

HAINES-AARONSBURG MUNICIPAL AUTHORITY
BOARD MEETING
AUGUST 19, 2026

ATTENDANCE: Ian Smith Vice- Chairman, Tina Lamey Secretary-Treasurer, Lyle Stover Assistant Secretary/Treasurer, Kody Orndorf Member, Kimberly Claar Office Administrator, Bryan Muthler System Operator, Jason Wert & Fran Krull Rettew Engineering; and by phone Jodi Muthler System Operator.

CALL TO ORDER: Chairman Ian Smith called the August 19, 2026, meeting of Haines-Aaronsburg Municipal Authority to order at approximately 6:30p.m. The meeting was held in the Haines-Aaronsburg Municipal Authority Office Building located at 337 E. Aaron Sq. in Aaronsburg, Pa. The call to order was followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: None

MINUTES APPROVAL: Kody Orndorf moved to approve the regular monthly minutes as presented for July 15, 2026. Motion was seconded by Tina Lamey and the motion carried.
Vote: I.Smith -Yes; L. Stover-Yes; T. Lamey-Yes; K. Orndorf-Yes

OFFICERS REPORT: None

TREASURER'S REPORT: Kimberly Claar presented the Treasurer's Report dated August 19, 2026. Kody Orndorf moved to pay bills and approve the Treasurer's Report and Credit Card Statement as presented. Motion was seconded by Tina Lamey and the motion carried.
Vote: I.Smith -Yes; L. Stover-Yes; T. Lamey-Yes; K. Orndorf-Yes

SYSTEM OPERATORS REPORT: Bryan Muthler spent two days with Shannon from Aria Filtra for final inspection. Several things were found: No back pressure,
Contractor did not properly tighten equipment,
Had to do a temporary fix with a ball valve; will need to monitor,
There should be a check valve on each pump,
CIP Tank is already deteriorated,
Air compressor system needs valves installed; per Shannon (Aria Filtra),
CIP Tank Chlorine feed pump broke and sprayed all over Bryan. This may have happened due to overtightening by the contractor, and an air release is needed.

ENGINEERS REPORT:

Ross Torquato, Buchart Horn Engineers reported:

Water Treatment Plant Project Buchart Horn File No. 79012-00

a) As of last meeting, there were lingering items that I addressed but they were brought up in the letter from RETTEW. BH will address all items in a response letter near the end of this week or early next week.

i) PENNVEST Budget: I received a response from Leslie Cote, our PV Project Specialist, regarding the remaining project budget (approximately \$40,000). We can shift the remaining budget funds around to cover the Arrow invoice along with the Single Project Audit for 2026. CO No. 9 reflects moving funds from the Engineering category into the Administrative Costs and Financing/Accounting categories. It is attached. The Final PV Pay Requisition will include both of those items, which total \$23,560.22.

If I missed anything or anybody would like to discuss any of these items with me, please contact my office phone (814)826-3345 between office hours of 8 AM and 4 PM.

Recommended Action: Approval of Change Order No. 9 PennVest Budget Changes.
Approval of PennVest Pay Requisition No. 22 for \$23,560.22.

Kody Orndorf moved to approve Change Order No. 9 (PennVest Budget Changes). Motion was seconded by Tina Lamey and the motion carried.

Vote: I.Smith -Yes; L. Stover-Yes; T. Lamey-Yes; K. Orndorf-Yes

Kody Orndorf moved to approve PennVest Pay Requisition No. 22. Motion was seconded by Tina Lamey and the motion carried.

Vote: I.Smith -Yes; L. Stover-Yes; T. Lamey-Yes; K. Orndorf-Yes

RETTEW Engineering Reported:

Engineer of Record Services

- RETTEW reached out to the DCED analyst who is reviewing the recently submitted Local Share Account Statewide grant application to ask if there is any additional information they need for their review. In the meantime, RETTEW will be contacting State representatives to request their support for the project.

Water Treatment Plant Upgrades

- RETTEW coordinated with ARRO and HAMA to create the claim letter that was sent to Buchart Horn on August 4, 2026. On August 6, 2026, Buchart-Horn acknowledged the correspondence, and are reviewing the materials, and will provide a written response.
- RETTEW was also informed by ARRO that ARIA Filtra will be onsite on August 18, 2026, to conduct a multi-day inspection of both filters and conduct a CIP as part of their agreement and RETTEW attended the first day. This has led to additional items that should be addressed as part of the correction of defective work at the plant, and RETTEW will amend the letter to Buchart Horn.
- RETTEW is not yet proceeding with any design improvements for the facility to rectify the defective or unfinished work. Under the contracts that HAMA has with those parties, those parties should be correcting this work without additional cost to HAMA. If HAMA needs to correct work, RETTEW will be available to support.

Plum Street Water Main Replacement

- During the review of the grant application and OPCC, it was determined that the available funding may be more effectively allocated. RETTEW is currently reviewing the grant terms and conditions to determine whether the funds may be redirected to other eligible project activities. Potential alternative uses of the funding may include:
 - Relining the existing water main in lieu of full replacement, allowing for rehabilitation of a greater portion of the water line along Plum Street.
 - Installation of water metering infrastructure.
 - RETTEW is contacting relining manufacturers to obtain information and budgetary pricing for rehabilitation of the existing water main.
- RETTEW will follow up with Leslie Hosterman of SEDA-Council of Governments (SEDA-COG) on the Environmental Review Process and will coordinate with her as needed.

OLD BUSINESS:

Lyle Stover moved to approve the once-a-year service contract with Aria Filtration for \$9,197.00 per year. Motion was seconded by Kody Orndorf and the motion carried.

Vote: I.Smith -Yes; L. Stover-Yes; T. Lamey-Yes; K. Orndorf-Yes

Plant & Well Insurance Evaluation Review is ongoing and will have an update at the September meeting.

Well 8, Duncan Street, & Water Gap Road Bid Acquisition Discussion – Ongoing maintenance issues; will continue to discuss options and get cost estimates.

NEW BUSINESS:

Centre County Planning & Development Office Request – Rettew and Jodi Muthler will use KMZ files to help with this update request.

Dehumidifier needs to be replaced at Well 8. Lyle Stover moved to purchase a new dehumidifier at Hosterman & Stover's. Motion was seconded by Tina Lamey and the motion carried.

Vote: I.Smith -Yes; L. Stover-Yes; T. Lamey-Yes; K. Orndorf-Yes

SOLICITORS REPORT: None

ADJOURNMENT: Lyle Stover moved to adjourn the August 19, 2026, meeting at 8:03pm. Tina Lamey seconded the motion and the motion carried.

Vote: I.Smith -Yes; L. Stover-Yes; T. Lamey-Yes; K. Orndorf-Yes