

Meeting of June 16, 2011
Maintenance

A meeting of the Joint Meeting was held on the above date at the Maplewood Municipal Building at 4:15 p.m. Chairperson Leventhal 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 17, 2010.

On roll call the following members were present: Messrs. Green, Brewer, McDermott, Rice, Levison, Madden, Florio, Ms. Jones, Leventhal and Ms. Spango. Mayor Accardi arrived at 4:40 p.m.

Also in attendance were Messrs. McGhee, Terrezza, Sforza, Barry, Phillips and Dowhan of Joint Meeting; E. Webster and J. Nobel Esq. of Trenk, DiPasquale et al. and Mr. H. Johnsen of CME Associates and Messrs. J. Vena and P. Westhoven of Birdsall Services Group

The Chairperson led the pledge of allegiance.

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

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

Personnel & Procurement Committee: Mr. Rice stated that the Committee had met, discussed and recommends authorization of the following: amendment to Birdsall Services Group contract for Construction Administration for Service Water System Upgrades (R-047); award of contract to AVA Consulting LLC for Professional Engineering Services (R-048); Truck Scale Replacements (R049) which is being reviewed by CME Associates and Counsel; Grit & Screening Disposal (R-050); purchase order to Design Plastic Systems, Inc. for Furnishing Sodium Hypochlorite Storage Tanks (R-051); purchase order to Prodex for Furnishing a Digester Additive System (R-052); amending CME Associates Professional Engineering Services contract (R-053);

It now being 4:40 Mayor Accardi arrived.

Following an explanation by Birdsall Services of lead paint being discovered on the blower piping, Compliance with the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act and the "Made in America regulation, additional design services related to Alternative Manufacturer for the membrane filtration system and Construction Administration Time Extension being requested by the contractor, on motion by Mr. Madden, seconded by Mr. Brewer, Resolution 047, authorizing Amendment to contract with Birdsall Services Group for Construction Administration for Service Water System Upgrades was adopted. On roll call; ayes, Messrs. Green, Brewer, McDermott, Rice Accardi, Levison, Madden, Florio, Ms. Jones, Leventhal and Spango; nays, none.

Following a discussion of the receipt of RFP's for a professional engineering firm, on motion by Mr. Brewer, seconded by Mr. Madden, Resolution 048, awarding a contract to AVA Consulting, LLC for Professional Engineering Services was adopted. On roll call; ayes, Messrs. Green, Brewer,

McDermott, Accardi, Levison, Madden, Florio, Ms. Jones and Spango; nays, none; abstaining, Mr. Rice and Ms. Leventhal.

Due to exceptions taken by some bidders to issues in the specifications for Truck Scale Replacements, no action was taken by the Board on Resolution 049.

On motion by Mr. Rice, seconded by Mr. McDermott, Resolution 051, authorizing a Purchase Order to Design Plastic Systems, Inc. for furnishing Sodium Hypochlorite Storage Tanks was adopted. On roll call; ayes, Messrs. Green, Brewer, McDermott, Rice, Accardi, Levison, Madden, Florio, Ms. Jones, Spango and Leventhal; nays, none.

On motion by Mr. Levison, seconded by Mr. Brewer, Resolution 052, authorizing a Purchase Order to Prodex for Furnishing a Digester Addition System was adopted. On roll call; ayes, Messrs. Green, Brewer, McDermott, Rice, Accardi, Levison, Madden Florio, Ms. Jones, Spango and Leventhal; nays, none.

Following a discussion of the expansion of CME Associates existing contract, on motion by Mr. Madden, seconded by Mr. Brewer, Resolution 053 Amending the Professional Engineering Services Contract with CME Associates was adopted. On roll call; ayes, Messrs. Green, Brewer, McDermott, Rice, Accardi, Levison, Madden, Florio, Ms. Jones, Spango and Leventhal; nays, none.

Following a discussion on our nepotism policy, it was the consensus of the Board that in the future all professional service documents will require a provision that no family relative be a supervisor of a professional service provider.

On motion by Mr. McDermott, seconded by Mr. Green, Resolution 050 awarding a contract for the Removal, Transportation and Disposal of Grit and Screenings to Spectraserv Inc. was adopted. On roll call; ayes, Messrs. Green, Brewer, McDermott, Rice, Accardi, Levison, Madden, Florio, Ms. Jones, Spango and Leventhal; nays, none.

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

On motion by Mr. Rice, seconded by Mr. Brewer, **Counsel Report, Conflict Counsel Report** and the **Engineer's Report** having been mailed to the Board members were received and ordered printed. On roll call; ayes, Messrs. Green, Brewer, Rice, Accardi, Levison, Madden, Florio, Ms. Jones, Leventhal and Spango; nays, none.

The Executive Director stated that we have applied, received and will submit an application for the Governor's Excellence Award.

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 Mr. Levison, seconded by Mayor Florio, Resolution 044, Payment of Bills was adopted. On roll call; ayes, Messrs. Green, Brewer, McDermott, Rice, Accardi, Levison, Madden, Florio, Ms. Jones, Leventhal and Spango; nays; none.

On motion by Mr. Brewer, seconded by Mr. Madden, Resolution 045, authorizing Payment of Bills between June 17th through August 18, 2011 and Resolution 046, Third Quarter Assessment was adopted. On roll call; ayes, Messrs. Green, Brewer, McDermott, Rice, Accardi, Levison, Madden, Florio, Ms. Jones, Leventhal and Spango; nays, none.

New business – In answer to a request that Joint Meeting look at the possibility of using the Digester's for food waste processing, Counsel Webster explained that Joint Meeting presently is taking grease trap waste.

There being no further business the meeting then adjourned to meet again on Thursday, September 15, 2011, at the Maplewood Municipal Building at 4:00 p.m. unless called earlier by the Chair.

Respectfully submitted,

Edward A. Brewer
Vice Chairperson/Secretary