

May 7, 2024

MINUTES OF BERNVILLE BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING MAY 7, 2024

President Dennis Baver called meeting of Bernville Borough Council to order Tuesday, May 7, 2024, at 7:00 PM in the Bernville Borough Hall at 6602 Bernville Rd.

Present were President Dennis Baver, Vice President Justin Kiebach, Councilmember's Jason Wenrich, Randy Copenhaver and Jamie Schurr, Secretary Brenda Strunk, Chief Brian Thumm, and Solicitor Michelle Mayfield. Mayor Shawn Raup-Konsavage, Councilmember's Zachary Smith, and Wayne Leshner were absent.

Guests included Dale Balthaser, John Kissling, Kim Shultz, Brenda Quinter, Randy Becker, and Ron Baker.

Pledge to the Flag

MOTIONS

1. MOTION by BAVER/COPENHAVER to authorize the secretary to contact Blue Mountain Mechanical, Drain Master, and or another company to have video work done from manhole to manhole on Penn Valley Rd from 3rd to 4th St. Motion carried 5-0.
2. MOTION by COPENHAVER/SCHUR to authorize the secretary to contact a contractor to fix what is found on Penn Valley Rd between 3rd and 4th St. Motion carried 5-0.
3. MOTION by COPENHAVER/WENRICH to authorize up to \$4,000 for line painting throughout the borough. Motion carried 5-0.
4. MOTION by WENRICH/KIEBACH to adopt ordinance no. 2024-353 amending, re-adopting and setting a schedule of attorneys' fees to be collected in connection with the collection of delinquent water, sewer, and trash municipal accounts pursuant to ACT No. 1 of 1996. Motion carried 5-0.
5. MOTION by COPENHAVER/KIEBACH to adopt a resolution establishing a policy for collection of delinquent accounts. Motion carried 5-0.
6. MOTION by WENRICH/SCHUR to allow the fire police to provide coverage at the Tulpehocken High School on May 30, 2024, for graduation night. Motion carried 5-0.
7. MOTION by COPENHAVER/WENRICH to accept the minutes of April 2, 2024. Motion carried 5-0.
8. MOTION by COPENHAVER/WENRICH to approve the accounts payable listed on page 4. Motion carried 4-0. President Baver abstained due to Baver Construction.
9. MOTION by COPENHAVER/SCHUR to approve the treasurer report subject to audit. Motion carried 5-0.
10. MOTION by COPENHAVER/KIEBACH to authorize the solicitor to prepare the meter leak resolutions. Motion carried 5-0.
11. MOTION by COPENHAVER/WENRICH to authorize the secretary to contact Berger's Lawn Maintenance and ask them to mow and clean up the yard at 253 E 4th Street and invoicing the borough and then the borough will place a lien against the property also to amend the agenda to address resident's concerns of this matter. Motion carried 5-0.

GUESTS

Randy Becker, borough resident, stated that he has a sewer issue at his residence. This is 327 Penn Valley Rd. Mr. Becker stated that Blue Mountain Mechanical was out and put a camera in his sewer line. The picture shows that the lateral separated from the main. The council stated that the borough will have the line videoed as soon as possible.

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GUESTS cont.

Kim Shultz, borough resident, spoke of concerns of her neighbor's property located at 253 E 4th St. Mrs. Shultz showed pictures to council. The shed is deteriorating, the roof, on the house, is collapsing, there are materials around the yard, there are critters on the property and snakes. There is a propane tank laying over between the Shultz property and 253 E 4th St. Mrs. Shultz stated this is a safety hazard. Mrs. Shultz asked what the solicitor and the borough are doing about this. Solicitor Mayfield stated she cannot do anything unless the borough authorizes her to do so. President Baver stated that the borough needs to give them 30 days. Secretary Brenda Strunk told council that Jon Cosgrove, from Kraft Municipal Group, said the 30 days is up since the violation was posted. President Baver will follow up with the homeowner's insurance company to see what the options are for the property. Council authorized the secretary to contact Berger's Lawn Maintenance to have them clean up and mow the grass at the property. Brenda Quinter another neighbor to 253 E 4th St stated she cannot go outside due to the mosquitos from the pool that is falling apart in the yard of 253 E 4th St.

John Kissling, Bernville Fire Chief, stated that pool filling season is here. Mr. Kissling stated the fire company was allowed to use 20,000 gallons of water last year and asked the council if that is the same for this year. Secretary Brenda Strunk will call ARRO, the borough's operator, to see how much they recommend and let Mr. Kissling know.

COUNCIL REPORTS

President Dennis Baver stated that the auction for the land at 3rd and Stevens Ave and the pool property will be June 6, 2024. President Baver asked Councilmember Schur to get keys to the secretary so she can get them to Les Longenecker the auctioneer. Councilmember Copenhaver stated there are large amounts of chemicals at the pool. The solicitor recommends that the council has them removed. Councilmember Copenhaver will call Heidelberg May 8, 2024.

President Baver stated he would like to schedule interviews with Engineers. President Baver will get a list of questions to council.

President Baver is looking at creating a schedule to paint the restrooms in Umbenhauer Park and get water into the borough garage.

Vice President Justin Kiebach reported on curb painting. Vice President Kiebach stated that Derek Kissling's pressure wash business would pressure wash the curbs at \$90.00 per hour not to exceed 25 hours. Sealmaster is \$550 for the week to rent the paint machine, \$147.74 per five gallons of traffic paint, and \$60.00 for a new spray tip. Councilmember Copenhaver asked if it would benefit the borough to purchase a paint sprayer instead of renting one. The council asked Secretary Brenda Strunk to call Richard Burkey to see if he is interested in selling his paint sprayer.

Councilmember Jamie Schur asked the council if the pool property is sold can council put that money into the parks since it is recreational.

Councilmember Schur stated the small swings need to be replaced at Umbenhauer Park. Secretary Brenda Strunk stated there were small swings in the borough garage.

Councilmember Schur asked the council what is going on with the community garden at Umbenhauer Park. Vice President Justin Kiebach replied that some people showed interest in maintaining it. The council stated that if nobody comes forward in the next two weeks to maintain the community garden than it will be removed.

Councilmember Randy Copenhaver will call Derek Kissling to have the mowers serviced.

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COUNCIL REPORTS cont.

Councilmember Copenhaver reached out to System Designs and SSM to create a roadwork project. Councilmember Copenhaver has not heard anything from either one on a roadwork project.

There was discussion by the council about the notice of violations that were sent out, by Kraft Municipal Group, regarding abandoned vehicles.

There was a consensus by the council to close Main Street for the Memorial Day Parade.

There was a consensus by council to allow the Bernville Fire Company to have a dumpster at Umbenhauer Park for their gun raffle fundraiser.

WATER REPORT

ATTACHED

SEWER REPORT

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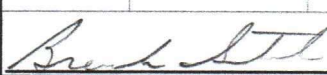
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ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

Borough of Bernville
Accounts Payable
May 7, 2024

	AMOUNT		DESCRIPTION
01 Comcast	\$115.01 PAID		POLICE PHONE AND FAX
01 Fleet Services	\$485.35 PAID		POLICE GASOLINE and PARK GASOLINE
01 Met-Ed	\$37.26 PAID		GARAGE ELECTRIC
01 Met-Ed	\$59.40 PAID		UMBENHAUER PARK
01 Met-Ed	\$24.22 PAID		CLAY PARK
01 Met-Ed	\$207.83 PAID		BOROUGH HALL
01 Met-Ed	\$51.16 PAID		POOL ELECTRIC
01 Met-Ed	\$1,311.07 PAID		STREETLIGHTS
01 Arlan R Wessner Inc	\$11,684.50 PAID		2 CATCH BASINS REPLACED AT 3rd and PENN VALLEY AND 4TH and PENN VALLEY (EMERGENCY DUE TO SINKHOLE)
01 County of Berks	\$96.55 PAID		POLICE MOBILE COMPUTER REPLACEMENT
01 County of Berks	\$65.50 PAID		POLICE MOBILE COMPUTER
01 Hartman Valeriano Magovern and Lutz	\$2,780.70 PAID		LEGAL SERVICES
01 ProMax Fence Systems	\$1,240.00 PAID		NEW LOOP FOR RECYCLING SITE
01 Bernville Auto Parts	\$7.70 PAID		POLICE - QT. OIL
01 L-Tron	\$592.51 PAID		PRINTER AND ACCESSORIES FOR POLICE VEHICLE
01 Bernville Gas	\$34.16 PAID		POLICE VEHICLE GAS
01 D&M Fireworks	\$2,500.00 PAID		DEPOSIT FOR COMMUNITY DAY
01 Postmaster	\$154.00 PAID		POLICE POST OFFICE BOX ANNUAL RENT
	TOTAL GENERAL PAID	\$21,446.92	
01 Cardmember Services	\$671.01		POLICE VEHICLE PRINTER AND STOPWATCH CALIBRATION
01 Reifsnnyder's Ag Center	\$10.80		BOLTS FOR PICNIC TABLES
01 County of Berks	\$96.55		POLICE MOBILE COMPUTER REPLACEMENT
01 T-Mobile	\$158.56		CELL PHONES
01 Hartman Valeriano Magovern and Lutz	\$1,340.00		LEGAL SERVICES
01 Baver Custom Construction	\$201.10		SUPPLIES FOR KITCHEN PLUMBING IN UMBENHAUER PARK
01 Met-Ed	\$1,317.34		STREETLIGHTS
01 Quadlent	\$127.17		POSTAGE
01 Kraft Municipal Group	\$2,830.50		CODE ENFORCEMENT
	TOTAL GENERAL UNPAID	\$6,753.03	
08 Verizon	\$318.24 PAID		WWTP PHONE AND INTERNET APRIL and MAY
08 Met-Ed	\$1,450.08 PAID		WWTP ELECTRIC
08 Slaymaker	\$899.45 PAID		EMERGENCY SERVICE ON TRANSDUCER
08 ARRO Water Services	\$8,543.45 PAID		CONTRACTED SERVICES
	TOTAL SEWER PAID	\$11,211.22	
08 ARRO Water Services	\$8,782.44		CONTRACTED SERVICES
	TOTAL SEWER UNPAID	\$8,782.44	
Verizon	\$145.10 PAID		WELL PHONE APRIL and MAY
Met-Ed	\$453.39 PAID		WELL 4 ELECTRIC
Met-Ed	\$336.77 PAID		WELL 3 ELECTRIC
Blue Mountain Mechanical	\$79.95 PAID		FIXED LEAK FROM CHANGING WATER METER AT ORGANIC STORE
Suburban Water Testing	\$936.00 PAID		WATER TESTING
Hartman Valeriano Magovern and Lutz	\$90.00 PAID		LEGAL SERVICES
ARRO Water Services	\$1,237.40 PAID		CONTRACTED SERVICES
Powerton Generators Inc	\$32,383.00 PAID		GENERATOR AT WELL 4 (WILL BE REIMBURSED BY GRANT)
Penn Township	\$190.00 PAID		WELL 3 SEWER
Brown Plus	\$1,289.30 PAID		AUDIT ENDING DECEMBER 2023
	TOTAL WATER PAID	\$37,140.91	
Suburban Water Testing	\$30.00		WATER TESTING
PA DEP	\$2,000.00		CHAPTER 109 - SAFE DRINKING WATER ANNUAL FEE
Power Systems Electric	\$581.77		GENERATOR REPAIR
ARRO Water Services	\$1,224.00		CONTRACTED SERVICES
	TOTAL WATER UNPAID	\$3,835.77	
09 Jax Disposal	\$8,880.00 PAID		TRASH REMOVAL
	TOTAL TRASH UNPAID	\$8,880.00	

TREASURER REPORT

BOROUGH OF BERNVILLE'S TREASURER REPORT AS OF MARCH 31, 2024			
GENERAL FUND			
	Balance February 29, 2024		\$ 163,230.60
	Receipts	3/01/2024 - 3/31/2024	\$ 46,395.35
	Expenditures	3/01/2024 - 3/31/2024	\$ 44,730.98
	Balance -	31-Mar-24	\$ 164,894.97
SEWER FUND			
	Balance February 29, 2024		\$ 237,924.62
	Receipts	3/01/2024 - 3/31/2024	\$ 16,039.18
	Expenditures	3/01/2024 - 3/31/2024	\$ 19,252.93
	Balance -	31-Mar-24	\$ 234,710.87
TRASH FUND			
	Balance February 29, 2024		\$ 73,754.76
	Receipts	3/01/2024 - 3/31/2024	\$ 4,558.59
	Expenditures	3/01/2024 - 3/31/2024	\$ 10,510.26
	Balance -	31-Mar-24	\$ 67,803.09
WATER FUND			
	Balance February 29, 2024		\$ 212,270.28
	Receipts	3/01/2024 - 3/31/2024	\$ 5,081.15
	Expenditures	3/01/2024 - 3/31/2024	\$ 5,476.39
	Balance -	31-Mar-24	\$ 211,875.04
	Total March 2024 Balance all Funds		\$ 679,283.97
DEPOSITORIES			
	PLGIT Investment - Highway State Aid		\$162,396.13
	PLGIT Investment - Sewer		\$497,391.91
	PLGIT Investment - Water		\$467,782.94
	TOTAL DEPOSITORIES		\$1,127,570.98
 Brenda Strunk, Secretary/Treasurer			

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POLICE REPORT

From: Chief Brian E. Thumm

Subject: April Monthly Report

Date: 5-07-2024

In the month of April, we had no misdemeanor or felony crimes reported to the Police Department. We were busy patrolling the streets, conducting security checks of Borough and private property, and monitoring traffic.

The Borough received 25 calls for Police service. We had 2 ALS calls, and 1 BLS Med call. Other calls for medical service such as 2 welfare calls came in. The Department conducted 7 traffic stops for violations of the vehicle code in the Borough. We had 2 Domestic. The criminal charges filed in Feb. were dropped due to the victim failing to appear in court. The Borough had 1 fire alarm that was accidental during testing. There were 2 calls for disorderly conduct. There were 3 reckless drivers reported to us which took place out of the borough but were coming into the Borough. We received a report of a tree down in the road which was found to be in Penn Twp. We stood by while it was cleared up for public safety.

I handled many phone assignments relative to police matters which required no police action. The Department is here to service the community but requires citizens reporting incidents to the police Dept. and being willing and able to identify suspects involved.

Bernville Borough had 25 Police calls 17 calls between 7am -3pm, 7 calls between 3pm-11pm and 1 call between 11pm-7am. The Borough police handled 18 calls for service, PSP received 7 calls for service, 2 of those calls were EMS related calls that they did not respond to.

The Police Department worked a total of 34 shifts covering 272 hours of service. Officers traveled 1208 miles while on patrol and in the performance of my duties. We purchased 135.671 gallons of fuel for a total cost of \$479.84 dollars this is the pump price with all taxes and does not show any discount. The department issued 19 traffic citations, no non-traffic citations, and 14 parking tickets. There was a total of 25 police service calls.

RESPECTFULLY



Brian E. Thumm
Chief of Police

NO EXECUTIVE SESSION

ADJOURNMENT: There was no further business, and the Bernville Borough Council meeting adjourned at 9:25 PM by KIEBACH/COPENHAVER.

Attest:



Brenda Strunk
Borough Secretary



May 6, 2024

Via Email: bervilleboro@comcast.net

Dennis Baver
Bernville Borough Water Treatment Plant
P.O. Box 40
Bernville, PA 19506

RE: Bernville Borough Water Treatment Plant
April 2024—Monthly Operations and Maintenance Report

Dear Dennis:

We are pleased to report that there were no water quality violations during the month of April 2024.

The monthly DWELR data for the two wells was submitted to the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection (PA DEP) on behalf of Bernville Borough and the confirmation report will be sent to you via email for your files.

A brief summary of the monthly flow data is as follows:

2024			
April	Well		Total Daily Gallons
	4	3	
Average	96,785	95,693	96,749
Total	2,806,772	95,693	2,902,465
Min	67,022	95,693	67,022
Max	134,236	95,693	134,236

Routine Maintenance/Events:

- Performed daily well inspections as per the contract
- Weekly duties as per the contract
- Monthly duties as per the contract

Non-Routine Maintenance/Events:

There are no non-routine events to report at this time.


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If you have any questions, please contact 717.560.2760 or ContactAWS@arrowaterservices.com.

Sincerely,



David Kline, L.O.
Director of Operations



Kevin R. Dunn
Assistant Director of Operations



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Via Email: bervilleboro@comcast.net. jmccarthy@mccarthy-eengineering.com

Dennis Baver
Bernville Borough
P.O. Box 40
Bernville, PA 19506

RE: Bernville Borough Wastewater
NPDES Permit No. PA0024023
April 2024—Monthly Operations and Maintenance Report

Dear Dennis:

There was a rainstorm incident the beginning of April that caused the wastewater treatment plan to experience a hydraulic overload. The 5-day report is attached that explains the incident.

Copies of the following information, which will be submitted to the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection (PA DEP) on behalf of Bernville Borough, will be sent to you on or before May 31, 2024.

- Discharge Monitoring Report
- Supplemental Reports

A summary of the monthly flow data is as follows:

Average, in MGD	=	0.3128
Maximum, in MGD	=	0.9220

Routine Maintenance/Events:

- General housekeeping
- Maintenance and inspections/observations performed

Non-Routine Maintenance/Events:

There are no non-routine events to report at this time.

If you have any questions, please contact us at 717.560.2760 or ContactAWS@arrowaterservices.com.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "DK", written over a light blue horizontal line.

David Kline, L.O.
Director of Operations

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Kevin R. Dunn
Assistant Director of Operations

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April 8, 2024

Via email: bernvillemoro@comcast.net

Re: 5 Day Report for Bernville Borough (PA0024023)

Day 1 4/2/24

When I got to the plant flows were at 300 gpm (normally 100-150gpm) with effluent looking good. The plant setting was adjusted to handle storm the day before. Rain gage showed 0.76 in. Around 1pm we started to push solids and flow was at 460 gpm. At the time I started the sampler and notified DEP.

Day 2 4/3/24

At 6:30am flows were at 480 gpm then up to 630 gpm by 9am. Rain gauge showed 2.29 inches of rain. EQ tank was still slightly pushing solids. Still at 4pm flows were still at 630 gpm. Sampler still running for pick up.

Day 3 4/4/24

At 6:30am flows were at 600 gpm and by 8am flows were down to 500 gpm. Plant still cannot keep up sbr cycles. EQ tank looked a little better and Effluent was still cloudy but no solid. Rain guard showed 0.44 in of rain. Samplers still running for pick up.

Day 4 4/5/24

At 7am flows were at 480 gpm. Effluent is clear. By noon flows were down to 450 gpm. Plant is now maintaining its self. Lab is picking up its finally pick up.

Day 5 4/6/24

At 8am flows were at 370 gpm. Plant is running well. EQ tank looks great and so does the effluent.

If you have any questions, please contact us at 717.560.2760 or ContactAWS@arrowaterservices.com.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Kevin R. Dunn".

Kevin R. Dunn
Assistant Director of Operations

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OUT-IN-FRONT. EVERY STEP OF THE WAY.