

EAST BERLIN AREA JOINT AUTHORITY  
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JULY 3, 2025

The monthly meeting of the East Berlin Area Joint Authority Board was held July 3, 2025 at 103 Locust St., East Berlin, PA. The meeting was presided over by Chairman Green. Chairman Green opened the meeting at 7pm with a Pledge of Allegiance to the American flag.

**Members Present:** Chairman G. Green, V.C. Weidner, R. Teal, V. Krall, W. Staub

**Members Absent**

**Also Present:** Solicitor Battersby, Engineer D. Young, Treasurer H. Lau, Secretary M. Earp, Operator N. Boyer

**Guests:** JT Hand and Matt Scarpato of York Water, Joe Messinger of East Berlin

**Agenda:** A motion was made by R. Weidner to accept the agenda for July 3, 2025 board meeting as written, with a second by R. Teal. **Motion carried to accept the agenda as written.**

**Minutes:** A motion was made by W. Staub to accept the minutes of June 5, 2025 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 June 2025, totaling **\$51,519.01** from the Operational funds. A motion was made by V. Krall to pay the June 2025 bills, with a second from R. Teal. Motion carried.

**Public / Guest Comment:**

**Engineer's Report:**

- Special study related to the WWTP Expansion and Sanitary Sewer Extension was submitted to PADEP. Copies were provided.
- The NPDES permit application should be submitted in the next week.
- The PennDOT Highway Occupancy related to the Route 194 extension permit was received.
- The Water Quality Management Part 11 permit was submitted.
- Provided PADEP with the requested letter outlining efforts made to date and a discussion of actions planned. A draft of this letter was reviewed last month; the final version was provided.

**Solicitor's Report:**

- Requested Executive Session related to legal advice.

**Treasurer's Report:**

- **Open Balance: \$256,946.80**

**Secretary's Report:**

- Quarter 2 bills were sent June 27, 2025
- CCR Annual Water Quality Report was published June 27, 2025 available on the website or at the office.

**Unfinished Business:**

- PFOS/PFOA – the solicitor added the Authority to a class-action lawsuit related to pfas.

### New Business:

- Water Line Extension Funds: the secretary served to remind board members that the water line extension was granted funds by the county, but not the state, therefore, any matching funds would need to come from the Authority reserves.  
Member W. Staub stated he did not feel the Authority should run the line out Route 194 since York Water is ready and willing to make that connection and serve those customers. York Water already secured applications for service from three of the businesses along that corridor. The solicitor advised that the Authority would need to grant waivers to York Water since that area is technically the Authority's jurisdiction. He advised that would come with a PUC review. JT Hand of York Water interjected to state that they are at a standstill waiting to see how the Authority is going to proceed (sell or just hook up as an emergency backup), mainly because that decision will indicate the size pipe York Water will need to lay. Chairman Green stated they would table the discussion on Water Line Extension Funds. No motion was made as to whether the project would move forward or be abandoned.

### Operator's Report:

- Unclogged pump #1 at the Park Lift Station – filled with rags
- Ordered a new composite sampler needed for DEP wastewater samples
- Will begin exercising water main shut off valves the week of July 7, 2025.
- Still working on obtaining the additional costars prices for the Branch Circle lift station generator.

### Correspondence:

- Johnston & Associates letter re: sewage needs at 320 West King St.
  - Mr. Vogl of 320 West King St. presented a check and application to the office for service hook up for the three additional apartments. The application was for three water hook ups and two sewer hook ups. The property needs three additional sewer connections (EDU's), therefore the application was incorrect and the deposit short by \$2,600.00. The application was denied.
  - The Authority engineer agreed to send a letter to Johnston & Associates supporting the decision.

Executive Session: Board members moved into Executive Session at 7:20 p.m. The board exited Executive Session at 7:35 p.m.

A motion was made by R. Teal to engage additional services from Raftelis related to an appraisal of the system. The additional services would include splitting the appraisal values into three categories: selling the system; remediating the affected wells & keeping the system; or maintaining the system while executing a connection with York Water for as needed bulk water purchases. The fee for the additional services from Raftelis is \$12,000.00. V. Krall seconded the motion. All members were in concordance. **Motion carried.**

**Motion to adjourn** the meeting was made by R. Weidner with a second by V. Krall.  
Meeting was adjourned by Chairman Green at 7:36 p.m.

The next monthly board meeting is scheduled to be held **August 7, 2025** at 103 Locust Street at 7:00 p.m.