

Meeting of September 17, 2015
Maintenance

A meeting of the Joint Meeting was held on the above date at the Maplewood Municipal Building at 4:00 p.m. Chairperson Florio 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 and maintaining the annual notice of the regular meetings of the Joint Meeting on the bulletin board of the Maplewood Municipal Building; by mailing the annual notice of the regular meetings for 2015 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' Office of the Counties of Essex and Union, all on December 29, 2014.

On roll call the following members were present: Messrs. Hokanson, Levison, McTernan, Florio, Cirilo and Ms. Leventhal. Ms. Burgess arrived at 4:05 p.m. and Mayor Tillotson arrived at 4:25 p.m. Mr. Hughes and Ms. Saxton and Chaneyfield-Jenkins notified the office that they are unable to attend today's meeting.

Also in attendance were Messrs. McGhee, Terrezza, Phillips, Barry, Berkeley, Esq. and Ms. DeFrancis of Joint Meeting; E. Webster, O. Weaver and J. Noble Esq., Inglesino, Webster, Wyciskala & Taylor, LLC, Joint Meeting's Consultants CME Associates (CME) and Global Logistics Group (GLG) and Messrs. L Bunting and P. Sarin of Epic.

The Chairperson led the pledge of allegiance.

The Chairperson stated that with the leaving of Ms. Spango, a vacancy in the Office of Treasurer existed and nominations would be in order.

The Chairperson nominated Mr. McTernan for the Office of Treasurer which nomination was seconded by Ms. Leventhal.

The Chairperson asked if there were any further nominations. There being none, on motion by the Chairperson, seconded by Ms. Leventhal, the nominations for Treasurer was closed. On roll call; ayes, Messrs. Hokanson, Levison, McTernan, Florio, Cirilo and Ms. Leventhal; nays, none.

On motion by the Chairperson, seconded by Ms. Leventhal, Resolution R-077, electing Mr. McTernan as Treasurer was adopted. On roll call; ayes, Messrs. Hokanson, Levison, McTernan, Florio, Cirilo and Ms. Leventhal; nays, none.

The Board congratulated Mr. McTernan on his election as Treasurer.

Mr. McTernan thanked the Board for their support.

It now being 4:05 p.m. Ms. Burgess arrived.

On motion by Mr. McTernan, seconded by Mr. Levison, the minutes of the last meeting (June) and the Special Telecon Meeting (July 9) were approved as printed. On roll call; ayes, Messrs. Hokanson, Levison, McTernan, Florio, Cirilo, Ms. Burgess and Leventhal; nays, none.

On motion by Ms. Leventhal, seconded by Mr. Cirilo, the **Treasurer's Report** having been mailed to the Board members was received and ordered printed. On roll call; ayes, Messrs. Hokanson, Levison, McTernan, Florio, Cirilo, Ms. Burgess 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 Contract with CME Associates for General Engineering Services (R-080); award of a contract to JBL Electric for Replacement of 4160

Vac Parallel Feeder (R-081); award of a contract to Protective Paving, LLC for PST Parking Lot Grading and Paving (R-082); award of a contract to Tully Environmental, Inc. for Hauling and Beneficial Reuse of Dewatered Biosolids (R-091); Purchase Order to Metro Valve and Actuation Corp. for furnishing and delivering One (1) Electrically Operated Actuator (R-083), Purchase Order to Dave Heiner Associates, Inc. for furnishing and delivering One (1) Gas Detection System (R-084); Purchase Order to Industrial Metal, Inc. for Fabricating and Delivering Ten (10) Sludge Arms (R-085) Purchase Order to Theia Air, LLC for Supply and Loading of Activated Carbon Media for Iron Sponge Vessel #301 (R-086); Purchase Order to Valley Tech, Inc. for furnishing and delivering Eclipse Pumps and Repair Kits (R-087); Purchase of Energy Generation Services for Public Use through an Online Auction Website for the Procurement of Natural Gas (R-088); Appointing a Qualified Purchasing Agent and Increasing the Bid Threshold (R-089).

On motion by Mr. McTernan, seconded by Ms. Leventhal, Resolution 080, Amending Contract with CME Associates for General Engineering Services was adopted. On roll call; ayes, Messrs. Hokanson, Levison, McTernan, Florio, Cirilo, Ms. Burgess and Leventhal; nays, none.

On motion by Ms. Leventhal, seconded by Mr. McTernan, Resolution 081, awarding a Contract to JBL Electric, Inc. for Replacement of 4160 Vac Parallel Feeder was adopted. On roll call; ayes, Messrs. Hokanson, Levison, McTernan, Florio, Cirilo, Ms. Burgess and Leventhal; nays, none.

On motion by Ms. Burgess, seconded by Mayor Hokanson, Resolution 082, awarding a Contract to Protective Paving, LLC for PST Parking Lot Grading and Paving was adopted. On roll call; ayes, Messrs. Hokanson, Levison, McTernan, Florio, Cirilo, Ms. Burgess and Leventhal; nays, none.

On motion by Mr. McTernan, seconded by Mr. Levison, Resolution 091, awarding a Contract to Tully Environmental, Inc. for Hauling and Beneficial Reuse of Dewatered Biosolids was adopted. On roll call; ayes, Messrs. Hokanson, Levison, McTernan, Florio, Cirilo, Ms. Burgess and Leventhal; nays, none.

On motion by Ms. Leventhal, seconded by Ms. Burgess, Resolution 083, authorizing a Purchase Order to Metro Valve and Actuation, Corp for furnishing and delivering One (1) Electrically Operated Actuator was adopted. On roll call; ayes, Messrs. Hokanson, Levison, McTernan, Florio, Cirilo, Ms. Burgess and Leventhal; nays, none.

On motion by Ms. Leventhal, seconded by Mr. McTernan, Resolution 084, authorizing a Purchase Order to Dave Heiner Associates, Inc. for furnishing and delivering One (1) Gas Detection System was adopted. On roll call; ayes, Messrs. Hokanson, Levison, McTernan, Florio, Cirilo, Ms. Burgess and Leventhal; nays, none.

On motion by Mr. McTernan, seconded by Ms. Leventhal, Resolution 085, authorizing a Purchase Order to Industrial Metal, Inc. for Fabricating and Delivering Ten (10) Sludge Arms was adopted. On roll call; ayes, Messrs. Hokanson, Levison, McTernan, Florio, Cirilo, Ms. Burgess and Leventhal; nays, none.

On motion by Mr. Levison, seconded by Ms. Leventhal, Resolution 086, authorizing a Purchase Order to Theia Air, LLC for Supply and Loading of Activated Carbon Media for Iron Sponge Vessel #301 was adopted. On roll call; ayes, Messrs. Hokanson, Levison, McTernan, Florio, Cirilo, Ms. Burgess and Leventhal; nays, none.

On motion by Mayor Hokanson, seconded by Mr. McTernan, Resolution 087, authorizing a Purchase Order to Valley Tech, Inc. for furnishing and delivering Eclipse Pumps and Repair Kits was adopted. On roll call; ayes, Messrs. Hokanson, Levison, McTernan, Florio, Cirilo, Ms. Burgess and Leventhal; nays, none.

With regard to Resolution 088, CME Associates explained that Joint Meeting participated today in a reverse auction for the purpose of purchasing actual gas. Joint Meeting has two (2) accounts; 1) is account by which we purchase natural gas in order to supplement whatever methane gas that we have to produce electric in the Co-Gen. Typically, we use in excess of 550,000 therms a year. We presently have a two (2) year contract that expires in December and our estimated cost for the existing contract is approximately \$320,000.00. As a result of the auction we will be able to lock into a two (2) year contract with a price that will cost an estimated \$269,000.00 for a savings of approximately \$102,000.00 over a two (2) year period. This is a guaranteed savings because the cost of natural gas will eventually increase but we will be locked in at this cost, and 2) is a smaller account whereby we will purchase approximately 130,000 therms. The existing two (2) year contract is at a cost of approximately \$71,000.00. The new two (2) year contract will be approximately \$69,000.00 for a savings over two (2) years of approximately \$4,000.00. The large contract will be with Compass Energy and the smaller contract will be with South Jersey Energy and both contracts includes sales and use taxes.

On motion by Mr. Levison, seconded by Mayor Hokanson, Resolution 088, authorizing the Purchase of Energy Generation Services for Public Use through an Online Auction Website for the Procurement of Gas was adopted. On roll call; ayes, Messrs. Hokanson, Levison, McTernan, Florio, Cirilo, Ms. Burgess and Leventhal; nays, none.

On motion by Mr. McTernan, seconded by Mayor Hokanson, Resolution 089, Appointing a Qualified Purchasing Agent and Increasing the Bid Threshold was adopted. On roll call; ayes, Messrs. Hokanson, Levison, McTernan, Florio, Cirilo, Ms. Burgess and Leventhal; nays, none.

On motion by Ms. Leventhal, seconded by Mr. Cirilo, Resolution 078, approving payment of Bills was adopted. On roll call; ayes, Messrs. Hokanson, Levison, McTernan, Florio, Cirilo, Ms. Burgess and Leventhal; nays, none.

On motion by Ms. Leventhal, seconded by Mr. Cirilo, Resolution 079, Assessment for the Fourth Quarter 2015 was adopted. On roll call; ayes, Messrs. Hokanson, Levison, McTernan, Florio, Cirilo, Ms. Burgess and Leventhal; nays, none.

On motion by Mr. Cirilo, seconded by Mr. Levison, Resolution 090, Appreciation to Ms. Patricia Spango was adopted. On roll call; ayes, Messrs. Hokanson, Levison, McTernan, Florio, Cirilo, Ms. Burgess and Leventhal; nays, none.

With regard to Resolution 092, the Director of Administration and Finance explained that in October 2007 Joint Meeting entered into an agreement with Exeter House for the lease of our property located at 800-802 Westfield Avenue which cannot be built on because of our pipes running underneath the property. They have sold the property and are requesting authorization to transfer the lease agreement to the new owner, 550 Metropolitan Avenue Associates, LLC

On motion by Mayor Hokanson, seconded by Ms. Leventhal, Resolution 092, Execution of Assignment, Assumption and Consent of Landlord Agreement by and between Exeter House, LLC, 550 Metropolitan Avenue Associates, LLC and The Joint Meeting of Essex and Union Counties was adopted. On roll call; ayes, Messrs. Hokanson, Levison, McTernan, Florio, Cirilo, Ms. Burgess, and Leventhal; nays, none.

A meeting of the Finance and Budget Committee will be held on Thursday, October 8th at 9:00 a.m. in the South Orange Municipal Building, 76 South Orange Avenue.

On motion by Ms. Leventhal, seconded by Ms. Burgess, the **Treatment Plant and the Industrial Pretreatment Reports** (June, July and August) having been mailed to the Board members were received and ordered printed. On roll call; ayes, Messrs. Hokanson, Levison, McTernan, Florio, Cirilo, Ms. Burgess and Leventhal; nays, none.

On motion by Mr. McTernan, seconded by Mr. Cirilo, **Counsel, Conflict Counsel (no reports) and Special Labor Counsel** (June, July and August) having been mailed to the Board members were received and ordered printed. On roll call; ayes, Messrs. Hokanson, Levison, McTernan, Florio, Cirilo, Ms. Burgess and Leventhal; nays, none.

On motion by Mayor Hokanson, seconded by Mr. Cirilo, the **Engineer's Report** (June, July and August) having been mailed to the Board members was received and ordered printed. On roll call; ayes, Messrs. Hokanson, Levison, McTernan, Florio, Cirilo, Ms. Burgess and Leventhal; nays, none.

A discussion was held on CME Associates report on the Food-Waste for Co-Digestion Proposal Evaluation.

The correspondence was received and will be filed.

It now being 4:20 p.m. Mayor Tillotson arrived.

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 Mr. Levison, seconded by Mr. Cirilo, was received and ordered printed. On roll call; ayes, Messrs. Tillotson, Hokanson, Levison, McTernan, Florio, Cirilo, Ms. Burgess and Leventhal; nays, none.

In accordance with Section 7 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 Litigation and it is anticipated at this time that this subject matter will be made public at a later date.

Upon reconvening there being no further business on motion by Mayor Hokanson, seconded by Mr. Cirilo, the meeting then adjourned to meet again on Thursday, October 15, 2015, at the Maplewood Municipal Building at 4:00 p.m. unless called earlier by the Chair. On roll call; ayes, Messrs. Tillotson, Hokanson, Levison, McTernan, Florio, Cirilo, Ms. Burgess and Leventhal; nays, none.

Respectfully submitted,

Howard Levison
Secretary