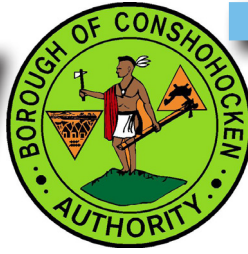


Authority Times

News and Information for Customers
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BCA Receives \$1.4M+ Grant

More than \$1.4 million in state grant funding will help the Borough of Conshohocken Authority increase efficiency and safety.

As part of the American Rescue Plan Act, Pennsylvania's Commonwealth Financing Authority announced in December that the Authority had been awarded \$1,454,471 as part of a larger grant aimed at funding projects for water supplies, sewer systems and stormwater management.

On Dec. 19, Pennsylvania State Repre-

sentative Greg Scott informed the Authority that we it had been approved to receive the grant funds from the H2O PA Program. The grant will be used to upgrade the plant's electrical sub-station, which is more than 30 years old. The sub-station receives electricity from two separate grids. In case one grid goes down, the sub-station switches over to the other grid and the plant stays energized without disruption to our treatment process. A modernized replacement will increase efficiency and safety.

Authority Board Has Two Vacancies

The Borough of Conshohocken Authority is looking to fill two vacant seats on its five-member board.

The Authority Board works closely with the Borough of Conshohocken Authority to provide safe wastewater treatment and quality control services to approximately 4,000 Borough of Conshohocken and West Conshohock-



en customers. The mission of the Au-

thority is to acquire, hold, construct, improve, maintain, operate, own, lease, in the capacity of either lessor or lessee, sewers, sewer systems or parts thereof, and sewage treatment works, including works for treatment and disposing of domestic sewage. New appointments and re-appointments usually occur in December or January annually.

BOARD MEMBERS

JANENE REILLY
Chair

TINA SOKOLOWSKI
Secretary

GEORGE BASS
Treasurer

APARNA CHHIBBER

MEETINGS

January 23

February 27

March 26

April 23

May 28

June 25

**Meetings are held in
the Borough Hall:
400 Fayette Street
Conshohocken**

Meeting time 6:30 pm

Brent Wagner is Here to Stay!

At the December 13 Borough of Conshohocken Authority meeting, the board voted unanimously to remove the “interim” from Brent’s Wagner’s Executive Director title. Since his hiring in January 2022, Brent has made a huge

impact and numerous positive changes at the Authority. With his 30+ years of experience in the wastewater field, he made swift progress in improving the Authority’s day-to-day operations.

One of his first projects was changing

the process in which we approach solids handling and our sludge inventory. He also led the charge to convert from using chlorine gas to liquid sodium hypochlorite, reducing one of the potentially most dangerous risks to our community.

Tips to Avoid Frozen Pipes This Winter

Leaky pipes that go unnoticed can easily become broken pipes, and in freezing temperatures even healthy pipes are vulnerable. Here are ways to prevent pipes from breaking and causing damage and costly repairs:

- Insulate exposed pipes and faucets outside and around your home, including those in unheated areas like basements, garages, attics or crawl-spaces.
- In severe cold, let cold water drip from faucets served by exposed pipes. Running a drip of water through the pipes helps prevent pipes from freezing because the temperature of the water is above freezing.
- If a pipe does break on your property, know where your water meter is and how to turn water off immediately to avoid further damage and water waste. Assess the damage immediately. Pipes can be thawed with a hair dryer.
- If you are taking a vacation or will be away for several days, turn off your water at the meter in case damage occurs or ask someone to watch your home in your absence.
- Outdoor hoses should be removed and stored. If available, shutoff outdoor water supply.



To Flush or Not to Flush?

These items should **NOT** be flushed down the toilet



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| • Baby wipes | • Feminine products |
| • Cat litter | • Paint |
| • Diapers | • Paper towels |
| • Disposable wipes | • Pesticides |
| • Fat, grease, oil | • Pharmaceuticals |