

# Centre Documenters

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**Meeting:** Gregg Township Sewer Authority

**Township:** Gregg Township

**Documenter name:** Rivka Wolin

**Date:** Oct. 30, 2023

**Start Time:** 6:30 p.m.

**End Time:** 7:30 p.m.

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## In Attendance:

### Sewer authority members

- President: Gil Morrison – present
- Vice-President: Laron Horner – present
- Secretary: Joe Kunst – present
- Treasurer: Aaron Covalt – present
- Member: Tom Stitzer – not present
- Recording Secretary: Greg Evans – not present
- Operator: Roy Rupert
- Operator to be: Justin Kerstetter

### Buchart Horn Engineers

- Zebulen Smoyer
- Patrick Ward

### Staff

- Supervisor: Cathy Arney
- Accountant: John Corman
- Solicitor: Bod Mix

## Notes

- Meeting minutes for the Sept. 25, 2023 were presented and approved by all authority members

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in attendance.

- Future plans for water plant upgrades or replacements were discussed in the September meeting.
  - The municipality's update to their Act 537 and Sewage Management Programs (SMP) was discussed among authority members.
  - The Sewer Authority wants to get the Gregg Township Board of Supervisors involved in the discussion of an update to Act 537 and the Sewage Management Programs (SMP).
    - The engineering firm Buchart Horn will pitch a pre-proposal at the next meeting and then make that same pitch to the supervisors during their next meeting.
      - *A note from your Documenter: Act 537 is a way to ensure mandated pumping and septic system care across the board. Anyone who would like to read more about the Pennsylvania Sewage Facilities Act (537 Act 537), [you can do so here.](#)*
- The sewer authority reviewed a financial document and a motion to accept finances was passed. *This document was not made available to member of the public in attendance or documenters.*
  - Hidden View Estates' most recent payment was in August, and their past due balance continues to grow.
- The 2024 budget was approved.
  - No changes to the base sewer rates were made.
    - “Historically, if you go back and look at what we originally did and where we end[ed] up, we have done better than what we anticipated,” said John Corman.

The next sewer authority meeting is scheduled for Nov. 27, 2023.

## Follow-Up Questions

- How is the Sewage Management Program (SMP) currently set up?
- What updates to Act 537 and SWP are being planned to stay compliant?
- What was the financial document approved during the meeting?

## Summary

- The sewer authority and Buchart Horn Engineering discussed creating a proposal to update or replace the tanks at the water treatment plant. Buchart Horn will pitch a pre-proposal at the next meeting.
- The sewer authority approved its 2024 budget, and no changes to sewer rates were made.

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