



TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING

NOVEMBER 7, 2024

9:00 A.M.

BAY AREA WATER TREATMENT PLANT

Partner	Member	Alternate
Charter Township of Bangor	Glenn Rowley (Vice-Chairman)	Karie Wardynski
City of Bay City	Bob Dion	Marty Jurish
Bay County Road Commission/ Department of Water & Sewer	Jim Lillo	Bill Schumacher
Beaver Township	Nick Tomczak	Mark Wackerle
City of Essexville	Craig Goulet	Scott Wittbrodt
Frankenlust Township	Ron Campbell (Chairman)	Jim Begick
Fraser Township	George Augustyniak	Mark Galus
Charter Township of Hampton	Terri Close	Donna Samyn
Kawkawlin Township	Sam Davidson	Sherrie Kruse
Merritt Township	Dave Schabel	Kathy Parrent
Charter Township of Monitor	Gary Brandt	Terry Spencer
City of Pinconning	Becky Lakin	George Johnson
Charter Township of Portsmouth	Bob Pawlak	Kevin Kokaly
Charter Township of Williams	Will Butterfield	Jerry Putt

1. Call to Order:

Chairman; R. Campbell called the Bay Area Water Treatment Plant Technical Advisory Committee meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

2. Roll Call – Members Present:

Ron Campbell (Chairman)
 Jim Lillo
 Gary Brandt
 George Augustyniak
 Terri Close
 Bob Dion (0911)

Glenn Rowley (Vice-Chairman)
 Craig Goulet
 Bob Pawlak
 Dave Schabel
 Becky Lakin

Alternates Present:

George Johnson

Sherrie Kruse

Others Present:

Ryan Goebel
Keri Christian
Trevor Jacobs

Carl Overly
Jennifer Schwager

Members Absent:

Will Butterfield
Sam Davidson

Nick Tomczak

3. Pledge of Allegiance:

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

4. Approval of Minutes:

Vice-Chairman; G. Rowley motioned; C. Goulet supported to approve the October 3, 2024 minutes as presented. The motion passed unanimously.

5. Public Comment:

None

6. 2025 BAWTP and Transmission Budget Approval:

J. Lillo motioned; D. Schabel supported the approval of the 2025 BAWTP and Transmission Budget as presented. The motion passed unanimously.

Beaver Township, City of Bay City, Williams Township – Absent

7. Superintendent Report:

Superintendent; C. Overly presented the treated water daily flow averages for October, showing a record high production/usage. A 2022 – 2024 flow comparison was displayed. The October water temperatures, chemical treatment, and treatment process were explained.

A lead and copper update was presented. The EPA lead and copper rule improvements were discussed.

Membrane replacements for 2024 have been completed.

Pipe supports for 2024 have been completed. Measurements have been taken for the 2025 pipe support project.

The VFDs have been installed on the clean-in-place and neutralization pumps; reducing electrical usage by 39.5%.

Carl explained the new fixed-flow filtration operations process at the BAWTP. This method aims to maximize flow capabilities while reducing runtime hours, backwashes, and chemical washes.

Engineering for the additional raw water tanks project has started. A service agreement has been signed. Data is currently being gathered by the engineers.

The BAWTP attended the National Night Out in August. During that event, customers were encouraged to sign up for tours of the BAWTP. Two tours were hosted with positive feedback from the participants. Public tours will continue to be offered and hosted.

The BAWTP held its 2nd EGLE Membrane Treatment class in October. Responses to this class have been overwhelmingly good. The class will be offered annually.

Carl reported a staffing update.

G. Augustyniak asked about the amount and location of pipes being replaced in 2025

B. Pawlak asked about the number of people allowed in the plant tour groups

Director Report:

Director; R. Goebel stated that he will be meeting with some members of the Bay County Commission and Finance Department to discuss the funding for the raw water tanks. The raw water tanks will be beneficial to all communities served by the BAWTP.

Accounting & H/R Manager; K. Christian gave a detailed explanation of the Bay County bond process. Transmission funds, cash flows, fund management, and estimates based on the ENR index were explained.

The Water System Advisory Council was developed by the state to keep the public aware and informed about lead and copper in drinking water and or any lead and copper issues.

The state requires a minimum of 5 members. Members; Vice-Chairman G. Rowley and T. Close both have terms that are ending.

There is also a resident member vacancy. One member is required to be a resident who is knowledgeable of lead and copper in drinking water. A retired City of Bay City Distribution employee has applied to fill the vacancy.

Ryan and Chairman; R. Campbell requested that any TAC member/alternate who is interested in joining the Water System Advisory Council please contact one of them. Member appointments will take place next month at the December WSAC meeting.

G. Augustyniak asked how the transmission fund is generated

T. Close requested a hard copy of the transmission fund graph

8. Other Matters:

Vice-Chairman; G. Rowley gave recognition to Gary Brandt and commended him for his many years of dedication and service to Monitor Township.


Accounting & H/R Manager; K. Christian announced that Annual DWS meetings are being scheduled with all affiliated communities.

9. Public Comment :

None

10. Adjourn:

D. Schabel motioned; G. Augustyniak supported to adjourn the meeting. The motion passed unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 9:26 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Jennifer Schwager 
WTP Administrative Assistant

Approved:  DATE: 12/5/24