REGULAR MEETING BLOSSBURG MUNICIPAL AUTHORITY
AUGUST 4, 2026

The regular meeting of the Blossburg Municipal authority was held on Tuesday, August 4, 2026 at 7:00 PM in the Council Room.

The following members were present: Chairman M. Stoudt, Vice Chairman F. Wasowicz, Secretary S. Hall, Treasurer P. Bauman, and member J. Bubacz, Jr. Also present was G. Lloyd, Borough Manager and L. Lazouras, Recording Secretary.

The Chairman called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

Section 1: All reports to be accepted in one motion

A.) MINUTES

The minutes from the 7/7/26 meeting were brought up for discussion. There were no corrections.

B.) TREASURER'S REPORT AND BILL PAYMENT

Treasurer P. Bauman read the treasurer's report and bill list. He noted the RUS loan payment #6 has to be made this month. We will have to transfer some of our sewer money invested in the BWC MMI to the BMA MMI to make this payment, as we do not have enough to cover the entire amount needed. There being no further discussion, a motion was made by S. Hall, seconded by J. Bubacz, Jr.,"That the minutes, treasurer's report and bill payments be accepted." All in favor.

Section 2: Old Business

A.) WATER UPDATE. SALT WELL 15

George said the leak at Sheckler's on Carpenter was on a ¾" copper line. He had Fay Bradley fix the line, and we reordered the part used. This repair saved about 5-10,000 gpd. but really sounded a lot louder than that when Chad listened on the line.

B.) DELINQUENTS

The list was given to the members. F. Wasowicz noted that some of those making small amounts monthly will never get caught up since the new bill adds on. 48-hour notices have been sent out. Frank asked if Lexhar is the new foundry owner, and it is.

C,) INFILTRATION

George said we had about 2 ½" of rain last weekend. The flow was up from 300,000 to 600,000 gallons at the stp but did not cause any problems. Everything is working well and it is a lot better than it used to be.

D.) WATER FUTURE I-99/BUSINESS 15 CORRIDOR

UTRRA is filling their 400,000 gal tank on East Hill and they will check for leaks, check the VOCs, and super chlorinate that water. They are pressure checking the lines that have been installed. Meter pits are being installed and estimate being done mid-September, so are still ahead of schedule.

E.) CASSELBERRY

In the packets was a copy of the proposed permanent easement from our attorney , to be sent to six properties adjacent to Hemlock Lane for our proposed well site on the House's land. This Lane will be maintained by us. The members approved and will notify the attorney.

F.) OLD HOSPITAL

G.) BRAY WTP EVALUATION-HRG REQUEST
DEP is reviewing this now. Mike gives credit to S. Bray for the work he did and having all the information so there was no delay. Many times additional information was needed for their applications.

H.) BR DAM

I.) CYBERSECURITY
Joe gave the members a draft to look over for personal electronic device usage. He also passed out information from the official website of the US government, CISA, regarding a significant increase in cyber threat actors targeting programmable logic controllers in the water and wastewater sectors. They are targeting water entities of all sizes. There was also an article where the FBI is investigating Michigan and Minnesota reporting cyberattacks on its water systems. PA Rural Water also sent notices out of alerts. Joe said with the SCADA systems, we have to make sure the Martz systems are secure and have a discussion with them. Mike said at Taylor Run and Morris Run there are shut-off buttons you can use to manually shut the SCADA system off. S. Hall asked about the new pool house and security there and Mike said they are working on that, for SCADA also.

J.) METERS
George is working on this for UTRRA so we can see how that all works before doing them here.

K.) FIRE HYDRANT REPLACEMENT

L.) TAPPING FEES

M.) SCADA WWTP
Mike will be talking with Dave Slusser about this.

N.) CLEAN UP DORN PROPERTY

O.) NEW POOL HOUSE
Work is moving along well. The power is now on to the structure. Penelec came here Monday to start, then it rained which held this up but came back Thursday morning and finished.

P.) ASSESSMENT NOTICE GULICK ST. OWNERSHIP
The bill for Bloss Boro, Gulick St. to exempt the building, is for the booster pump building by the S Wmsn, Rd. bridge. The Municipal Authority owns it through a Quiet Title from Ward Mfg. which was done in 1995. It is .4 acres. All in agreement this be taken off the agenda.

Q.) NEW EMPLOYEE
The ad was placed for a laborer position and applications are due by 8/14. We will go through the matrix to determine aptitude or skills, and interview candidates. One has been received and we have had a few calls regarding the position. They must have or be willing to obtain a CDL with a tanker endorsement within 1 year of hiring and water and sewer certifications within 3 years.

A high school diploma or equivalent is required, and a complete background and drug screening is done upon hiring. The person will work independently, be mechanically inclined, able to walk long distances and do other physical tasks, be available for call-ins, emergency response, and rotating weekend coverage.

Section 3: New Business

A.) REPSOL ROYALTY #103

#103 was received 7/22 and deposited directly into the BWC Royalty account. The report was in the packets, and for the months of 4/26 and 5/26. The Treasurer transferred all but $1,000.00 to avoid a bank charge to the BMA BWC MMI #6018. The amount was way down again this month.

B.) C&N INTEREST STATEMENTS, CD'S, FCCB

The reports were passed out. The Feds have not raised the rates. Our CDs are about a year out from maturity. There has been no activity except for earning interest.

C.) The sewer refund was received from the PA. Dept. Revenue for the state sales tax appeal for taxes we paid on the Penelec bills. The letter was dated 7/14 and the amount was $5,268.54, plus earned interest of $63.52 for a total of $5,332.06.

Section 4: Borough Manager's Report

A.) S. Hall asked George if he had heard anything further from the proposed power generator company asking for water in Richmond Twp. but has not. If they were to request water from the new water line being installed in Covington, they would have to ask UTRRA, who in turn would have to request it from us since we are providing the water. Last month we discussed it and had questions regarding the amount of water we ourselves will need in the future. P. Bauman asked if our Authority has any representation on the UTRRA Board. George is an officer on the Board and Tim Martin, our Mayor, went on in place of Shane Nickerson. When the Board was set up and there were 2 voting members from each community: Blossburg, Putman, Covington, and Richmond. Pat wonders if there should not be any actual Authority member since neither Tim nor George have any voting power on our board. Our involvement is only George passing information through us. George said there is a term limit on Blossburg UTRRA members and does not know when they expire, so he will check on this.

There being no further business, the Chairman adjourned the meeting at 7:35 PM on motion of S. Hall, seconded by F. Wasowicz with all in favor.

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CHAIRMAN SECRETARY