

Meeting of June 16, 2016 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 2016 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 28, 2015.

On roll call the following members were present: Messrs. Whitaker, DeLuca, Tillotson, Hokanson, Levison, Sun, Florio, Cirilo, Ms. Talmadge, Burgess and Chaneyfield Jenkins.

Also in attendance were Messrs. McGhee, Dowhan, Terrezza, Phillips, Berkeley, Esq. and Ms. DeFrancis of Joint Meeting; E. Webster, O. Weaver and J. Noble Esq. of Inglesino, Webster, Wyciskala & Taylor, LLC, C. Michelson Esq. of Scarinci Hollenbeck; Joint Meeting's Consultants CME Associates (CME), AVA Consulting LLC (AVA), Global Logistics Group (GLG) and Ms. L. Drozd of Zinn Graves & Fields.

The Chairperson led the pledge of allegiance.

On motion by Ms. Chaneyfield Jenkins, seconded by Mr. Florio, the minutes of the last meeting were approved as printed. On roll call; ayes, Messrs. Whitaker DeLuca, Hokanson, Levison, Sun, Florio, Cirilo, Ms. Talmadge, Burgess and Chaneyfield Jenkins; nays, none; abstaining, Mr. Tillotson.

On motion by Ms. Ms. Chaneyfield Jenkins, 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. Whitaker, DeLuca, Tillotson, Hokanson, Levison, Sun, Florio, Cirilo, Ms. Talmadge, Burgess and Chaneyfield Jenkins; nays, none.

The following verbal report was given:

Personnel & Procurement Committee: Mr. Florio stated that the Committee had met, discussed and recommends authorization of the following: contract with CME Associates for Upgrades at the Thickener Facilities (R-067); Contract with Skyline Environmental for Safety and Health Audit (R-069); award of a contract to Komline-Sanderson for Furnishing and Delivering Spare Gravity Belt Parts (R-070); award of a contract to ADS Environmental Services for Upgrading and Servicing existing Wireless Wastewater Metering and Rain Gauge Equipment and Software (R-071); Purchase Order to Northeast Industrial Tech for Furnishing and Delivering Two (2) Shaftless Grit Screws (R-072); Purchase Order to Miller Mechanical Services for Replacement of Roof Top Unit (AC-2) and Evaporator at P&O Building (R-073); Change Order No. 1 to contract with Allied Construction Group, Inc. for Dewatering Facilities Upgrades (R-074) and Change Order No. 1 to contract with Coppola Services, Inc. for work at the Sludge Conditioning Facility (R-075).

On motion by Mr. Florio, seconded by Ms. Burgess, Resolution 067, authorizing a contract with CME Associates for Professional Engineering Services for Upgrades at the Thickener Facilities was adopted. On roll call; ayes, Messrs. Whitaker, DeLuca, Tillotson, Hokanson, Levison, Sun, Florio, Cirilo, Ms. Talmadge, Burgess and Chaneyfield Jenkins; nays, none.

On motion by Ms. Chaneyfield Jenkins, seconded by Ms. Talmadge, Resolution 070, awarding a contract to Komline-Sanderson Engineering Corporation for Furnishing and Delivering Spare Gravity Belt Parts was adopted. On roll call; ayes, Messrs. Whitaker, DeLuca, Tillotson, Hokanson, Levison, Sun, Florio, Cirilo, Ms. Talmadge, Burgess and Chaneyfield Jenkins; nays, none.

On motion by Ms. Talmadge, seconded by Ms. Chaneyfield Jenkins, Resolution 071, awarding a contract to ADS Environmental Services for Upgrading and Servicing existing Wireless Wastewater Metering & Rain Gauge Equipment and Software was adopted. On roll call; ayes, Messrs. Whitaker, DeLuca, Tillotson, Hokanson, Levison, Sun, Florio, Cirilo, Ms. Talmadge, Burgess and Chaneyfield Jenkins; nays, none.

On motion by Ms. Burgess, seconded by Ms. Talmadge, Resolution 072, authorizing a Purchase Order to Northeast Industrial Tech, Inc. for Furnishing and Delivering Two (2) Shaftless Grit Screws was adopted. On roll call; ayes, Messrs. Whitaker, DeLuca, Tillotson, Hokanson, Levison, Sun, Florio, Cirilo, Ms. Talmadge, Burgess and Chaneyfield Jenkins; nays, none.

On motion by Ms. Chaneyfield Jenkins, seconded by Mr. Cirilo, Resolution 073, authorizing a Purchase Order to Miller Mechanical Roof Top Unit (AC-2) and evaporator P&O Office Building was adopted. On roll call; ayes, Messrs. Whitaker, DeLuca, Tillotson, Hokanson, Levison, Sun, Florio, Cirilo, Ms. Talmadge, Burgess and Chaneyfield Jenkins; nays, none.

On motion by Ms. Chaneyfield Jenkins, seconded by Ms. Burgess, Resolution 074, authorizing Change Order No. 1 to Contract with Allied Construction Group, Inc. for Dewatering Facilities Upgrades was adopted. On roll call; ayes, Messrs. Whitaker, DeLuca, Tillotson, Hokanson, Levison, Sun, Florio, Cirilo, Ms. Talmadge, Burgess and Chaneyfield Jenkins; nays, none.

On motion by Ms. Chaneyfield Jenkins, seconded by Mayor Hokanson, Resolution 075, authorizing Change Order No. 1 to contract with Coppola Services, Inc. for work at the Sludge Conditioning Facility was adopted. On roll call; ayes, Messrs. Whitaker, DeLuca, Tillotson, Hokanson, Levison, Sun, Florio, Cirilo, Ms. Talmadge, Burgess and Chaneyfield Jenkins; nays, none.

On motion by Mr. Florio, seconded by Ms. Chaneyfield Jenkins, the **Treatment Plant and Industrial Pretreatment Reports** having been mailed to the Board members were received and ordered printed. On roll call; ayes, Messrs. Whitaker, DeLuca, Tillotson, Hokanson, Levison, Sun, Florio, Cirilo, Ms. Talmadge, Burgess and Chaneyfield Jenkins; nays, none.

A discussion was held on the new regulation, GASB 68, implemented by the State and is now a part of our financial statement. We have to report our share of the State's unpaid pension which is the unfunded portion not paid by the State. It is unknown at this time if Joint Meeting has to pay any of this but it does have to be included in the audit report. In addition, if the Amendment to our Constitution doesn't go through there is the possibility that the State will say that the employees are Joint Meeting's responsibility and Joint Meeting will have to take care of the pension which not only affects us but all the municipalities and authorities in the State.

On motion by Mr. Tillotson, seconded by Ms. Talmadge, Resolution 076, Certifying to The Local Finance Board Its Compliance regarding Annual 2015 Audit Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:5A-17. was adopted. On roll call; ayes, Messrs. Whitaker, DeLuca, Tillotson, Hokanson, Levison, Sun, Florio, Cirilo, Ms. Talmadge, Burgess and Chaneyfield Jenkins; nays, none.

Counsel Webster gave an update on the Spill Act which presently allows publicly owned sewage treatment facilities to be held liable in litigations with regard to discharges. Although Joint Meeting basically is only a conduit we have requested that the State Statute be amended so that not only Joint Meeting but other facilities also are not held liable for discharges and was passed by both Houses, However, the Governor did not sign or veto it, so it became a pocket veto. There is a resolution attached

which 1) is for the Board to vote on to encourage our State Legislature's to approve it again and for the Governor to sign it, and 2) a resolution similar to what the municipalities passed a few years ago.

On motion by Mr. Florio, seconded by Ms. Chaneyfield Jenkins, **Counsel, Labor & Employment Counsel and Engineering Reports** having been mailed to the Board members were received and ordered printed. On roll call; ayes, Messrs. Whitaker, DeLuca, Tillotson, Hokanson, Levison, Sun, Florio, Cirilo, Ms. Talmadge, Burgess and Chaneyfield Jenkins; nays, none.

The correspondence was received and ordered printed.

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. Chaneyfield Jenkins, seconded by Mr. Florio, was received and ordered printed. On roll call; ayes, Messrs. Whitaker, DeLuca, Tillotson, Hokanson, Levison, Sun, Florio, Cirilo, Ms. Talmadge, Burgess and Chaneyfield Jenkins; nays, none.

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

Upon reconvening it should be noted that Ms. Burgess left at 5:10 p.m. during Executive Session.

It was the consensus of the Board that Resolution 069 be tabled.

On motion by Mr. Whitaker, seconded by Ms. Chaneyfield Jenkins, **Special Counsel for Pretreatment Violations and Conflicts Report** having been mailed to the Board members was received and ordered printed. On roll call; ayes, Messrs. Whitaker, DeLuca, Tillotson, Hokanson, Levison, Sun, Florio, Cirilo, Ms. Talmadge, Burgess and Chaneyfield Jenkins; nays, none.

On motion by Mr. Florio, seconded by Ms. Chaneyfield Jenkins, Resolution 065, payment of bills was adopted. On roll call; ayes, Messrs. Whitaker, DeLuca, Tillotson, Hokanson, Levison, Sun, Florio, Cirilo, Ms. Talmadge, Burgess and Chaneyfield Jenkins; nays, none.

On motion by Mr. Florio, seconded by Mr. Tillotson, Resolution 077, authorizing the Executive Director to pay all Bills for Work Performed between June 17 through August 18, 2016 was adopted. On roll call; ayes, Messrs. Whitaker, DeLuca, Tillotson, Hokanson, Levison, Sun, Florio, Cirilo, Ms. Talmadge, Burgess and Chaneyfield Jenkins; nays, none.

On motion by Ms. Chaneyfield Jenkins, seconded by Mr. Cirilo, Resolution 066, Assessment for Third Quarter 2016 was adopted. On roll call; ayes, Messrs. Whitaker, DeLuca, Tillotson, Hokanson, Levison, Sun, Florio, Cirilo, Ms. Talmadge, Burgess and Chaneyfield Jenkins; nays, none.

There being no further business on motion by Ms. Chaneyfield Jenkins, seconded by Mr. Cirilo, the meeting then adjourned to meet again on Thursday, September 15, 2016, at the Maplewood Municipal Building at 4:00 p.m. unless called earlier by the Chair. On roll call; ayes, Messrs. Whitaker, DeLuca, Tillotson, Hokanson, Levison, Sun, Florio, Cirilo, Ms. Talmadge, Burgess and Chaneyfield Jenkins; nays, none.

Respectfully submitted,

Carl Hokanson
Secretary