

**LYKENS BOROUGH AUTHORITY  
MINUTES**

The Lykens Borough Authority held their regularly scheduled monthly meeting on Wednesday, September 10, 2025 at 6:30 p.m., in the Lykens Municipal Building, 200 Main Street, Lykens. Chairman Kerry H. Teter presided over the meeting. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited followed by roll call.

**PRESENT:**

Glenn Sedesse (late)  
Allen Snyder  
Nathan Pental  
Kerry H. Teter  
John Shultz

**ALSO PRESENT:**

Joseph Kerwin, Solicitor  
Ty Buffington, WTP & WWTP Operator  
Jeanette M. Crabb, Recording Secretary

**APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES:**

Upon a motion by John Shultz and seconded by Vice Chairman Nathan Pental the minutes from the August 13, 2025 monthly meeting were approved.

**RECOGNITION OF CITIZENS: NA**

**OFFICE & GENERAL BUSINESS:**

A written report was submitted by the Secretary to all members for the month of August 2025.

Upon a motion by Allen Snyder and seconded by Vice Chairman Nathan Pental the Secretary's Report was accepted.

**SOLICITOR'S REPORT:**

Solicitor Kerwin advised the agreement with Kerry Teter for the additional easement required for the DEP Wellhead Protection Plan for Well No. 2 has been signed and will be recorded.

Solicitor Kerwin advised a few new liens have been placed on the properties with over due water and sewer bills.

Solicitor Kerwin further reported everything is in order for Nathan McLaughlin and the water is scheduled to be hooked up this week.

Upon a motion by Allen Snyder and seconded by John Shultz the Solicitor's Report was accepted.

### **REPORT FOR WATER & SEWER:**

Upon a motion by John Shultz and seconded by Vice Chairman Nathan Pental the quote submitted by ICEA Solutions in the amount of \$5,980.00 to perform the annual maintenance for the chlorine gas feed equipment at the Water Plant was accepted.

Operator Ty Buffington reported a meeting was held with USG Water Solutions the company specializes in water tank inspections that meet DEP requirements. Ty advised the water tank in Lykens is due for some rehab work. Ty further discussed USG writes a contract and takes over the maintenance on the tank. The Authority would pay either \$193,000.00 each year for three years or \$125,000.00 - \$130,000.00 over 5 years. Once a plan is agreed upon whether the 3 year or 5 year plan the amount would then be \$21,998.00 per year with a 5-8 percent increase each year. USG covers all repairs once under contract. Ty further explained the Authority's water tank would have a complete cleaning and over haul inside and out including ladders as well as other safety measures. The tank would be drained possibly set up a temporary tank while the inside of the tank is cleaned and painted using the companies engineer and following DEP guidelines. Chairman Kerry H. Teter suggested looking for a grant to have the tank painted or at least look at other options possibly something less expensive. Chairman Kerry Teter asked the members to think about it considering it is a lot of money that we cannot sustain but also do not want to hand issues down to the next generation. Ty advised the tank can last forever if properly maintained.

Lead Operator Ty Buffington report the following.

1. This was the first month since Miller was let go that he has been doing the reporting.
2. The Fire Company responded to a leak at 212 North 2<sup>nd</sup> Street.
3. The bin blocks arrived for the stone pile.
4. The walls are up at the Race Street building; Herb will complete the electric shortly.
5. The gas and diesel tanks have been filled.

Chairman Kerry Teter advised he attended the meeting at Williamstown to discuss the management plan for the mountain land. Kerry said they helped us when we needed water so he felt it was best to attend. Kerry explained that Williamstown is signing a management plan for \$5,250.00 if Lykens would join with them, it would save them some money on the fee. A discussion took place on what the plan covers which basically is the fee just for a plan any additional involvement is an additional fee. Ty Buffington explained we already have a free plan with Nature Conservation once the grant opens up. The board decided not to join Williamstown Authority with the plan but rather speak to them about using Nature Conservation where they can also get a free plan established.

Upon a motion by John Shultz and seconded by Vice Chairman Nathan Pental the Report for Water & Sewer was accepted.

**TREASURER’S REPORT FOR WATER AND SEWER:**

A written report was submitted by Treasurer Deborah Ketner.

Ordinary and necessary expenditures that have been paid for the month of August are included on the Treasurer’s report.

Upon a motion by John Shultz and seconded by Glenn Sedesse the Treasurer's reports were accepted with permission to pay the following bills.

**From Water:**

1. Read & Associates, LLC in the amount of \$1,939.00 for coordinating with DEP, the purge of Well 3 and collect/deliver New Source Samples to ALS Environmental.
2. JHA Companies in the amount of \$50.00 for Professional Engineering Services provided for Well Development.
3. JHA Companies in the amount of \$40.00 for Professional Engineering Services provided for the Wiconisco Water Storage Tank Project.
4. JHA Companies in the amount of \$46.25 for Professional Engineering Services provided for the Wiconisco Water System Improvements – Phase 2.

**From Sewer:**

There was no permission to pay this month.

At this time Chairman Kerry H. Teter asked if anyone had anything else to discuss before an Executive Session.

An Executive Session took place from 7:11 p.m. through 7:13 p.m. for personnel matters.

Upon a motion by John Shultz and seconded by Allen Snyder permission was given to allow Nathan Pental to cash in 40 hours of comp time.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

There being no further business to come before the Board the meeting was adjourned at 7:15 p.m. upon a motion by Allen Snyder and seconded by Glenn Sedesse.

Jeanette M. Crabb  
Recording Secretary