

Meeting of April 18, 2013 Maintenance

A meeting of the Joint Meeting was held on the above date at the Maplewood Municipal Building at 4:00 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 26, 2012.

On roll call the following members were present: Messrs. McDermott, Rice, Levison, Bomgaars, Florio, Ms. Garretson, Jones and Leventhal. Messrs. Green and Cirilo notified the office that they would be unable to attend today's meeting.

Also in attendance were Messrs. McGhee, Terrezza, Sforza, Dowhan, Phillips, Barry and Berkeley, Esq. of Joint Meeting; E. Webster and J. Nobel Esq. of Genova, Burns, Giantomasi and Webster et al., Joint Meeting's Consultants CME Associates (CME), AVA Consulting LLC (AVA) and Global Logistics Group (GLG).

The Chairperson led the pledge of allegiance.

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

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

The following verbal report was given:

Personnel & Procurement Committee: Ms. Leventhal stated that the Committee had met, discussed and recommends authorization of the following: amending of contract with CME Associates for Professional Services related to Digester No. 2 Cleaning and Modifications (R-034); amending of contract with CME Associates for Professional Services related to Digester Gas Treatment Upgrades (R-035); Purchase Order to Moyno for Moyno Progressive Cavity Pump Rotors (R-036) and a Purchase Order to WSG & Solutions for US Filter Cog Rake Parts (R-037)

On motion by Mr. Florio, seconded by Mr. Bomgaars, Resolution 034, amending Contract with CME Associates for Professional Services related to Digester 2 Cleaning and Modifications was adopted. On roll call; ayes, Messrs. McDermott, Rice, Levison, Bomgaars, Florio, Ms. Garretson, Jones and Leventhal; nays, none.

On motion by Mr. Florio, seconded by Mr. Bomgaars, Resolution 035, amending Contract with CME Associates for Professional Services related to Digester Gas Treatment Upgrades was adopted. On roll call; ayes, Messrs. McDermott, Rice, Levison, Bomgaars, Florio, Ms. Garretson, Jones and Leventhal; nays, none.

On motion by Mr. Florio, seconded by Mr. Bomgaars, Resolution 036, Purchase Order to Moyno for Moyno Progressive Cavity Pump Rotors was adopted. On roll call; ayes, Messrs. McDermott, Rice, Levison, Bomgaars, Florio, Ms. Garretson, Jones and Leventhal; nays, none.

On motion by Mr. Florio, seconded by Mr. Bomgaars, Resolution 037, Purchase Order to WSG & Solutions for US Filter Cog Rake Parts was adopted. On roll call; ayes, Messrs. McDermott, Rice, Levison, Bomgaars, Florio, Ms. Garretson, Jones and Leventhal; nays, none.

Following a discussion on the 2012 Audit Report with regard to paragraph 8, page 21, litigation, claims and contingent liabilities, it was the consensus of the Board that the report not be accepted and the auditor be requested to submit an amended copy.

On motion by Mr. Bomgaars, seconded by Mr. McDermott, the **Treatment Plant and Industrial Pretreatment Reports** having been mailed to the Board members were received and ordered printed. On roll call; ayes, Messrs. McDermott, Rice, Levison, Bomgaars, Florio, Ms. Garretson, Jones and Leventhal; nays, none.

On motion by Ms. Jones, seconded by Ms. Garretson, **Counsel, Conflict Counsel (no report)** and the **Engineer's Reports** having been mailed to the Board members were received and ordered printed. On roll call; ayes, Messrs. McDermott, Rice, Levison, Bomgaars, Florio, Ms. Garretson, Jones and Leventhal; nays, none.

The correspondence will be printed in the minutes.

The Executive Director distributed a synopsis of events, prepared by our consultants CME and AVA, that occurred and impacted Joint Meeting during Hurricane Sandy and what can be done to minimize any damages if another storm strikes. He also commented on the large amount of time spent by the Director of Administration and Finance and the Assistant Superintendent responding to the insurance company and FEMA regarding the damages incurred.

The Executive Director stated that as the safety of staff is important and in case there is a natural occurrence or an occurrence that was terrorist in nature he has requested staff to prepare an evacuation procedure for all the buildings which will be distributed to the employees.

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.

The Chairperson read the following statement which on motion by Ms. Jones, seconded by Ms. Leventhal, was received and ordered printed. On roll call; ayes, Messrs. McDermott, Rice, Levison, Bomgaars, Florio, Ms. Garretson, Jones and Leventhal; nays, none.

In accordance with Section 8 of the Open Public Meeting Act, Chapter 231, P.L. 1975, permitting the exclusion of the public from a meeting in certain circumstances and as the Joint Meeting is of the opinion that such circumstances presently exist as the general nature of the subject matter to be discussed is Personnel and it is anticipated at this time that this subject matter will be made public upon reconvening.

Upon reconvening on motion by Ms. Garretson, seconded by Mr. Bomgaars, Resolution 038, approving an Amended and Restated Employment Agreement for the Executive Director was adopted. On roll call; ayes, Messrs. McDermott, Rice, Levison, Bomgaars, Florio, Ms. Garretson, Jones and Leventhal; nays, none.

On motion by Ms. Jones, seconded by Ms. Leventhal, Resolution 033, approving payment of bills was adopted. On roll call; ayes, Messrs. McDermott, Rice, Levison, Bomgaars, Florio, Ms. Garretson, Jones and Leventhal; nays, none.

On motion by Mr. Bomgaars, seconded by Ms. Leventhal, Resolution 083-12 Approving the Qualifications for Various Professional Services and Extraordinary Unspecifiable Service Firms adopted at the December 20, 2012 meeting is to be amended with the deletion of Birdsall Engineering. On roll call; ayes, Messrs. McDermott, Rice, Levison, Bomgaars, Florio, Ms. Garretson, Jones and Leventhal; nays, none.

New business – Ms. Garretson stated that the Township of Hillside will be celebrating its 100th anniversary April 29th. She will send a schedule of the week’s activities in case anyone is interested in attending any of the activities.

There being no further business on motion by Ms. Jones, seconded by Ms. Leventhal, the meeting then adjourned to meet again on Thursday, May 23, 2013, at the Maplewood Municipal Building at 4:00 p.m. unless called earlier by the Chair. On roll call; ayes, Messrs. McDermott, Rice, Levison, Bomgaars, Florio, Ms. Garretson, Jones and Leventhal; nays, none.

Respectfully submitted,

Ronald C. Rice
Chairperson