

Northern Lancaster County Authority
Minutes of Meeting Held
March 9, 2026

The regular monthly meeting of the Northern Lancaster County Authority took place on Monday, March 9, 2026, at 7:00 PM. In attendance were board members Mike McHenry, Roger Sauder, Bob Thompson, Grant Wise and Steve Tomasko. Also in attendance were Norm Eaton, Superintendent; Kathy Homan, Administration; Austin Schneck, Authority Consulting Engineer and Mikayla Regan, NLCA operator.

- 1) Community Open Session
 - a) No one from the community attended the meeting
- 2) Minutes
 - a) Minutes from the February meeting were approved with Grant Wise abstaining as he did not attend the February meeting.
- 3) Check Record and Approval of Bills
 - a) Motion to pay bills was unanimously approved.
- 4) Plant Operator's Report
 - a) Plant Operator's Report on Flows, EDUs and Plant Performance
 - Last month's snow melt and rain increased flows a little.
 - b) Beam Road
 - The organic loading results are looking good and staff believe the issue has been resolved.
 - Reed Bed #1 - solids and filter sand removal, replace with recycled glass media, replant reeds
 - 5 vendors attended the pre-bid site meeting on 2/25/2026
 - Bidding closed on March 4, 2026
 - Includes removal of biosolid from reed bed 3 in 2026. Removal from beds 2 and 4 can occur in the next two years
 - Need bid contract for removal of sand and installation of glass media in bed 1
 - Will remove deteriorated wooden "gates" and replace with concrete in bed #1 (like other 3 beds)
 - VFD upgrade – Public bidding completed on November 5th. Awarded to Garden Spot Electric. GSE conducted a site visit on February 26
 - Storm flow mode valve actuators – Ordered 2 Rotork actuators through COSTARS
 - Influent screening auger – bottom of auger spiral eroded away – spiral has been delivered
 - c) PennDOT/Collection System Repairs
 - PennDOT canceled the meeting that was scheduled for March 3rd due to weather forecast. The meeting has been postponed until April.
 - d) Hawk Valley Phase II Bond Reduction Request
 - Landmark needs to vacuum test manholes and pressure test pipelines that were installed since the last bond reduction in 2022.
 - e) PA Small Water and Sewer Grant Update
 - NLCA did not receive the grant that Ebert Engineering applied for on behalf of the Authority.

f) 2026 Internship

- The Authority received one application for the 2026 internship program. The Board authorized the applicant to work for the Authority as an intern over the summer of 2026.

5) Administrative Items

a) Monthly Financial Reports

- Monthly financial reports were emailed to the Board for review.

b) Delinquents

- Delinquent accounts report was emailed to the Board for review.
- Four liens were removed from customers after paying their balance in full.
- The Board approved authorization to have the solicitor begin sheriff sale proceedings on account 10203.01.

6) Engineer's Items

a) Lauschtown Road Sanitary Sewer Replacement

- Brinkash completed the survey for the upstream area additional streambank restoration work.
- Drawings and permits are in progress and anticipated to be submitted to DEP for review/approval within the next week.
- 60% draft plans can be provided at the next meeting for review.

b) VFD Replacement Project

- Lead time on VFDs is anticipated at 8-10 weeks
- Garden Spot Electric noted that Eaton plans to support the VFD model through at least 2030.

c) Reed Bed Sludge Removal Project

- Bids were due on 3/4/26 at 2:00 PM.
- A tabulation of the bids received along with recommendation to award was provided at the meeting.
- Entech recommended and the Board approved awarding the project to Synagro.
- Media replacement proposal will be prepared.

d) 2025 Chapter 94 Report

- Preparation of the Chapter 94 report is in progress.
- Draft reports should be ready within the week.

7) Attorney's Items

8) Sign Checks

The regular monthly board meeting was adjourned at 7:50 PM.