs. Eisenhart** for the remediation of the damage in the amount of $5,317.15 with a second from **W. Staub**. The Chairman stipulated that if Mrs. Eisenhart accepted the payment, no further claim would be made against the Authority related to this incident. He added the requirement that the basement drain must be capped. **Motion carried**.

Engineer's Report:

- Re: WWTP Expansion – shop drawings are being received and reviewed
- The CoStars equipment is expected to be delivered mid-October.
- Re: Rte. 194 Sewer Extension – BH is working on the record drawings.
- PFAS MCL Compliance – BH provided a considerable amount of information requested by the litigation team to prepare the two claims. The claims were completed by the litigation team and filed by Buchart Horn prior to the July 31 deadline.
- Posed the question if the Authority had to exist in some form to receive payouts from the claims. Solicitor stated any payouts after the Authority is disbanded would go to the borough.

Solicitor's Report:

- Present

Treasurer's Report:

- Open Balance: $63,528.64

Secretary's Report:

- Present

Unfinished Business:

- Future of the Authority – no action

New Business:

- Cyber Security Threat – alert from the PADEP warning of increased cyber threats targeting programmable logic controllers in water systems. C. Lynch assured the board the EBAJA PLCs are not connected to the internet. EBAJA continues to make operational changes manually.
- Tree Trimming at Beaver St. well #4. After concerns from neighbors regarding the overgrowth, D. Orris, Operator, obtained four quotes for tree trimming.
    - Rowland Tree Service - $850.00
    - Amigo's Trees - $1180.00
    - Jeremy Myers - $1500.00
    - J. Greenwood Tree Services - $2400.00

  Chairman Green stated he would like to take a look at the trees in question before making a decision.
- Chairman Green directed the secretary to prepare and send a letter to residents reminding them to keep storm water from entering the system and to advise capping/plugging all basement drains.

Operator's Report:

- Wastewater analysis showed a slight uptick in ammonia, so some adjustments were made. The uptick could be attributed to the weather.
- Well #2 went offline on 7/2/2026 due to an electrical storm.
- Well 1 and 4 had SCADA communication issues on 7/25/2026. CS21 shut down #4 until the problem was resolved on 7/30/2026. Well #1 needs a new radio – 6–7-week lead time.

Correspondence:

- Request from P. Grim of 301 Abbottstown St. for reimbursement of plumbing bill. On June 9 a plumber from John Wilhide, contracted by P. Grim of 301 Abbottstown St., alerted the Authority of a sewer main break on Abbottstown St. Grims are asking for relief of $505.00. A motion was made by **W. Staub** with a second by **R. Weidner** to reimburse $505.00 to P. Grim. **Motion carried.**

Executive Session: n/a

R. Teal advised she will not, and Chairman Green advised he potentially will not, be in attendance at the September 2026 meeting.

Motion to adjourn the meeting was made by ***R. Weidner*** with a second *by* ***R. Teal***.
Meeting was adjourned by ***Chairman Green*** *at* **7:27 p.m.**

The next monthly board meeting is scheduled to be held **September 3, 2026** at 103 Locust Street at 7:00 p.m.