Sewage Advisory Committee Minutes of the Meeting July 17, 2025

VOTING SEWAGE ADVISORY COMMITTEE (SAC) MEMBERS PRESENT

Robert Bressler, Pennsylvania Association of Professional Soil Scientists (PAPSS)
Adam Browning, Pennsylvania Onsite Wastewater Recycling Association (POWRA)
Brian Chalfant, Governor's Policy Office, Alternate
Roger Lehmann, Pennsylvania Association of Sewage Enforcement Officers
Duane Mowery, Chair, Pennsylvania Water Environment Association (PWEA)
Shannon Drosnock, Pennsylvania Municipal Authorities Association, Alternate
Joseph Valentine, Pennsylvania Septage Management Association (PSMA)
John Peffer, County Departments of Health and Health Agencies

MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC PRESENT

Members of the public were present but not identified.

<u>DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION (DEP) STAFF PRESENT</u> (CENTRAL OFFICE ONLY)

Charles Klinger, Water Program Specialist, Planning Section, DMF, BCW Jay Patel, Assistant Bureau Director, DMF, BCW Brian Schlauderaff, Environmental Program Manager, CW Richard Wright, Environmental Program Manager, DMF, BCW Adam Duh, Attorney, Office of Chief Counsel

CALL TO ORDER AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The meeting was called to order by Chair Adam Browning at 9:02 A.M. The meeting was conducted both in-person and on-line.

A quorum was present.

Chair Browning asked that Alternate members, if the Primary member is present, hold comments until the public comments at the end of the meeting.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

ACTION ITEMS

None

DISCUSSION/INFORMATION ITEMS

O Discussion began on the draft regulations. Proposed Chapter 71.72, Sewage management programs for Department-permitted sewage facilities and community onlot sewage systems, and 71.73, Sewage management programs for sewage facilities permitted by local agencies, were discussed. Additional discussion may be needed on what defines a malfunction and what an onlot sewage disposal system inspection entails for these sections. Chapter 73, beginning with 73.2, Scope, and ending with 73.13 Minimum Horizontal Isolation Distances were discussed.

PUBLIC COMMENT

• Paul Golrick – Comment outside of public comment period. Asked to look up definition of sinkhole. USGS definition includes closed depressions. Paul is ok with current definition, this is resolved.

None

SAC REQUESTED ITEMS

None

NEW BUSINESS

Chair Browning called for any new business from the committee. Next meeting will be July 23, 2025, at 9:00.

ADJOURNMENT

SAC meeting was adjourned at 1:04 P.M.

NEXT MEETING

Next meeting will be Thursday July 23, 2025, Boyertown Community Ambulance Service Building, 2 E. 2nd Street, Boyertown, PA 19512, to be held virtually and in person. Notice of the meeting and meeting materials will be on the SAC webpage.