

Lower Mahanoy Township Municipal Authority



Office Hours

- ❖ *Tuesdays* 9:00 am - 3:30 pm
- ❖ *Wednesdays* 9:00 am - 3:30 pm
- ❖ *Thursdays* 9:00 am - 3:30 pm

Telephone: 570-758- 3615 Fax: 570-758- 5465

Website: LMTMA.COM

CCR

The Lower Mahanoy Township Municipal Authority has their annual Consumer Confidence Report (CCR) available on its website LMTMA.COM. The CCR can be accessed at the following URL: <http://lmtma.com/files/documents/2013%20CCR%20.pdf> or by going to our website and clicking on the banner. If you do not have internet access and would like a copy please feel free to contact our office during regular business hours and we will be glad to supply you with a paper copy.

WATER SYSTEM IMPROVEMENTS

The Board Members of the Lower Mahanoy Township Municipal Authority would like all their water customers to take a minute, review the back side of this newsletter and submit your comments so that the Board may make an informed decision as to whether or not to proceed with the water project. Comment slips may be submitted along with your next payment.

POOL FILLING

If a consumer desires to fill or add water (300 gallons or more) to a swimming pool, the consumer must contact the Authority or its operator to obtain the written permission as to the time, date and amount of water which the consumer may use to fill or add to the pool and any restrictions that may be placed upon the water service at that time. If the consumer violates this provision, the water service to the property may immediately be terminated without prior notice and in addition, the violator shall be subject to the payment for the cost for termination or restoration of service, the actual or estimated amount of water used and a penalty of \$300 for damage to the water system. For more information, consumers may either contact the Municipal Office at 570-758-3615 or the plant operator at 570-274-0554 or you may send a request through our website under the customer service heading on the left of the webpage.

RESURFACING OR CEMENTING

The Authority would like to remind all its customers that if you are planning to resurface your driveway, cement new sidewalks or any other work that would come in contact with your water or wastewater service lines, you must contact our operator at 570-274-0554 at least 48 hours in advance of the work to be performed on your property.

Customer Service is Our #1 Priority
After hour contact – 570-274-0554

PROPOSED WATER SYSTEM IMPROVEMENT PROJECT

The existing cast iron distribution mains have exceeded their useful lives with inadequate fire protection, leaks, air in lines, low faucet pressure, potential for collapse or rupture, boil water advisories, pressure drops and pipe tuberculation which amounts to reduced pressure, flow and pipe stability for our customers.

Fire protection and future growth in our community is hindered by the inadequate pressure provided by our reservoir. There is difficulty accounting to DEP for our customer's water usage. Just within the last five years, there have been 11 breaks and leaks within the cast iron portion of the system.

Penn DOT is proposing to resurface SR 147 (George St) in 2018 so following that any repairs that need to be made to our existing cast iron main has the potential to cost in excess of \$20,000 for each repair, resulting in an increase user rate of approximately **\$9 per month per incident**. PENNVEST (a funding source that the Authority utilizes for the sewer project) is currently seeking water system projects to fund.

The proposed work would include the replacement of approximately 1.5 miles of cast iron main with new PVC pipe, a new water storage tank, water meters & remote-read devices in each residence and new meter billing software.

The projected user rates for our water customers would increase to \$51 per month as opposed to the current \$38. The Authority's goal is to utilize PENNVEST as the primary funding source along with other available grant funds to maintain a maximum rate of \$51 per month.

After reading the above, please take some time and complete the section below and return with your next payment to our office. The Board Members are looking for your feedback as to whether to pursue this project.

Yes I would support a decision by the Board Members to move forward with this water project.

No I would not support a decision by the Board Members to move forward with this water project.

Comments: (optional)

Name: (optional) _____

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