

Doylestown Township Public Water and Sewer Advisory Committee

Minutes of Meetings

February 16, 2023

In Attendance: Joe Van Houten, Chairman; John Canterbury (online), Vice Chairman; Matt Oakes, Member; Robert Shaffer, Member; Robert Repko, Member

Township Staff: Stephanie Mason, Township Manager

Supervisor Liaison: Dan Wood, Township Supervisor

Visitor in attendance: Judy Dixon

Reorganization: Board members agreed to renominate Joe as chairperson, Robert Schaffer as Vice Chairperson and Matt Oakes as Secretary

537 Plan Update: Joe Van Houten compared the 537 plan to a blueprint for the future and talks about where the current public sewer is and where it could be placed down the road.

PFOS/PFOA as they relate to private wells: Joe Van Houten asked if there was something we can do beyond education piece to encourage people to test private wells. How can we encourage people to go on the basic testing (coliform). While there is septic system testing when buying a house/mortgage to test for the age/function of the septic system, how can we encourage that testing with private well water? Matt mentioned he could share educational videos. John mentioned to see if a package deal was available from testing companies from board of health.

PFAS: Stephanie notes that the MCLs have also changed. Joe mentioned all Doylestown wells are within limits.

Dan offered idea to have testing costs offset if customers shared results.

Joe mentioned he will keep the board up to date on talks with authority.

Next meeting scheduled for March 16th

Meeting adjourned at 5:46