

# Elkland Borough Authority Regular Meeting Minutes

June Woodard, Chairperson - Present	
Mike Arnold, Vice – Chairperson – Present	Austin Welch – Present
Judith Farman - Present	Jeremy Freeman – Absent
James Farman – Present	

Members of the Public in Attendance: Clayton Fuhrer, Glenda Marzo – Burton, Trina Marzo, Anthony Marzo, Donna Blend, Jeannie Freeborn

Austin Welch did not vote on any motions; he stated the meeting was illegal.

**1. Call To Order:** 6:00 PM by Chairperson June Woodard

Austin Welch called a Point of Order before the Pledge of Allegiance; it was overridden by the Chairperson proceeding to the Pledge of Allegiance. Austin Welch continued to state that the meeting was not a “Regular” meeting according to the bylaws, as it was not on the regular meeting night set forth in the bylaws and was therefore advertised incorrectly and was not a valid or legal meeting.

**2. Pledge of Allegiance**

Austin Welch refused to stand for, or to recite the Pledge of Allegiance.

**3. Accept Minutes from September 10, 2025, Special Meeting:**

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James Farman stated that an announcement must be made about the meeting being recorded. Chairperson June Woodard announced that the meeting was being recorded by Austin Welch, it was also being recorded by Clayton Fuhrer.

Chairperson June Woodard asked for a motion to accept the minutes from September 10, 2025.

**A Motion** was made by James Farman to accept the Minutes from the September 10, 2025, Special Meeting. **Seconded, by Judith Farman. AIF Motion Passed.**

## 4. Public Comments

Trina Marzo asked if there was any answer from the lawyer on the sample Austin Welch took and sent to PACE Lab for testing. June Woodard stated that there was none. Was the sample acceptable as Austin Welch took the sample himself and she also asked if Austin Welch had repaid the Elkland Borough Authority for paying the bill to PACE Labs as he stated he would during the August 7, 2025, Regular Meeting. Austin Welch has not paid the bill, he maintains that that meeting was invalid, and the Authority has a hearing about invalid meetings on Friday at 1:00Pm. This is invalid as the hearing time is 1:30Pm. During this conversation Bubba Marzo asked if it was going to be brought up during the court hearing that Austin Welch misappropriated funds by having this sample taken, without the knowledge of the Authority as a whole and had the Authority pay for the bill and has not repaid the bill. James Farman said it would be brought up if it needed to be. Austin Welch said the “current” Authority members voted to take a private sample. Austin Welch maintains that the members of the Authority listed at the beginning of the minutes for this meeting are not the valid members of the Authority, William Hall, himself and Jeremy Freeman are valid members, and they voted to take a private sample. William Hall’s term expired on December 31, 2023. Clayton Fuhrer asked if this meeting (October 7) was legal given all the back and forth about past meetings being illegal, Austin Welch said no, the rest of the Authority said yes.

Jeanine Freeborn asked if there was an update to the Harlacker case. June Woodard, Chairperson, stated that the information was sent to the Authority’s lawyer, Mr. Wiley. Mr.

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Wiley has not given his opinion on the matter yet, but she believes there is a way forward. Ms. Freeborn then asked if there was an update on the Authority's website, there was later in the meeting.

Mike Arnold asked if Brad Upson had Austin Welch's PACE Lab sample results and Brad said yes.

## 5. Old Business

### I. Resolution to obtain interim financing for PennVEST Grant

The Authority's attorney Mr. Wiley asked for a resolution to obtain the interim financing needed to proceed with construction before the PennVEST Grant is settled. Chairperson June Woodard read the proposed resolution to the public:

“Resolution

Motion made by June Woodard and seconded by Jeremy Freeman, with a Roll Call Vote, with the members having voted as follows: Jeremy Freeman: Yes, June Woodard: Yes, Austin Welch: Yes, William Hall: Yes. The Elkland Borough Authority may obtain a line of credit from Citizens and Northern Bank for the Sewer Rehabilitation Project for \$1,863,730.00, for a term of 24 months or less until the PennVest Grant is secured.”

Chairperson June Woodard asked for a motion to accept and adopt the resolution,

A Motion was made by James Farman to approve and adopt the resolution. **Seconded** by Judith Farman. **A Roll Call Vote** was taken June Woodard: Yes, Mike Arnold: Yes, Judith Farman: Yes, James Farman: Yes. **AIF Motion Carried.**

### II. Documents in Possession of Authority.

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The Authority members were presented with a list of documents and copies of these documents that have been found while going through files. These documents are letters and receipts from the 1970's. Some Authority meeting sign in sheets from 2010 and 2011. These documents are of no use or value but must be retained due to the prohibition on document shredding imposed by the Authority Board at the behest of Austin Welch. Amanda Fuhrer stated in the meeting that documents that have been found are valuable, i.e. meeting packets or other documents that are still within the prescribed retention date range have been filled appropriately. Judith Farman asked what was the purpose of this agenda item, June Woodard, Chairperson stated that Amanda Fuhrer would like to return to shredding documents that are of no value. Austin Welch stated that there was already a resolution for no Authority documents to be shredded. Amanda Fuhrer responded that she had just been looking in the Authority Resolution book and there was no such resolution. Austin Welch stated that there was a motion made for no shredding of Authority documents and that motion passed so therefore there was a resolution. Amanda Fuhrer stated that there is limited space to store all these old documents that are not valuable and Austin Welch said the Authority could rent a storage unit for \$35.00 a month to put documents in. This item was tabled until a later date.

### **III. Accept Revised Consent Order**

June Woodard, Chairperson stated that there is a revised project schedule for the Consent Order Improvements project at the Wastewater Treatment Plant. Brad Upson from LaBella stated that Anne Hughes from DEP recommended that the consent order be moved out a little further than the time frame the Authority and LaBellas was estimating the project could be completed in, so there was a cushion of time in case something went wrong, and more time was needed. Then an extension to the consent order would not be necessary, because the time would already have been built into the consent order. The most critical milestone for this project is settling with PennVEST in or before February 2026. Brad Upson recommends we get moving forward.

June Woodard, Chairperson asked for a motion to accept and approve the revised project schedule.

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**A Motion** was made by James Farman to accept and approve the revised project schedule. **Seconded** by Judith Farman. **A Roll Call Vote** was taken June Woodard: Yes, James Farman: Yes, Judith Farman: Yes, Mike Arnold: Yes. **AIF Motion Carried**

Brad Upson presented an update on the 2024 Sewer Rehabilitation project. As of Friday October 3, 2025, 10 manholes had been completed. Hopefully, the rest will be done by October 10, 2025. He presented a map of the completed manholes and showed which manholes still needed to be done. June Woodard, Chairperson, said this was good news and this project would cut down on the influent getting into the sewer system. Brad Upson said that during the manhole rehabilitation three manholes had been found to have moving rims, they had not been cemented properly. These three manholes will have to be recemented and then can be rehabilitated with the 2026 Sewer Rehabilitation. Mr. Upson said as this was a field change there was no need for a vote to proceed with this matter. Brad Upson continued to the West Highland Pump Station Manhole, it has been upgraded and should be completed by October 8, 2025.

Please note, that as a result of Austin Welch's combative behavior and argumentativeness it is hard to follow the course of discussion and to decide what topics are of value to record in addition to the motions and reports. It is also difficult to report on the reports given due to this behavior.

## **6. New Business**

### **IV. Correspondence**

**Sewer Inspection Report.**

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Chairperson June Woodard read the Sewage Inspection Report from DEP. There was a meeting on September 5, 2025, between members of the DEP and the Elkland Borough Council and Elkland Borough Authority, as well as LaBella Associates and Sewer Plant personnel. In attendance were Austin Crouthamel, Anne Hughes and Allen Keim of the DEP, James Farman, June Woodard and Amanda Fuhrer for the Authority, Glenda Marzo – Burton for the Council, Mike Arnold and Brianna Simons for the Sewer Plant, Ann Crowley representing Pat Crowley of Pac Water LLC and Brad Upson and Alex Retzlaff for LaBella. Topics discussed: the status of the existing Consent Order and Agreement, payment of stipulated penalties and clarify responsible officials and Borough contacts. A letter was also sent to the Safe Drinking Water program discussing the new points of contact for the Department. The Responsible Official for the facility is June Woodard, Chairperson of the Borough Water Authority. After June Woodard had given out the details of this report, Austin Welch asked why all members of the Authority had not been made aware of the meeting. June Woodard, Chairperson, told him it was for the Sewer Committee, so they did not have to advertise the meeting per Sunshine Law requirements. Austin Welch continued to argue, saying that that was not the way the Authority used to function, they all had tours of the sewer plant when they first became members of the Authority.

## **V. Financial Report**

June Woodard, Chairperson, moved on to the Financial Reports. Austin Welch asked if the monies listed were all the money in and out of the water and sewer accounts. Glenda Marzo – Burton, V.P. Elkland Council told him it was all the money except payroll, because the way QuickBooks is set up payroll is a different account. Austin Welch stated that every dime that is spent must be accounted for and approved by the Authority and to not have all the money laid out again is a problem. Glenda Marzo – Burton told him there was a spending list that shows everything that was spent, other than payroll, because in QuickBooks, payroll is listed differently. Austin Welch said that payroll is different, and we need to find a way to see all expenditures and approve it. Clayton Fuhrer asked if employees payroll was a topic that the public should know. Amanda Fuhrer told him yes; her hourly rate is in the Minutes. June Woodard stated the Sewer Plant Employees are under a union contract that is public. June Woodard, Chairperson, read Bill Payment List from the Sewer Fund Checking Account

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\$43,948.08, from the Water Fund Checking Account \$21,754.01. The total the spent for bills in the period from August 7, 2025, to September 3, 2025, was \$ 65,702.09.

June Woodard, Chairperson, asked for a motion to accept the expenditures. Austin Welch stated that it was the Authority's money to spend and approve and that was the law.

**A Motion** was made by James Framan to accept the expenditures. **Seconded**, by Judith Farman.  
**AIF Motion carried**

## **VI. Committee Reports**

### **Update on the Consent Order Improvements Project**

The Influent Pumpstation and Barney Hill Easements have been sent to Penelec, as of October 7, 2025, they had been put on the schedule to have electric. Work should start at Barney Hill Pump Station around November 17<sup>th</sup>, subject to the letter of No Prejudice and Interim Financing.

### **Foundational Documents**

Report prepared by Amanda Fuhrer. Work has been done on the Bylaws to include the approved changes recommended by Attorney Maza in 2006, as well as some other details. A copy has been sent to Attorney Wiley for him to look over. Should be able to move forward with the Bylaw update soon.

Work has started on Code of Conduct.

### **Finance Committee Report**

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Report prepared by Amanda Fuhrer. Very preliminary work has started on the budget. With the impending separation coming I have been gathering information on the expenses the Authority will be responsible for. The Authority will pay 2/3 of the utilities at the office, employee salaries and healthcare. Fees for the attorney, engineers, CPAs. Etc. There are a lot of details to look into and find financial information on.

## **Communications Committee**

Report prepared by Amanda Fuhrer. The website is starting to come along. Mockup pages have been produced and looked over.

The Calendar page has trash pick – up, recycling and Authority Meeting schedule on it.

The Government page has the Authority members and Council members listed, as well as the term of office for Authority members and Authority Officers on it.

The Agenda and Minutes pages look good, just need agendas and minutes uploaded to them.

Ordinance page, need to decide what ordinances to put on the page and upload them.

The Business Page I am compiling a list of Businesses and their contact information to put on the page.

The Water pages need DEP Reports uploaded to them.

Overall, the page is coming together nicely and a few more details and it should be good to go soon.

Billing will be on the page as well, mirrored from the Borough page, so if people click on the Borough page it will take them to the Authority page, that is what we want to happen. Janine Freeborn asked if financials will be on the page. June Woodard, said yes, we could add those. Donna Blend asked if the website was available yet. No, it will be after the separation. Donna Blend then said that maybe that should go on the back on the water bill when it becomes available. June Woodard said that was a very good idea, but we weren't there yet.

## **VII. Reaffirm LaBella Engineering**

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“September 25, 2025

The Elkland Borough Authority would like to publicly reaffirm our commitment to working with LaBella Associates, particularly, with Mr. Brad Upson. We have experienced a good working relationship with the firm and Mr. Upson personally and plan, as well as hope, to continue that relationship.”

June Woodard, Chairperson asked for a motion to reaffirm LaBella.

**A Motion** was made by James Farman to reaffirm LaBella Engineering. **Seconded** by Judith Farman, **AIF Motion Carried**.

## **VIII.LaBella Engineering Presentation**

Before Brad Upson could start his report Austin Welch stated that about three weeks to a month ago, the Authority had a meeting and there was no plan to do any work at the Water Plant. He asked why there was an item listed on the agenda as “Preliminary Report” on the upgrade of the Water Plant. It was his understanding that Mr. Upson had said if the Authority was interested, he could do a mockup. June Woodard stated that was the purpose of the agenda item, to look into the expenses, etc. for possibly doing the Water Plant. Brad Upson said that the “Preliminary Engineering Report” is a document used by many funding and regulatory agencies including the Environmental Protection Agency, New York State DEC, Pennsylvania DEP and Rual Water, to look at a project and determine if they want to go into a full design and construction of a project. It is just a standard document and does not mean there has been any work done. It costs money and needs to be authorized beforehand to start one. There have been discussions and ideas talked about, but nothing has happened, for a few reasons, there have been concerns at LaBella’s about the “foolishness” that has been happening within the Authority for the past six months. Mr. Upson then said thank you for the letter; it will go a long way to convincing his bosses to stay in Elkland and work in Ekland. Mr. Upson said he thinks a filtration plant would be good for Elkland to filter out the iron and manganese, but Elkland is below the limit, so trying to find

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funding will be hard. To apply for funding, you need a PER, any engineering firm would require one.

It was at this point that the meeting really began to get out of hand, and I did the best I could to follow the discussion, but it was difficult.

During Mr. Upson's talk about what a PER is Austin Welch asked him if he knew what the iron levels were in Elkland. Brad Upson said yes, he knew and they were not high. Austin Welch said they are high, and they need to be independently tested. He said he wants a system inspection to see what is happening. Brad Upson said one test was high and that test was an anomaly. That test was conducted by PACE Labs and that is one reason why DEP does not recommend using PACE Labs. Brad Upson said Austin Welch does not know what he is looking at, and one bad test is not a reason to do a complete test of the system. The iron levels in the water are less than .1% of 100mg/l.

June Woodard, Chairperson asked for a motion to proceed with a PER.

**A motion** was made by James Farman to proceed with a Preliminary Engineering Report for upgrades to the Water Plant. **Seconded** by Mike Arnold. **A Roll Call Vote** was taken: June Woodard: Yes, Mike Arnold: Yes, Judith Farman: Yes, James Farman: Yes. **AIF Motion Carried.**

Austin Welch asked when the last time was the water plant was inspected, Brad Upson said the water plant is inspected all the time. Austin Welch repeated the question and Brad Upson said, "define inspection." Austin Welch said when was the last time someone, independently came in and walked through the plant that knows hands on what is going on. Then the engineer comes in and looks at what the report says. Jennie Freeborn asked why the Authority was going to pay LaBella if LaBella did not want to work with the Authority. While this side conversation was going on the roll call was being taken.

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Jannie Freeborn then asked why we were paying LaBella if they did not want to work with us. June Woodard, Chairperson said we were working with them because the majority of the members wanted to work with them. Ms. Freeborn said that if LaBella does not want to work with us why do we want to work with them? James Farman said LaBella's knows the system inside and out, it makes more sense to continue to work with them. There was a lot of argument going on with different parties at this point and June Woodard attempted to get the meeting back on track.

Brad Upson then went into his presentation on Hydraulic Modeling of the Elkland Water Distribution System. There is a need to have this done because the water flushing operations needs to be systematic; right now, when the system is flushed the water goes in both directions. We need the water to flow in one direction. We need to know how the water flows through the system. We need to see if the water can be looped around a dead end or if the loops are creating a problem. With hydraulic modeling a computer model of the system is created that can predict in what direction the water will flow, and how much water a hydrant can pump out. Very good when looking at looping. Hydraulic Modeling can push the water in one direction and can show where potential leaks may be in the water line are. To do hydraulic modeling a computer program needs to be written and the hydraulic flow testing needs to be done, to calibrate the model. Jeanine Freeborn asked how much this work might cost. It will be very expensive. Austin Welch then started talking about metals in the water coming out of suspension and then reforming in the water, and it would therefore be better to understand how the metals move. He continued talking about this until, June Woodard stated, and James Farman agreed that a proposal should be drawn up for hydraulic modeling, so it can be considered more thoroughly.

June Woodard then asked Brad Upson to talk about purchasing nitrate and phosphates credits. The deadline for purchasing the credits is six weeks away, Brad Upson does not think Elkland will have to buy any this year, Mike Arnold has been doing a good job at the sewer plant with his bugs. There is one issue that there are six weeks of data missing from the record and an average had to be taken. If the average is not acceptable to the DEP then some credits may have to be bought, but it would be a small amount. June Woodard said that last year the number of credits purchased was under \$2,000.00 and she thought the Authority should buy some for under \$1,000.00 then if the Authority needed them they had them and would not take the chance to

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miss purchasing them. James Farman said \$1,500.00 sounded like a better amount to spend. Brad Upson said that under the Consent Order improvements the Authority might be able to sell credits soon.

June Woodard, Chairperson asked for a motion to buy the credits.

**A Motion** was made by James Farman to purchase nitrate and phosphate credits for \$1,500.00. **Seconded** by Mike Arnold. **AIF Motion Carried**

## **IX. Martz Technology Water Plant Control Panel, Cameras and Phone**

The quote from Martz was presented. This quote is using Costars for Water Plant SCADA upgrade to Well 24. This is a \$4,000.00 a year plan to get more security at the Water Plant. What is at the Water Plant is more expensive and gives a lot of false alarms. Austin Welch stated this was already paid for, that was \$380,000.00. June Woodard said that it was for the Sewer Plant. When the package was first presented it was for the Sewer and Water Plants, when it was looked at the package was too expensive and would not work, so only the Sewer Plant was done. Austin Welch asked what happened to the money that was approved for that plan. The Elkland Borough Council paid toward the Sewer Plant, it was \$133,000.00 of ARPA money, said the Glenda Marzo – Burton, V.P of Borough Council. Austin Welch stated that the Sewer package needed repeaters, why did the Authority pay money to do the water and sewer project. June Woodard said the Authority did not spend money, that was just a quote. There were ARPA funds in the amount of \$133,000.00 that the Borough Council used to pay for the Sewer. June Woodard said this was a good package, but it needed to be tabled to make sure the Authority had the money for it. Austin Welch then stated that the Authority should ask Mr. Morgan if the Authority can videotape his property, the Authority does not own that property. Throughout this conversation Austin Welch became increasingly agitated.

## **X. Legal Invoice from Spencer, Gleason, Hebe & Rague.**

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In July 2025, there was a legal filing by an Authority member and a past member against another current Authority member for violating the Sunshine Act. This invoice was for the cost to represent former member William Hall and current member Austin Welch when they filed a case against current member June Woodard. A letter addressed to William Hall from William Hebe, Esq., which was sent with the invoice, stated he believed the invoice should be paid by the Authority and so had it addressed to the Authority. The bill was \$700.00.

June Woodard Chairperson asked for a motion on this matter.

**A motion** was made by James Farman to refuse to pay this invoice. **Seconded** by Judith Farman. **A Roll Call** vote was taken, June Woodard: Yes, Mike Arnold: Yes, Judith Farman: Yes, James Farman: Yes. **AIF Motion Carried.**

During this discussion there were a lot of arguments back and forth between Austin Welch and the other Authority members. I could not follow the complete argument and choice to concentrate on the main points of the motion and who voted for it. At one point Donna Blend asked June Woodard why Jeremy Freeman was not listed on the invoice. Austin Welch answered that Jerney Freeman did not take part in the legal action. His answering for June Woodard future inflamed the tensions in the room.

## **XI. Certificate of Deposit payout**

A letter dated September 16, 2025, from the Elkland Borough Council to the Elkland Borough Authority stated that there had been a certificate of deposit (CD) that had been held in the Borough's name that matured on September 6, 2025. This CD had been cashed out. The total amount of money paid out from the CD was \$317,187.35. The Authority – Sewer Reserve owned .4855 percent of the CD. The Authority – Water Reserve owned .24 percent of the CD and Elkland Borough owned .2745 percent of the CD.

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Cashier Check # 377683 for the amount of \$153,994.46 was payable to the Elkland Borough Authority – Sewer Reserve was given to Amanda Fuhrer, Treasurer of the Elkland Borough Authority on September 16, 2025.

Cashier Check # 377684 for the amount of \$76,124.96 payable to the Elkland Borough Authority – Water Reserve was given to Amanda Fuhrer, Treasurer of the Elkland Borough Authority on September 16, 2025.

After this was announced to the Authority board a discussion ensued that quickly descended to chaos. June Woodard, Chairperson, stated that she thought 25% of each check should be reinvested and the rest deposited into their respective accounts. James Farman stated that he thought 30% was a better idea. Austin Welch wanted to know where the money had come from. During the commotion that ensued Austin Welch was told repeatedly by Glenda Marzo – Burton, V.P. of the Borough Council that the money had come from the payout of a CD. That the money for the CD had come from a previous investment. That the Borough Council had made the investment. That the Borough Council controlled the Authority's money and would continue to control the Authority's money until the separation was complete. Austin Welch stated that the Borough Council had no business or authority over the Borough Authority's money. The transition period was over or should already be over and everything should be under the control of the Borough Authority. Austin Welch argued with Glenda Marzo – Burton so furiously that she came to the table to tell him in person to his face where the money was from. After Glenda Marzo – Burton returned to her seat June Woodard tried repeatedly to ask for motions to be made on what to do with the funds. Repeatedly Austin Welch interrupted her, stating that her requests were not specific enough, or by saying that the bank would not act upon the motions made at this meeting.

Finally, June Woodard was able to ask for motions to be made.

**A motion** was made by James Farman to open a Sewer Reserve account and a Sewer Certificate of Deposit in the Elkland Borough Authority's name using the funds obtained with Cashier's Check #377683, in the amount of \$153, 994.46. 25% of this check, which is \$38,498.615, will be used to open the Certificate of Deposit, for a term period that will yield the best rate of return. The remaining balance will be deposited into the newly opened Sewer Reserve account. This account will be a checking account. **Seconded** by Judith Farman **AIF Motion Carried**

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**A Motion** was made by James Farman to open a Water Reserve account and a Water Certificate of Deposit in the Elkland Borough Authority's name using the funds obtained with Cashier's Check # 377684, in the amount of \$76,124.96. 25% of the amount of this check, which is \$19,031.24, will be used to open the Certificate of Deposit for a term period that will yield the best rate of return. The remaining balance will be deposited into the newly opened Water Reserve account. This account will be a checking account. **Seconded** by Judith Farman **AIF Motion Carried**

**A Motion** was made by James Farman to open the above-named accounts at Citizens and Northern Bank, using the established Borough Authority Account Signers as Account Signers for these accounts. **Seconded** by Judith Farman, **AIF Motion Carried**.

## **XII. Sewer Plant Computer**

June Woodard stated that she thought there had already been an approved motion to buy a new sewer plant computer. Amanda Fuhrer asked which computer do you want? Several choices were presented to the Authority Board. June Woodard stated that she knew the computer needed a graphics card. Brad Upson stated that the Authority should check with Martz to ensure that the computer works with the new systems they are putting in the Sewer Plant.

June Woodard, Chairperson asked for a motion to purchase a computer subject to a review from Martz.

**A Motion** was made by Jame Farman to purchase a computer, subject to review from Martz. **Seconded** by Mike Aronld, **AIF Motion Carried**.

## **XIII. Part Time Sewer Plant Worker**

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A part-time Sewer Plant employee is needed to cover weekends, holidays and vacations. The pay rate is \$18.00 an hour, one is needed now because of the trade off on shifts. The training the is needed is for a couple of hours per week for a couple of months. Personnel Committee will have to meet with the Borough Council Personnel Committee to see what is needed. The person will be paid out of Sewer Funds.

## **XIV. Region 5 Fall Meeting**

The Authorities Region 5 Fall Meeting is coming up on October 16<sup>th</sup>. No one wanted to attend.

### **7. Public Comments on the Agenda**

Austin Welch stated that the “Public Comments” section and the “Public Comments on the agenda” sections needed to be reversed on the agenda.

Jeanine Freeborn stated that the behavior exhibited in the meeting was an embarrassment to Elkland and the insults were getting old. She further stated that the Authority needs to come together and work together or step aside. The problems in Elkland are too large for this behavior. It seems no one wants to fix the problems.

Austin Welch then asked Ms. Freeborn if her water had been tested, and she said no. There was argument that ensued because the water had not been tested. Ms. Freeborn has previously stated that she wants DEP, Pat Crowley, Mike Arnold and her representative present to do the test. DEP has stated that they will not come to do the test unless Ms. Freeborn files a formal complaint to the DEP. Ms. Freeborn refuses to do so as she maintains that it is not her job. To end the argument June Woodard stated that she would try to get into contact with Mark Accetulla at the DEP for Ms. Freeborn. June Woodward asked Ms. Freeborn if she had her permission to give her email to Mr. Accetulla if she was able to do so. Ms. Freeborn said yes.

### **8. Adjournment**

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June Woodard asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting.

**A motion** was made by Judith Farman to adjourn the meeting. **Seconded** by James Farman,  
**AIF Motion Carried.**

Meeting Adjourned at 8:05Pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Amanda Fuhrer

Elkland Borough Authority

Secretary/Treasurer