



ELIZABETHTOWN REGIONAL SEWER AUTHORITY

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Elizabethtown Regional Sewer Authority Minutes May 12, 2026

The Elizabethtown Regional Sewer Authority (ERSA) met at 6:30 PM at the public meeting room located at 235 Ersa Drive, Elizabethtown, PA with the following members in attendance: Dave Sweigert, Ken Shaffer, Roger Snyder, Rick Erb (by phone), Nick Viscome and Michael Tyler. Also present were ERSA Manager Steve Rettew, Engineer Abraham King, solicitor Jeff Shank and Bookkeeper Michele Range.

Public Attendance: Ruben Ziegler – Aberdeen Land Holdings, LLC.

It was **motioned** by Snyder and seconded by Viscome to approve the minutes of the April 14, 2026, meeting. Motion carried.

Public Comment: Mr. Ziegler, owner of Tier One Car Wash, objected to a notice requiring him to pay approximately \$87-90k in EDU surcharges within 60 days or face a steep rate increase, arguing it was unfair to hold him responsible for sewage usage and EDU counts that were not updated for many years and largely predated his ownership. He requested historical usage data to verify the calculations and questioned the legality and equity of imposing such charges based on long-standing record issues rather than his own period of operation. King reviewed historical data for the car wash and also indicated a significant increase in usage in 2024 and 2025 resulting in the use of about 23 EDUs. Requested usage data will be provided to Mr. Ziegler within the next few days by Rettew.

General Business:

1. Rettew discussed the bid results for the general construction of the Cameron, Colebrook and Nolt Pumping Station Improvements Project and recognized DESCCO as the lowest responsible bidder. King reviewed the bid tabulation and schedule, with construction anticipated to extend into early next year. It was **motioned** by Snyder and seconded by Viscome to award Contract #2026-01 for the Cameron, Colebrook and Nolt Pumping Station Improvements Project to DESSCO Design & Construction, Inc. in the amount of \$1,599,723.00. Motion carried.
2. Rettew discussed bid results for the electrical portion of the Cameron, Colebrook and Nolt Pumping Station Improvements Project and recognized Pumping Solutions, Inc. as the lowest responsible bidder. This electrical contractor was used on the Miller Road project and currently on the Turnpike 2 project. It was **motioned** by Snyder and seconded by Viscome to award Contract #2026-02 for the Cameron, Colebrook and Nolt Pumping Station Improvements Project to Pumping Solutions, Inc. in the amount of \$387,200.00. Motion carried.

Reports:

A. Engineer

King discussed the engineer report and highlighted the following:

- a. Sheaffer Rd – sewage planning was submitted to West Donegal and Mount Joy Township as well as the County for review. County comments are being addressed. Anticipated construction is for Spring 2027.
- b. Miller Road – Blooming Glen back on site to troubleshoot VFD issues. Contractor reminded that warranty clock keeps resetting for that drive. Air release valves are delayed installation by SA Way due to precast structure lead times.
- c. Turnpike Road No.2 Pump Station Expansion – bids are being received and reviewed.
- d. 2026 Sewer CCTV Inspection – Notice to Proceed was issued to USG to televise approved right-of-way segments. Anticipated to start in June or July.
- e. Campus Road Subdivision – pre-construction meeting held for Phase 3.
- f. Sheetz – demolition underway, sewer work to begin in coming weeks.

B. Treasurer

Shaffer discussed the financial reports and highlighted the following:

- a. Net ordinary income was about \$23,000 ahead of budget amount for April.
- b. Year-to-date, net ordinary income is roughly \$149,000 ahead of budget.
- c. CRIM activity was negative for April, due to accrued interest timing, which left monthly revenues about \$35,000 under budget.
- d. The Authority has one remaining bond issue outstanding, maturing in 2029, with a possibility of new debt in connection with the Radio Road project once the Borough provides direction.

It was **motioned** by Snyder and seconded by Viscome to approve the Treasurer's report. Motion carried.

It was **motioned** by Snyder and seconded by Viscome to approve the bills payable in the amount of \$204,331.54. Motion carried.

The Board entered executive session at approximately 7:09pm to discuss Letter of Credit to Bond request, Unpaid Reservation Fees, EDU required purchase fees and Personnel Matter. The Board reconvened the public meeting at approximately 7:56pm.

It was **motioned** by Snyder and seconded by Viscome to adjourn the general session at 7:52pm. Motion carried.