

Meeting Minutes of August 20th, 2020

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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 2020 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 of the Counties of Essex and Union all on December 30, 2019 and provided special notice of the telephonic conference to the Star Ledger, The Home News Tribune and 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 of the Counties of Essex and Union as required by law.

On roll call the following board members were present: Ms. Holman, Ms. Burgess (joined the meeting at 4:11pm), Ms. Prupis and Messrs. Deluca, Petrosky, Clarke, Bowman, Florio, Ramos, Guarino and DeAugustine.

Also, in attendance were Director Johnson, Ms. DeFrancis; Messrs. Dowhan, Barry, Phillips, Jack Kelly and Berkeley Esq. of Joint Meeting; E. Webster and J. Noble, Esq. of Inglesino, Webster, Wyciskala & Taylor, LLC, R. Rivera, Esq. of Scarinci Hollenbeck, H. Johnsen, Nolan Towers and J. Bonaccorso of CME Associates, R. LaMendola of AVA Consulting LLC.

On motion by Mr. Deluca, seconded by Mr. Bowman, the minutes of the last meeting were adopted. On motion all in favor, nays, none.

On motion by Mr. Deluca, seconded by Mr. Guarino, the Treasurer's Report having been mailed to the Board Member was received and ordered printed. On motion all in favor, nays, none.

The following verbal report was given:

Personnel & Procurement Committee: Chair Mr. Ramos stated that the Committee met, discussed and recommends authorization of the following: Resolution for Professional Authorization to CDM Smith Inc. for Professional Engineering Services for Trunk Sewer Level Sensors and Control Systems (R-060/20), Resolution Authorizing the Execution of an Agreement with Great Lakes Environmental Center through New Jersey Harbor Dischargers Group for 2020-2021 (R-061/20), Resolution Authorizing a Purchasing Order to Allmark Doors for Repairs (R-062/20), Resolution Authorizing a Purchase Order to PDM Group for Service and Repairs to the Cogeneration Chiller (R-063/20), Resolution Amending Contract to SpectraServ Inc. for Removal, Transportation and Disposal of Grit and Screenings (R-064/20), Resolution Authorizing an Emergency Purchase to Stauffer Glove & Safety, Inc. for Furnishing and Delivering Safety Equipment (R-065/20), Resolution Authorizing the Sale of Surplus Personal Property no Longer

Needed for Public Use on an Online Auction Service (R-066/20), Resolution Authorizing Membership and Participation in the Union County Cooperative Pricing System (R-067/20).

On motion by Mr. DeLuca, seconded by Mr. Ramos, Resolution (R-060/20), Authorizing a Contract to CDM Smith Inc. for Professional Engineering Services for Trunk Sewer Level Sensors and Control Systems was adopted. On roll call: ayes, Ms. Holman, Ms. Burgess, and Ms. Prupis; Messrs. DeAugustine, DeLuca, Petrosky, Clarke, Bowman, Guarino, Ramos and Florio; nays, none.

On motion by Ms. Holman, seconded by Ms. Burgess, Resolution (R-061/20), Authorizing the Execution of an Agreement with Great Lakes Environmental Center (GLEC) through New Jersey Harbor Dischargers Group (NJHDG) for 2020-2021 was adopted. On roll call: ayes, Ms. Holman, Ms. Burgess, and Ms. Prupis; Messrs. DeAugustine, DeLuca, Petrosky, Clarke, Bowman, Guarino, Ramos and Florio; nays, none.

Steve Dowhan (Superintendent) gave a brief explanation about the JM's agreement with GLEC, their services, cost and who represents the NJHDG.

On motion by Mr. Guarino, seconded by Ms. Holman, Resolution (R-062/20), Authorizing a Purchasing Order to Allmark Doors for Repairs was adopted. On roll call: ayes, Ms. Holman, Ms. Burgess, and Ms. Prupis; Messrs. DeAugustine, DeLuca, Petrosky, Clarke, Bowman, Guarino, Ramos and Florio; nays, none.

Director Johnson clarified that a full frame replacement is proposed and that the doors will be fire rated.

On motion by Ms. Holman, seconded by Mr. Guarino, Resolution (R-063/20), Authorizing a Purchase Order to PDM Group for Service and Repairs to the Cogeneration Chiller was adopted. On roll call: ayes, Ms. Holman, Ms. Burgess, and Ms. Prupis; Messrs. DeAugustine, DeLuca, Petrosky, Clarke, Bowman, Guarino, Ramos and Florio; nays, none.

On motion by Mr. Bowman, seconded by Mr. Florio, Resolution (R-064/20), Amending Contract to Spectraserv Inc. for Removal, Transportation and Disposal of Grit and Screenings was adopted. On roll call: ayes, Ms. Holman, Ms. Burgess, and Ms. Prupis; Messrs. DeAugustine, DeLuca, Petrosky, Clarke, Bowman, Guarino, Ramos and Florio; nays, none.

On motion by Ms. Burgess, seconded by Ms. Holman, Resolution (R-065/20), Authorizing an Emergency Purchase to Stauffer Glove & Safety, Inc. for Furnishing and Delivering Safety Equipment was adopted. On roll call: ayes, Ms. Holman, Ms. Burgess, and Ms. Prupis; Messrs. DeAugustine, DeLuca, Petrosky, Clarke, Bowman, Guarino, Ramos and Florio; nays, none.

Michelle DeFrancis (Purchasing Agent) explained the reason for the emergency includes, but is not limited to bid threshold limit, tracking of purchases of safety equipment and supplies due to Covid-19, and FEMA reimbursements.

On motion by Ms. Holman, seconded by Mr. Bowman, Resolution (R-066/20), Authorizing the Sale of Surplus Personal Property no Longer Needed for Public Use on an Online Auction Service was adopted. On roll call: ayes, Ms. Holman, Ms. Burgess, and Ms. Prupis;

Messrs. DeAugustine, DeLuca, Petrosky, Clarke, Bowman, Guarino, Ramos and Florio; nays, none.

On motion by Mr. DeLuca, seconded by Mr. Florio, the Treatment Plant Report having been mailed to the Board members were received and ordered printed. On motion all in favor, nays, none.

On motion by Mr. Deluca, seconded by Mr. Guarino, the Industrial Pretreatment Report having been mailed to the Board members were received and ordered printed. On motion all in favor, nays, none.

On motion by Ms. Holman, seconded by Mr. Clarke, the Financial Report having been mailed to the Board members were received and ordered printed. On motion all in favor, nays, none.

On motion by Ms. Burgess, seconded by Mr. Deluca, the 2019 Audit Report having been mailed to the Board members were received and ordered printed. On motion all in favor, nays, none.

Mr. Deluca expresses his concerns about his discovery in the Audit report page 15, pertaining to the revenue expenses. Finance Committee will review and discuss at the next board meeting.

On motion by Mr. Deluca, seconded by Mr. Clarke, the General Counsel Report, Labor and Employment Counsel Report, Special Conflict and Pretreatment Violations Counsel Report (s) (Hamlin & Ridley, Antonelli Kantor, P.C. no report), and Engineering Report, having been mailed to the Board members were received and ordered printed. On motion all in favor, nays, none.

On motion by Mr. Petrosky, seconded by Mr. Clarke, the CSO Report having been mailed to the Board members were received and ordered printed. On motion all in favor, nays, none.

Ted Burgess gave the Board an update on the Long Term Control Plan, in regards to the agreement with the City of Elizabeth and New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection.

There was no Correspondence to be filed.

The Chairperson asked if there was anyone wishing to address the Board on any Joint Meeting matter with a five minute limit. On motion to open public comments by Ms. Holman, seconded by Ms. Burgess. Hearing no one, the Public Session was declared closed. On motion to close public comment by Ms. Holman, seconded by Mr. Guarino. On motion all in favor, nays, none.

There was no Closed Session.

On motion by Mr. Florio, seconded by Mr. Deluca, Resolution (R-059/20), Approving Payment of Bills was adopted. On roll call: ayes, Ms. Holman, Ms. Burgess, and Ms. Prupis; Messrs. DeAugustine, DeLuca, Petrosky, Clarke, Bowman, Guarino, Ramos and Florio; nays, none.

On motion by Mr. DeLuca, seconded by Mr. Bowman, Resolution (R-067/20), Authorizing Membership and Participation in the Union County Cooperative Pricing System was adopted. On roll call: ayes, Ms. Holman, Ms. Burgess, and Ms. Prupis; Messrs. DeAugustine, DeLuca, Petrosky, Clarke, Bowman, Guarino, Ramos and Florio; nays, none.

There was no Unfinished Business.

Next Meeting September 17th, 2020.

There being no further business on motion by Mr. DeLuca, seconded by Ms. Burgess, the meeting then adjourned to meet again on September 17th, 2020 unless called earlier by the Chair. On motion all in favor, nays, none.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Renee C. Burgess". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above the printed name and title.

Renee C. Burgess
Secretary

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