

Meeting of March 16, 2017 Maintenance

A meeting of the Joint Meeting was held on the above date at the Maplewood Municipal Building at 4:00 p.m. Chairperson Levison 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 2017 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 22, 2016.

On roll call the following members were present: Messrs. DeAugustine, DeLuca, Meola Levison, Sun, Florio and Ms. Talmadge. Mr. Guarino arrived at 4:05 p.m. Ms. Eglow and Chaneyfield Jenkins notified the office that they would be unable to attend today's meeting.

Also in attendance were Messrs. McGhee, Dowhan, Terrezza, Barry, Phillips and Ms. DeFrancis of Joint Meeting; J. Noble Esq. of Inglesino, Webster, Wyciskala & Taylor, LLC, R. Rivera and C. Michelson Esq. of Scarinci Hollenbeck; L. Drozd of Zinn Graves & Fields and 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 Ms. Talmadge, seconded by Mr. Sun, the minutes of the last meeting were approved as printed. On roll call; ayes, Messrs. DeAugustine, DeLuca, Meola, Levison, Sun, Florio and Ms. Talmadge; nays, none.

On motion by Mr. Meola, seconded by Mr. Sun, the **Treasurer's Report** having been mailed to the Board members was received and ordered printed. On roll call; ayes, Messrs. DeAugustine, DeLuca, Meola, Levison, Sun, Florio and Ms. Talmadge; nays, none.

The following verbal report was given:

Personnel & Procurement Committee: Mayor DeLuca stated that the Committee had met, discussed and recommends authorization of the following: Furnishing and Delivering Exhaust Catalyst Elements (R-035); Purchase Orders for Furnishing and Delivering Sump Pumps and Bases (R-032) and for Furnishing and Delivering Prefabricated Fiberglass Centrifuge Platforms (R-033).

On motion by Ms. Talmadge, seconded by Mr. Florio, Resolution 035, award of a contract to Miratech Group, LLC for Furnishing and Delivering Exhaust Catalyst Elements was adopted. On roll call; ayes, Messrs. DeAugustine, DeLuca, Meola, Levison, Sun, Florio and Ms. Talmadge; nays, none.

It now being 4:05 P.M. Mr. Guarino arrived.

On motion by Mayor DeLuca, seconded by Ms. Talmadge, Resolution 032, authorizing a Purchase Order to Dave Heiner Associates, Inc. for Furnishing and Delivering Sump Pumps and Bases was adopted. On roll call; ayes, DeAugustine, DeLuca, Meola, Levison, Sun, Florio, Guarino and Ms. Talmadge, nays, none.

On motion by Mayor DeLuca, seconded by Mr. Florio, Resolution 033, authorizing a Purchase Order to Design Plastic Systems, Inc. for Furnishing and Delivering Prefabricated Fiberglass Centrifuge Platforms was adopted. On roll call; ayes, Messrs. DeAugustine, DeLuca, Meola, Levison, Sun, Florio, Guarino and Ms. Talmadge; nays, none.

AVA Consulting stated that Millburn's letter has been received and the chart has been updated with the new information.

A thorough in-depth discussion was held regarding the Township of Union's request, at the January meeting, for reimbursement of streets located in the City of Elizabeth for which both Union and Elizabeth were assessed, billed and paid for. At the January meeting the Board requested AVA Consulting to meet with the municipal engineers, get data from them and report back to the Board on the I/I costs Analysis chart. The Board after reviewing AVA's report(s) will make a decision on this issue at the April meeting as to how the payments are to be paid. For example, possibly out of their surplus or as credits. As to whether the I/I amounts would be treated as an assessment, AVA Consulting explained that the I/I is only a portion of the assessment.

The Chairperson asked if there was anyone wishing to address the Board on any Joint Meeting matter with a five-minute limit.

In answer to questions from Mr. Saul Qersdyn of the Roselle Park News regarding whether resident's who did not allow anyone into their homes would be assessed at a higher rate; if there could be an option to use credits; will a resolution be prepared as to how to collect and/or distribute; what if the resolution does not pass; if the resolution is passed will a separate fund be set aside for it, Mr. Florio explained that there are two (2) parts to the assessment, 1) is the I/I (Infiltration/Inflow), and 2) is the household units, the EDU'S (Equivalent Dwelling Units). The Board is not saying anything about a higher rate to any resident. It will be the numbers calculated by AVA Consulting based on the information received from the municipalities. As to credits if Union gets a credit, then the municipalities that owe have to have a debit. The Board will consider all the information and then make a decision as to how it will be paid. As to putting aside separate funds that has not been decided.

The Chairperson stated that two (2) resolutions would have to be prepared, 1) as to how to go through the process and 2) how to pay. If the resolutions are not passed then the Board will continue discussions.

The Chairperson again asked if there was anyone wishing to address the Board on any Joint Meeting matter with a five-minute limit. Hearing no one on motion by Mayor DeLuca, seconded by Mr. Florio, the Public Session was declared closed. On roll call; ayes, Messrs. DeAugustine, DeLuca, Meola, Levison, Sun, Florio, Guarino and Ms. Talmadge; nays, none.

On motion by Ms. Talmadge, seconded by Mayor DeLuca, the **Treatment Plant and Industrial Pretreatment Reports** having been mailed to the Board members were received and ordered printed. On roll call; ayes, Messrs. DeAugustine, DeLuca, Meola, Levison, Sun, Florio, Guarino and Ms. Talmadge; nays, none.

On motion by Mayor DeLuca, seconded by Mr. Sun, the **General Counsel, Labor & Employment Counsel, Special Counsel for Pretreatment Violations and Conflicts and Engineering Reports** having been mailed to the Board members were received and ordered printed. On roll call; ayes, Messrs. DeAugustine, DeLuca, Meola, Levison, Sun, Florio, Guarino and Ms. Talmadge; nays, none.

The correspondence was received and will be filed.

On motion by Mr. Florio, seconded by Mayor DeLuca, Resolution 030, approving payment of bills was adopted. On roll call; ayes, Messrs. DeAugustine, DeLuca, Meola, Levison, Sun, Florio, Guarino and Ms. Talmadge; nays, none.

On motion by Ms. Talmadge, seconded by Mr. Florio, Resolution 031, Assessment for Second Quarter 2017 was adopted. On roll call; ayes, Messrs. DeAugustine, DeLuca, Meola, Levison, Sun, Florio, Guarino and Ms. Talmadge; nays, none.

On motion by Mayor DeLuca, seconded by Ms. Talmadge, Resolution 034, authorizing the Execution of an Access Agreement with the City of Elizabeth was adopted. On roll call; ayes, Messrs. DeAugustine, DeLuca, Meola, Levison, Sun, Florio, Guarino and Ms. Talmadge; nays, none.

The Chairperson read the following statement which on motion by Mayor DeLuca, seconded by Ms. Talmadge, was received and ordered printed. On roll call; ayes, Messrs. DeAugustine, DeLuca, Meola, Levison, Sun, Florio, Guarino and Ms. Talmadge; 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 the Chairperson explained that 1) it was the consensus of the Board that they not move Resolution 036, approving an Amended and Restated Employment Agreement for the Executive Director and 2) Counsel Nobel will distribute the performance evaluation and by the next meeting she should have the summary of the performance evaluation as well as the contract.

There being no further business on motion by Mayor DeLuca, seconded by Mr. Sun, the meeting then adjourned to meet again on Thursday, April 20, 2017, at the Maplewood Municipal Building at 4:00 p.m. unless called earlier by the Chair. On roll call; ayes, Messrs. DeAugustine, DeLuca, Meola, Levison, Sun, Florio, Guarino and Ms. Talmadge; nays, none.

Respectfully submitted,

Richard Sun
Secretary