

Meeting of February 16, 2012
Maintenance

A meeting of the Joint Meeting was held on the above date at the Maplewood Municipal Building at 4:10 p.m. Chairperson Rice in the Chair.

The Executive Director read the following statement:

Pursuant to Section #5, Chapter 231, P.L. 1975, notice of this meeting has been provided to the public by posting the notice of the meeting of the Joint Meeting on the bulletin board of the Maplewood Municipal Building; by mailing the notice of the meeting to the Star Ledger, The Home News Tribune and to the offices of the Municipal Clerks of the 11 member municipalities of the Joint Meeting and to the City Clerk of the City of Elizabeth and to the County Clerks' Offices of Essex and Union, all on December 30, 2011.

On roll call the following members were present: Messrs. Rice, Yakubov, Bomgaars, Florio, Ms. Jones, Leventhal and Spango. Ms. Garretson arrived at 4:15 p.m. and Messrs. Green, McDermott and Levison had notified the office that they would be unable to attend today's meeting.

Also in attendance were Messrs. McGhee, Terrezza, Sforza, Barry, Dowhan, Phillips and Berkeley, Esq. of Joint Meeting; E. Webster and J. Nobel Esq. of Trenk, DiPasquale et al., Joint Meeting's Consultants CME Associates (CME), Birdsall Services Group (Birdsall), AVA Consulting LLC (AVA), Global Logistics Group (GLG) and Mr. A. Adjepong of Public Works Management LLC (PWM), Consultants for the City of Newark.

The Chairperson led the pledge of allegiance.

On motion by Mr. Bomgaars, seconded by Mayor Florio, the minutes of the last meeting were approved as printed. On roll call; ayes, Messrs. Rice, Yakubov, Bomgaars, Florio, Ms. Jones, Leventhal and Spango; nays, none.

The **Treasurer's Report** having been mailed to the Board members, on motion by Mr. Bomgaars, seconded by Mrs. Leventhal, was received and ordered printed. On roll call; ayes, Messrs. Rice, Yakubov, Bomgaars, Florio, Ms. Jones, Leventhal and Spango; nays, none.

On motion by Mayor Florio, seconded by Mr. Bomgaars, Resolution 021, confirming the Committee Appointments made by the Chairperson of the Joint Meeting for 2012 was adopted. On roll call; ayes, Messrs. Rice, Yakubov, Bomgaars, Florio, Ms. Jones, Leventhal and Spango; nays, none.

Personnel & Procurement Committee: Mrs. Leventhal stated that the Committee had met, discussed and recommends authorization of the following: receipt of bids for various services, equipment and materials (R-022); award of a contract to JSH International for furnishing and delivering Non Bacterial Biological Enhancer for Anaerobic Digester Gas Production (R-023); award of a contract to WeCare Organics for Hauling and Beneficial Reuse of Dewatered Biosolids (R-024) and a Purchase Order to Clean Venture for Removal and Disposal of Iron Sponge Media (R-025).

On motion by Mr. Rice, seconded by Mrs. Leventhal, Resolution 022, authorizing the Procurement by Public Bidding of Various Services, Equipment and Material was adopted. On roll call; ayes, Messrs. Rice, Yakubov, Bomgaars, Florio, Ms. Jones, Leventhal and Spango; nays, none.

With regard to Resolution 023, CME Associates explained that the material would be added to the digesters to increase the amount of methane gas produced for the generation of electricity. The material would also increase the handling of the solids and reduce the amount of solids going to the Dewatering Facility which are transported out. In the contract there are degrees of success to be measured and certain benchmarks to be met which if not met then the contractor would be penalized.

Also, if Joint Meeting does not see the savings that were calculated the contract can be cancelled.

On motion by Mr. Bomgaars, seconded by Ms. Spango, Resolution 023, awarding a contract to JSH International for Furnishing and Delivering Non Bacterial Biological Enhancer for Anaerobic Digester Gas Production was adopted. On roll call; ayes, Messrs. Rice, Yakubov, Bomgaars, Florio, Ms. Jones, Leventhal and Spango; nays, none.

The Senior Project Manager explained that with the adoption of Resolution 024, Joint Meeting would no longer add lime to stabilize the biosolids for beneficial reuse. The savings would be significant because in addition to no longer buying lime, our transportation costs would be reduced.

It now being 4:15 p.m. Ms. Garretson arrived.

On motion by Ms. Jones, seconded by Mrs. Leventhal, Resolution 024, authorizing award of a contract to WeCare Organics for Hauling and Beneficial Reuse of Dewatered Biosolids was adopted. On roll call; ayes, Messrs. Rice, Yakubov, Bomgaars, Florio, Ms. Garretson, Jones, Leventhal and Spango; nays, none.

On motion by Mr. Bomgaars, seconded by Ms. Jones, Resolution 025, authorizing a Purchase Order to Clean Venture for Removal and Disposal of Iron Sponge Media was adopted. On roll call; ayes, Messrs. Rice, Yakubov, Bomgaars, Florio, Ms. Garretson, Jones, Leventhal and Spango; nays, none.

On motion by Mrs. Leventhal, seconded by Ms. Garretson, the **2011 Clean Water Enforcement, Treatment Plant and Industrial Pretreatment Reports** having been mailed to the Board members were received and ordered printed. On roll call; ayes, Messrs. Rice, Yakubov, Bomgaars, Florio, Ms. Garretson, Jones, Leventhal and Spango; nays, none.

On motion by Mrs. Leventhal, seconded by Ms. Jones, **Counsel Report** and the **Engineer's Reports** having been mailed to the Board members were received and ordered printed. On roll call; ayes, Messrs. Rice, Yakubov, Bomgaars, Florio, Ms. Garretson, Jones, Leventhal and Spango; nays, none.

The Correspondence will be printed in the minutes.

The Chairperson asked if there was anyone wishing to address the Board on any Joint Meeting matter with a five-minute limit. Hearing no one the Public Session was declared closed.

On motion by Mrs. Leventhal, seconded by Ms. Garretson, Resolution 020, Payment of Bills was adopted. On roll call; ayes, Messrs. Rice, Yakubov, Bomgaars, Florio, Ms. Garretson, Jones, Leventhal and Spango; nays, none.

Following an explanation by Counsel Webster that Croda's access agreement had lapsed, on motion by Mr. Rice, seconded by Ms. Jones, Resolution 026, authorizing execution of an Access Agreement with Croda, Inc. was adopted. On roll call; ayes, Messrs. Rice, Yakubov, Bomgaars, Florio, Ms. Garretson, Jones, Leventhal and Spango; nays, none.

Resolution 027, appreciation to Joseph Accardi, was read by the Executive Director and will be printed in the minutes.

On behalf of the Board, the Chairperson stated that it has been a pleasure serving with Mayor Accardi.

Old business: the Executive Director stated that he and CME Associates attended the National Association of Clean Water Agencies Conference in Los Angeles to accept the award won by Joint Meeting for an outstanding environmental impact project (Co-Generation).

It was the consensus of the Board that the municipalities be made aware of the receipt of this award for publishing in the local newspapers.

New business: the Executive Director stated that at the suggestion of the Chairperson, he and two (2) other members are having a tour of the Facility tomorrow. Any other member interested should let the Executive Director know. In addition, the Chairperson suggested that at least one (1) if not more meetings should be held at Joint Meeting's facilities.

There being no further business on motion by Mr. Bomgaars, seconded by Mrs. Leventhal, the meeting then adjourned to meet again on Thursday, March 15, 2012, at the Maplewood Municipal Building at 4:00 p.m. unless called earlier by the Chair. On roll call; ayes, Messrs. Rice, Yakubov, Bomgaars, Florio, Ms. Garretson, Jones, Leventhal and Spango; nays, none.

Respectfully submitted,

Theodore Green
Vice Chairperson/Secretary