Minutes of a PUBLIC MEETING of The Brick Township Municipal Utilities Authority Held on February 27, 2012 beginning at 6:00 p.m.

1. SALUTE TO THE FLAG OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

2. CHAIRMAN'S OPENING STATEMENT

Chairman Veni called the meeting to order and read the following statement: This meeting is being conducted pursuant to the Open Public Meetings Act, being Chapter 231 of the Laws of 1975. In accordance with the requirements of this law, a Meeting Notice was published on October 29, 2011 in the Asbury Park Press. Similar Notice was given to the Clerk of the Township of Brick and placed on the bulletin board maintained for this purpose by the Authority."

3. ROLL CALL

Allan E. Cartine Present
George Cevasco Present
Edward McBride Present
John Ciocco Present
Joseph M. Veni, PE Present

Members Absent:

Joseph P. Buttacavoli Patrick L. Bottazzi

Staff & Consultants Present

James F. Lacey, CPWM, Executive Director Frank Planko, CFO Joseph Maggio, PE, Director of Water Quality Steve Specht, PE, Director Engineering/Operations Scott Bundy, Director of Central Services Frank Pannucci, Director of Customer Accounts Marie Sylvester, Executive Supervisor Chris Koutsouris, Esq. Authority General Counsel John S. Truhan, PE, Authority Consulting Engineer Frank Holman, CPA, Authority Auditor

Chairman Veni stated, "Before I start the meeting let me recognize our Council President, John Ducey who is also our liaison for the MUA. And of course we have Mrs. Briggs. Rob Karl is an employee who will be giving us a presentation tonight."

4. Directors' Reports

a. <u>James F. Lacey, CPWM, Executive Director</u>

Director Lacey advised, "First up we have the ASR Well 15A. We seem to be moving along very well. Deputy Director Specht will want to add a little bit to this, but I am very happy with the progress we are making right now. Number two is Resolution No. 27-12 like in the past is essentially opposing the fluoridation. We can get into more detail, but essentially it puts another chemical into the water system and we have a lot of concern with storing the chemical on site. It might put us over the amount we have and puts us into another whole category with respect to storage. This board has opposed it in the past and it is something that keeps coming up and we need to talk about that. We have some annul bids and we have a letter under correspondence from Mr. Hann expressing his gratitude for the fine work that our distribution crew has done with respect to helping to get his service replaced and mapping it out and doing it in a very quick manner. Then of course we have an update on the Metedeconk River Watershed and Restoration plan. Rob Karl is here tonight to talk about that and then I just have some items for the closed session, possible litigation and contractual matters."

b. <u>Stephen T. Specht, PE, Director of Engineering/Operations</u>

Director Specht advised, "As Executive Director Lacey mentioned, Well 15A the pilot hole is now completed down to approximately 1900 feet below grade. The casing is in and grouted. Right now the contractor and our engineer CH2M Hill are doing a sieve analysis on the material that was removed from the hole so we can size it accordingly. Hopefully that analysis will be complete by tomorrow or the next day and we will start installing it. It is moving very well at this time. I do also have the annual road patch material bid. What that entails is our asphalt and crushed stone and dense grade aggregate. We bid this on an annual contract starting April 1st 2012 through March 31, 2012 and it is primarily for patching our services in the street as well as new services that are installed. Also I am looking for the Board's approval to readvertise the Mantoloking Road Telecommunications Co Co Co lease. It would be the fourth service provider on the Mantoloking tank. We bid this project previously twice. The first time it was \$45,000 minimum bid and we had no response. The second time we bid it back in June it was \$42,000 and we had no response. We followed up with a provider and they said they were still interested so I'm going to recommend that we advertise it one more time for \$40,000 a year minimum bid and see where that takes us. I am also looking for the Board to authorize me to proceed with the bidding for our pipe and appurtenances which is primarily hydrant parts to assist with our hydrant maintenance program that we do for the Township ad well as our water and sewer services that are installed on a regular basis by our distribution division."

Chairman Veni stated, "I have asked all of the directors to come up with their goals for the 2012 year and do you want to briefly discuss your goals. I know some of them are lengthy so be brief."

Director Specht replied, "Just to brief the Board, the Engineering Operations Department consists of the Engineering Department, the Collections Division and the Distribution Divisions. Throughout the year the Engineering Departments handles numerous capital improvement projects. The primary project that is going on right now as the Board is aware is well 15A. We are also in the design phase of two other major projects. One is the replacement of the flocculation equipment and sedimentation basin one and two, and hopefully that will be advertised within the next quarter. We will install that equipment probably after our heavy season this summer probably in the fall. We are also looking to upgrade three of our existing pump stations that have vintage 1975 diesel generators that are

no longer serviceable. We are looking to upgrade them with natural gas fired generators. They are in local neighborhoods and based on some feed back we find that natural gas is the way to go. Shortly, the Township will be performing on our behalf the replacement of upgrades to water mains on Fort Street and Glenwood as well as Hoffman Street. That work I would anticipate will start around March 15th. We are utilizing the Township Contractor Earle Asphalt to reimburse the contractor through our shared services agreement for that work. That should be completed hopefully for the next quarter. With regards to our distribution Division and our Collections Division, we will continue obviously to maintain our system. We have a number of smaller projects that we want to do this year. One of them is to right now we only have one existing feed into the Parkway Water System on Bayberry Avenue. We are looking to connect on two other streets that tie into the Pine View Estates Development over in Howell Township so we are looking to get that done. As well as continuing with our maintenance of our hydrants and our sewer systems and that is basically the goals that we have this year Mr. Chairman."

Chairman Veni stated, "I understand you have an emergency generator report from RVV?"

Director Specht replied, "Yes. I received a draft report for the emergency generators upgrades at this facility here. It is under review right now by me and Joe Juanillo, my project manager. Once our review is completed we will get back to RVV to finalize that report and then obviously get together. I will also give a draft copy to Director Maggio as well as Mr. Lacey and we will hopefully finalize that within the month."

Chairman Veni stated, "I know I have no side people here to help me but what happened to me? How come I am not going to get a report?"

Director Specht replied, "Would you like a draft report Mr. Chairman? If you want the draft report I can email it to you since it came by email the other day."

Chairman Veni replied, "Absolutely. How many pages?"

Director Specht replied, "It's like 27 pages."

C. Frank Planko, Chief Financial Officer

Director Planko advised, "First I just want to note that the Finance/Rate Committee didn't meet in February, probably the first month we missed in quite some time but there are a couple of issues I do want to talk about. First I want to talk about our Dental Coverage with Delta Dental. That coverage will be expiring on April 1st of this year. Last time I negotiated with them I got us a two year agreement. I have been in touch with IMAC and I have some questions and some recommendations. I hope to get something back very soon and probably within a week I will send a letter of recommendation to the Finance and Personnel Committee on our Dental coverage. I hope to do that in the next week. Just to make a note on the telecommunications tower bid that Director Specht talked about; we already have about \$297,000 in tower revenue. So that has turned into a nice source of revenue for us. We have seven contracts out there and this might add up to an additional \$40,000."

Chairman Veni asked, "Is that for one year or multiple years?"

Director Planko advised, "That is an annual. That is the 12/13 budget I have included \$297,000. I also have GASB45 on the agenda. My memo was included in the report to the Commissioners from

Director Lacey. It is a calculation that is required every three years. Basically what GASB dictates that benefits are considered a form of compensation at the time of employment, or when earned, in other words when the employee is employed. It requires us to put a liability on the balance sheet. It is an actuary calculation that takes into consideration a lot of thing such as mortality tables, health benefits, employee turn over, inflation and so forth. I did three price it. Summit Benefit Consultants were the lowest bidder which I was glad because they did the calculations for us three years ago. I will be asking the Board to approve that tonight so we are ready to go at the end of the fiscal year on March 31st because the Auditors will need that calculation when they produce our financial statements at the end of the fiscal year on March 31st. As far as goals for the Finance Department. I summarized that in my monthly report. One of the key things I will be looking at for this year in fiscal year 12/13 is to move onward with the purchase requisitions module through the coordination of our QPA. Most of the Board members know we have various dynamics SSL models which are Microsoft products. Our general ledger is Dynamics, our AP model is Dynamics and our payroll model is Dynamics and our most recent inventory module is Dynamics as well so we will be looking at that to see what they have out there on the market in order to cut down on the paper intensive purchase requisition procedure that we currently have. As a matter of fact, Director Bundy and I and a couple of others will be meeting on March 1st with one of our consultants that deal with Dynamics to move ahead on this."

Chairman Veni stated, "We definitely need a new inventory system."

Director Planko replied, "Well the inventory system we have but the purchase requisition system is what we need to replace."

Chairman Veni asked, "You don't feel the inventory system is good or bad?"

Director Planko required, "The inventory system here, as far as the inventory control was just replaced two years ago."

Chairman Veni stated "Well I am not happy with it just so you know so add that to your list."

Director Planko stated, "We can modify it."

Chairman Veni advised Comm. Cevasco that since he is new he should feel free to ask any questions he wants.

Comm. Cevasco stated, "Director Planko and I sat for about an hour and a half and he gave me a fairly quick synopsis of the majority of what he spoke about tonight."

d. Joseph Maggio, PE, Director of Water Quality

Director Maggio advised, "With regards to the goals for our Water Treatment Plant Operation and Maintenance Division is moving forward with our chemical treatment process modifications which have been discussed in detail in a number of Construction Committee meetings at the end of January. We did move forward with our full scale pilot study for our new coagulant ACH. It has only been a month but so far results are good and we are very confident that this is going to be a successful change. We have also started our pilot study of our corrosion inhibitor. In January we have reached our goal residual for ortho phosphate in the distribution system of .5 parts per million. We pretty much narrowed down and settled on a dosage rate based on our flow for corrosion. Both of these changes represent one

of the most significant modifications that we have ever undertaken. Just to let the Board know we are being methodical, very conservative and very cautious about these changes and we are monitoring every aspect of the treatment process to be sure that any changes we do make do not have any impact on water quality and we can always rely on our strong water quality going forward. With the Watershed area, I won't go into much detail because Rob Karl will be giving a presentation on our watershed restoration and management plan for the Metedeconk River that is a very large project and we do expect by the s summer to have completed Phase I of the project which is the preparation of the actual plan along with the input of stakeholders and approval of NJDEP and then move on to Phase II where DEP Grant money of \$466,00 has been given to us to implement some of the recommended projects that are included in the approved plan to improve and project water quality in the Metedeconk River. Our laboratory continues to try to market our services. As we have discussed 2011 was a very successful year with over \$100,000 in billable revenue from our laboratory. We have just recently submitted a bid to New Jersey Water Supply Authority to do additional laboratory services for them. There was a laboratory that dramatically undercut all other bidders so I don't believe we are going to be successful with that. I know there was a question at last month's meeting regarding shipping costs. We did an analysis of our shipping costs and found that for calendar year 2011 shipping costs for lab samples were \$4,200 or 4.2% of the laboratory revenues."

Chairman Veni stated that it seemed like a lot more money than \$4,200.

Director Maggio replied, "That is just for the shipping for samples. Not all of our shipping. In the spring our Distribution Water Quality Department in coordination with Central Services and Customer Accounts and Engineering/Operations will be undertaking a full system wide flushing of the distribution system. This is something that was last done I believe seven years ago. There is really no indication from a water quality perspective that it needs to be done, but as you all know we put out very high quality water into the distribution system with low turbidities and we don't get a lot of customer complaints for dirty water or taste and odor. As a general operation and maintenance exercise we are definitely due to have another system wide flushing. Which is basically that you flush out the system through hydrants of just settled solids and particulates that accumulate over time. The goals are marketing laboratory services, completing our watershed management plan and the completion of our chemical treatment process modification and also completing the system wide flushing. We do have some other projects that would fall under goals."

Chairman Veni asked, "Is that the one with the chlorine and the new location?"

Director Maggio replied, "That would be a long term goal because we won't be ready to move on converting our gas chlorine to a sodium hypochlorite generator until after we know that ACH is going to definitely be our coagulant. We have the rest of the year to complete our testing. We anticipate confirming that ACH is an effective chemical and that we are pleased with its performance by the end of the year after a full year of testing during different seasons, during different temperature conditions, during different flow conditions. Once that is completed we will will have as you know the capacity under our chemical storage regulations to accommodate the storage of hypochlorite on site instead of using gaseous chlorine without triggering some very onerous chemical storage requirements if we go above the threshold. But that real progress on that won't begin until after ACH is confirmed as our coagulant. We would like to have it really confirmed by the end of this year and then we will move right onto the sodium hypochlorite generator. We have two purchases on the agenda this month that will be discussed later. Also in our Watershed Department on January 24th we were called to a meeting at NJDEP where some environmental issues at the Stavola site right on the Metedeconk were discussed.

There were a number of land use issues and there were also some issues of high levels of PCE that we have historically found with our watershed monitoring. DEP is taking a new approach where in stead of enforcing and approaching these different issues with different departments they are trying to coordinate the enforcement into one effort. They actually had their deputy director of this department there and he was saying that this is something that is very new that came down from the commissioners. This is one of the first projects where they will approach it with a coordinated enforcement effort and they are trying to remediate some land use issues but also they would be looking to identify and remediate the source of this PCE levels that we are seeing in the River."

e. Scott Bundy, Director of Central Services

Director Bundy stated, "I have a few items on the agenda. First is the award of a replacement vehicle for one that was damaged. Second is a special use request for the Reservoir and the third is a rejection of bids on our SCAD Parts and Appurtenances. A few other items I want to bring up are we finally received our insurance reimbursement for the July 2011 storm. You might remember we submitted a claim and we got the entire amount back which is a really good job for everyone here that put the information together and Lisa my assistant for staying on it. We have a \$1,000 deductible and aside from that we got \$46,047 and some change which included a big chunk for the phones. We also received an insurance settlement on the Lumina that we are replacing for \$3,403 which is significantly higher than the Kelly Blue Book value. We were dealing with the other person's insurance company. I gave you a print out of potential placement of the plaque at the Reservoir. When you get a chance please take a look and let me know what you are thinking and we will try to modify it as you like. As far as the goals and objectives, because we have a new commissioner I just want to explain real quick Central Services is an all encompassing type group that comprises information technology, document archiving, GIS, SCADA, our computer control of the plant, communications, health & Safety, Regulatory compliance, buildings and grounds, fleet management and Reservoir operations. So we do everything from general maintenance up to technology type work. IT we have a few major programs that we are going to be working on. One mentioned by Frank is we are going to be working on the new purchase requisition program and doing an analysis of what our needs are and how we want to add. It makes sense what Frank says to stick with the core of what we have so we will look at it and make sure it fits what we want to do. We are also looking at network storage. We have a need because of some other programs to increase our computer network storage and we are forming a master plan or needs assessment. We will get back to you on that one when we figure out what it is that we need. Another thing that has become apparent is that printer cartridge costs are sky rocketing. It is easy to get a printer but the cartridges are expensive. We are going to try to work with Frank's department and see if we can do some consolidating and reduce the cost on that. Document archiving - our main goal this year is to take everything that we have done so far which is over the past decade and try to standardize it. We want to make sure that these documents are available to all programs so I want to make sure that the nomenclature is compatible. GIS - our major goals this year is to get our Infrastructure Management Plan program underway. We have looked at the software and kind of know where we are heading and that is going to be a big program for us. Just so you know ESRI, who are the developers of GIS technology have done a needs analysis and they are going to do a workshop to talk to each department director to see what they think they need and try to get this all on the right track. It would have cost us about \$7,000 and they are doing it at no cost. Communications, our major project that we are going to be working on this year is the card access system. These are the cards that you have to get into the building. We are looking at a new system. Also the fiber network sharing with the Township and the Board of Education. I mentioned this once before but we are going to let the Board of Education and the Township uses our fiber backbone. Right now off the back, these are the Township and the Board of Ed's numbers; they will save about \$100,000 in network access fees when we get this thing going."

Chairman Veni asked, "They save money and what do we get out of it?"

Director Bundy stated, "We have under utilized fiber so it is a win win. It doesn't cost us anything and they get to save a lot of money for the tax payers. Health & Safety and Regulatory Compliance - we plan on establishing an accident review committee and a full time safety committee too. The JIF is suggesting that we do this and then that way we can keep a better handle on some of the accidents, and try to help avoid them. We don't have that many but there are a lot of little nuisance things, but if you get buy in from the employees it will try to help tighten it up a bit. SCADA, you know we are rejecting the bids tonight but that is the major project for the next six months or so - replacing all of our PFC's which are items that control each of the devices in the plant and the process buildings. We are doing this all in house. At the Reservoir there is a major garden we are going to develop. When the Reservoir was first built we designated certain garden areas so this is garden area 9. It is an acre and a half parcel so it is a pretty big area that we are going to take care of. We want to bring power to the gazebos so they can have some lightning there at night. Buildings and Grounds, the biggest thing is the HVAC. We need to include more localized control. We have very few limited thermostats and control for the HVAC in this building which causes issues. We are going to put some localized controls so that people can be more comfortable. Fleet Maintenance really our only major goal this year is to keep the fleet running and to fulfill our requirements under the capital budget."

f. Frank Pannucci, Jr., Director of Customer Accounts

Director Pannucci advised, "For tonight's agenda I am requesting permission to purchase our supply for the next fiscal year of bills in the amount of \$9,216.50 from Staples Print Solutions. I will get more into that when we get to that on the agenda. I am also asking permission to go out to bid for meters and appurtenances for the next year as well as two customer reconciliations that I will go into detail when we come to that point in the agenda. As for our 2012 goals, just to bullet point for you our on line payments we have been taking for just under two years. At the end of this month we will have free automatic withdrawal for our customers. They can sign up once and whenever their bill is due it will be taken out free of charge for us and them. Also we are going to be including our CASS postal coding on the bottom of all of our bills and we are working with Mr. Bundy and IT to get that program in. It will save us approximately 15,000 a year on postage or about .10 a bill and it will get our bills out faster because they won't be sitting in post offices since everything is scanned now. As for our meters we are going to be looking for grant money for conversion to radio reads. Right now for a town of our size it would cost between five and five and a half million for the whole package. Obviously that is too much to do at once. We are going to be looking at grants and matching grants to try to do parts of the town at a time. Maybe do a few sections this year and the following year. We are going to be doing a change out with our meters. We have gotten away from the old brass meters last year and we like the Ipro meters from Sensus. If any of the commissioners want to see the difference I actually have both in my office and I'd be more than happy to show them to you if you'd like. One thing that I did miss is that our bills, we already have our program with Edmunds is already into the system but it is not operational yet and hopefully barring any issues by the end of the year we will be able to start emailing our customer bills. That will be good for the future both economically and for the environment."

Chairman Veni asked, "When you send out an email and they open it do we get a return notice that they did open it and receive it? That is something to think about."

Comm. Ciocco stated, "I am familiar with that type of thing and usually if someone's email is bad you will get a reject back so you will know that it didn't go through. You should have a report of the ones that didn't go through and you should be able to follow through and mail the paper bill out."

Chairman Veni stated, "The reason I am brining that up is because I have sent out emails and people never got them so now I say I want a return receipt so that when they open it up I get a receipt."

Director Pannucci advised, "It is just like our bills on line now. If you are going to pay on line you have to have a valid email address because you do get a receipt emailed to you as soon as you pay on line so they have ways to verify if people have correct emails."

5. Commissioner Committee Reports

a. <u>Construction, Buildings & Grounds Committee</u>

Comm. McBride advised "The Construction Committee did meet. We have four items on the agenda tonight. There is a minor subdivision and a new home at Parker and Princeton Avenues. We have the expansion of the Ocean Medical Center. There is a major site plan of the CVS drugstore on Drumpoint Road and Hooper Avenue and there is a major site that is going to be professional offices at 119 Chambers Bridge Road."

b. Finance Committee

Director Planko advised there was no Finance/Rate Committee meeting this month but the items that were important he mentioned earlier.

c. Rate Committee

Comm. Ciocco advised that we did not have a meeting of the Rate Committee this month.

d. Reservoir Committee

Comm. Ciocco advised "As Director Bundy mentioned we had applications for permits to use the Reservoir for the annual Easter sunrise ceremony. We submitted a permit application for the path to the parking lot at Trinity Church. We also discussed some ideas on uses for the site and Scott can you fill us in on a couple of the details of that?"

Director Bundy advised, "The pathway to Trinity Church was rejected as an asphalt path. We can put in like a cinder pathway but we'd have to go for a variance to get approval to put in the asphalt. We are going to put in the cinder now so we can start using it but I would like permission from the Board to go for the variance because I would like ultimately to have..."

Chairman Veni asked who rejected the asphalt.

Director Bundy replied, "Wall Township because there is too much impermeable cover and that site is zoned residential so it is a non-conforming use within that property and zone. They said the cover is too much. We can go for a variance. I would like to just give it a shot because I really don't want

people falling on cinders and a lot of people bring strollers and I don't want to clean it up either. It is going to be all over the place. I don't know if I need an ok?"

Counselor Dasti advised, "I think you should authorize him by voting on it to authorize Scott's office to go to the Zoning Board in Wall for that variance."

Motion to authorize this action by Comm. McBride. Seconded by Comm. Cartine.

AYES: Comm. Cevasco, Ciocco, Cartine, McBride, Veni

NAYS: None ABSTAIN: None

Director Bundy continued, "We do have some special use permits as Comm. Ciocco pointed out for St. Paul's Church as they have done in the past and there is an official vote on that later in the agenda. Because of the new parking areas that we are going to have up there we are going to have signage made so when I talked to Comm. Ciocco and Director Lacey about it I will get some samples made up and some ideas for everyone to look at. We also talked about potentially putting another restroom up by the Church. Right now we rent porta johns at a cost o \$1,200 a year. We are looking at alternatives or waterless type bathrooms. And we did talk about some other ideas for revenue generation up there and more broad uses if we can get all the stars to line up with the Township and things. There are different things we can do up there. There are also some sponsorship ideas that we were kicking around and I will probably get into more detail with the committee and come back to the full Board."

e. Watershed Committee

Comm. Cartine stated, "Last month I suggested that we bring Rob Karl here tonight to talk about the progress of the Watershed project and how we are utilizing our grant money. As you all know and I have tried to keep you updated, there are many stakeholders other than those people in Brick Township that are interested in the preservation of the Metedeconk Watershed. Rob Karl is here and why don't we as a suggestion Mr. Chairman, just go through the rest of the reports and then come back to Rob for the presentation."

f. Alternate Water Source/Energy Committee

Comm. Cartine advised, "We had no meeting last month. The engineer T&M is still working on that project and I haven't had any updates from Director Specht yet that but it is still a work in progress at this point."

g. <u>Hazmat Liaison/Committee</u>

Comm. Cartine stated, "We did not meet. I don't know whether Comm. Cevasco met. There was no meeting. Which just leads me to one thing. When we do that conversation to that alternate chlorine are we introducing a new hazmat situation or are we going to have to prepare ourselves for the handling of this particular chemical?"

Director Maggio advised, "We would actually transition from one type of potential emergency scenario to another. Gaseous chlorine you are dealing with gaseous chlorine which is very difficult to

control contains and remediate. Going to hypochlorite is a liquid compound. It is literally bleach and now we would move our emergency response team to more of a spill response team."

Comm. Cartine advised, "And we will be preparing ourselves for all of the eventualities on that through some training for our people."

h. <u>Security Committee - Exempt</u>

Chairman Veni advised that due to lack of participants we did not have a meeting this month.

At this point in the meeting Rob Karl, Water Source Supervisor provided the Board and staff with a 15 minute presentation on the Metedeconk River Protection Plan.

Following Mr. Karl's presentation, Comm. Cartine stated, "I would like to just make one comment on the presentation and one of the things that we are going to be challenged with in the future. The Metedconk Watershed, most of it is outsides the boundaries of Brick Township. The challenges are these - as the economy strengthens we will have to deal with development along that watershed. As it stands now the Township of Jackson there are proposals for a huge residential development in that area but these are some of the challenges that we will have to deal with in the future. One of the most important parts of this presentation and that is our ability to outreach and educate the politicians if you will the elected officials and all those people who live in the watershed as to the dangers of polluting it and of course affecting our water supply in the future."

<u>6.</u> EXEMPT SESSION (Personnel, Contracts & Potential Litigation Only)

Counselor Dasti advised, "Mr. Chairman we need to consider adopting a resolution to go into closed session to discuss contract matters, litigation and perhaps some personnel matters and the minutes of the meeting will be held confidential until the need for confidentiality no longer exists."

Comm. Cartine made a motion to move this resolution. Seconded by Comm. Cevasco

AYES;

Comm. Cevasco, Cartine, McBride, Ciocco, Veni

NAYS:

None

ABSTAIN:

None

The group entered exempt session at 6:55 p.m.

On motion duly made and seconded and a unanimous vote, the group returned to open session at 7:50 p.m.

7. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of the following meeting were distributed previously:

January 23, 2012

February 1, 2012

Comm. Ciocco made a motion to adopt the minutes. Seconded by Comm. Cartine.

AYES;

Comm. Cartine, McBride, Ciocco, Veni

NAYS:

None

ABSTAIN:

Comm. Cevasco

8. CORRESPONDENCE

2/9/12 Letter from Jack Hahn, 40 Seville Drive complimenting staff that reported to a leak at his residence

Comm. Ciocco advised, "We received a letter from a resident Jack Hahn complimenting the service that our employees provided."

9. APPROVAL OF BILL RESOLUTION

Comm. Cevasco read the Bill Resolution Dated February 27, 2012 in the total amount of \$2,747,606.09 as follows:

Total Operating Vouchers:	\$ 1,659,726.73
Total Payroll:	940,121.75
Total Capital Vouchers:	146,267.91
Total Bill Resolution	\$ 2,747,606.09

Comm. McBride made a motion to approve the Bill Resolution. Seconded by Comm. Ciocco

AYES;

Comm. Cevasco, Cartine, McBride, Ciocco, Veni

NAYS:

None

ABSTAIN: N

None

10. TREASURER'S REPORT

Comm. Cartine read the Treasurer's Report balances for the month ending January 31, 2012 as follows:

Unrestricted Funds:

Total Revenue Funds:	\$14,486.524.06
Total General Funds:	252,448.44
Total Unrestricted Funds:	14.720.972.50

Restricted Funds:

Rate Projection Maintenance Fund:	3,591,000.00
Future Capital Requirements Fund:	1,744,998.72
Working Capital Fund:	1,121,464.21
NJEIT Processing Fund:	1,741,197.82

Total Bond Funds:7,983,413.75Total Other Restricted Funds:1,785.980.49Total Restricted Funds17,968,054.99Total of All Fund Accounts:32,689,027.49

Comm. Cartine made a motion to accept the Treasurer's Report. Seconded by Comm. Ciocco

AYES;

Comm. Cevasco, Cartine, McBride, Ciocco, Veni

NAYS: None ABSTAIN: None

11. <u>DEVELOPER APPLICATIONS</u> – NONE

<u>11.1</u> <u>Preliminary Applications - No Further Action Required - NONE</u>

11.2 Other Applications –

2103 Edwin B. Lennon, Jr., Minor Subdivision Plan – Lennon Property, Parker Avenue & Princeton Avenue, Preliminary & Final, 1 Residential

Comm. McBride advised, "Project 2103, the applicant is Edwin B. Lennon Jr and it is a minor subdivision at Parker Avenue and Princeton Avenue. The subdivision plan indicates that the two existing properties are to be adjusted to provide a proposed 5,411 square foot area of property on Parker Avenue where a new residential house is to be constructed. The plan indicates that there will be no changes to either of the two existing residential homes which are located on the two existing properties. The plan indicates a proposed four inch diameter PVC sanitary sewer lateral, a proposed 4 inch diameter PVC sewer lateral and deep sewer house connection to provide sewer service. The plan indicates a proposed one inch diameter water service and that the owner will be responsible for hiring the utility contractor in order to install the new 1 inch diameter waste service line."

Comm. McBride made a motion to approve this application. Seconded by Comm.

AYES;

Cevasco.

Comm. Cevasco, Cartine, McBride, Ciocco, Veni

NAYS:

None

ABSTAIN:

None

2104 Ocean Medical Center, Expansion of Ocean Medical Center, Jack Martin Blvd., Preliminary & Final, TBD, Commercial

Comm. McBride advised, "Item 2104 is for the expansion of Ocean Medical Center at Jack Martin Blvd. The site plan indicates that a proposed four story building is to be constructed on the west side of the existing hospital. The total square footage of the new building on the addition is 139,099 square feet. The utility plan indicates that an 8" diameter DIP water main currently located in the area where the new building addition is to be constructed will have to be properly removed. The utility plan indicates that the 1650 feet of new 8" DIP water main is to be extended around the proposed

building addition. The utility plan indicates that three new full size fire hydrants are to be installed as part of the proposed 8" diameter DIP water main. The appropriate Brick Utilities easement will have to be provided. There are no new water service line connections into the new building addition for the proposed 8" DIP. The plan indicates that there will be a proposed extension of the 8" diameter PVC sanitary sewer line and the total length will be extended 200 feet with three new manholes to be installed. Each of the two proposed sanitary sewer connections to the new building addition will be an 8" diameter PVC sanitary sewer line and they will be two new individual sanitary sewer services.

Comm. McBride made a motion to approve this application. Seconded by Comm. Cevasco.

AYES:

Comm. Cevasco, Cartine, McBride, Ciocco, Veni

NAYS:

None

ABSTAIN:

None

2106 Feinburg & McBurney Realty Development, LLC, Major Site Plan, CVS Pharmacy, Drum Point Road & Hooper Avenue, Final, 1 Commercial

Comm. McBride advised, "Item 2101 Feinburg & McBurney Realty Development, LLC, is a major site plan for CVS Pharmacy to be located at Drumpoint Road and Hooper Avenue. The site plan indicates a proposed CVS pharmacy store to be constructed on three different properties at 2545 Hooper and 2549 Hooper Avenue and 176 Drum Point Road. The proposed size of the building that is to be constructed is 14,600 square feet. Sewer service is to be provided from the existing 4" diameter PVC sanitary sewer lateral. The plan indicates that two new water service lines which are proposed to be installed from the existing 6" DIP water main on Hooper Avenue. It shows that the existing restaurant, separate support building and the residential house which are located on the three different properties are to be removed.

Comm. McBride made a motion to approve this application. Seconded by Comm.

Cartine.

AYES:

Comm. Cevasco, Cartine, McBride, Ciocco, Veni

NAYS:

None

ABSTAIN:

None

2112 Michael Lombardi, Esq., Lombardi & Lombardi, PA, Major Site Plan Chambers Bridge Professional Office Bldg., Chambers Bridge Road, Preliminary & Final, 1 Commercial

Comm. McBride advised, "Item 2112 is Mr. Michael Lombardi, Esq., Lombardi & Lombardi, PA. This is a major site plan on 119 Chambers Bridge Road for a Professional Office Building. This is preliminary and final. The proposed 1705 square foot two story office building is to be constructed on the property. The building is to be occupied with a single tenant of law offices. The owner of the building is hereby advised that in the future if additional tenants are provided office space with individual rest room facilities, and or other water uses within the building the owner will have to make application with and pay all necessary fees to Brick Utilities for the installation of individual water service lines with separate water service curb boxes from the existing 20" diameter DIP water

main. The site plan indicates that the existing ¾ inch diameter water service line which provides water to the property is to be utilized to provide water service to the new office building. The owner and/or the utility contractor will be responsible for completing all work associated with the property adjusting the existing water service curb box. The existing 4" diameter PVC sanitary sewer lateral which provided sewer service to the property is to be utilized to provide sewer service to the new office building. A previously approved developer application file number 1997 for a proposed professional office building with two separate tenants that was proposed to be constructed on this Chambers Bridge Road property the board's final approval for this previously noted developer file was June 23, 2008 but the previous applicant requested that this developer application be closed out prior to doing any construction on the previously developed project.

Comm. McBride made a motion to approve this application. Seconded by Comm.

Cevasco.

AYES;

Comm. Cevasco, Cartine, McBride, Ciocco, Veni

NAYS:

None

ABSTAIN:

None

11.3 Release of Performance Bonds

Stop & Shop Supermarket Co., LLC, Stop & Shop Store Expansion, Bay Harbor Shopping Plaza, 55 Brick Boulevard

Director Specht advised, "This is for the Stop & Shop Store expansion at the Bay Harbor Shopping Plaza, 55 Brick Blvd. All of the improvements have been made and conform to the Brick Utilities requirements. Acceptance testing was performed back in February 2011 and receipt of Final asbuilt plan was April 2011. We just received the water utility easement modifications and I would recommend to the Board that the performance bond be released and allow the applicant to go on the two year maintenance bond."

Comm. McBride made a motion to release this performance bond. Seconded by Comm.

Cevasco.

AYES;

Comm. Cevasco, Cartine, McBride, Ciocco, Veni

NAYS:

None

ABSTAIN:

None

11.2 Other Applications – NONE

12. <u>UNANTICIPATED/EMERGENCY CAPITAL EXPENDITURES</u> - NONE

13. CUSTOMER ACCOUNTS RECONCILIATIONS

Director Pannucci reviewed the customer accounts reconciliations as follows:

a. Account 1962400-1, 424 17th Avenue, Diane Velders. A one time water/sewer credit is recommended in the amount of \$1,240.32 due to a leaking toilet. The average usage is 32,000 gallons and the quarter in

question rose to 236,000 gallons. All repairs have been made and verified and the meter is in working order.

b. Account 7533606, 29 Bay Way, Angelo Curcio. A one-time water/sewer credit is recommended in the amount of \$608.00 due to a broken pipe in the crawl space. Average usage is 0 gallons and the quarter in question rose to 101,000 gallons. All repairs have been made and verified and the meter is in proper working order.

Comm. McBride made a motion to approve the customer accounts reconciliations. Seconded by Comm. Cevasco.

AYES;

Comm. Cevasco, Cartine, McBride, Ciocco, Veni

NAYS:

None

ABSTAIN: None

<u>14.</u> **CONTRACT CLOSE-OUTS**

AUTHORIZATION TO EXPEND APPROVED FUNDS <u>15.</u>

Renewal of Agilent Laboratory Instrument Service Contract a.

1 Year Contract for Service for 3 gas chromatographs

Vendor: Agilent Technologies

Amount: \$17,011.20

Funding Source: Account # 705-8703

Director Maggio advised, "We are requesting Authorization to expend \$17,011.20 from account number 705-8703 for the renewal of our Agilent Laboratory Instrument Service Contract. This is a one year contract that will cover laboratory instruments and ancillary autosmapling equipment including three gas chromatographs and one ICPMS."

Chairman Veni asked, "What was last year's cost?"

Director Maggio replied, "I don't have the exact number but there was a price increase. I believe it was \$16,000 and change. This price is actually 10% lower than had we gone with State Contract price with Agilent. They gave us a 2% discount over the list price for the state contract so we do think we got a fair price."

Comm. Ciocco made a motion to approve this application. Seconded by Comm.

Cevasco.

AYES;

Comm. Cevasco, Cartine, McBride, Ciocco, Veni

NAYS:

None

ABSTAIN:

None

Rehabilitate Raw Water Pump #1 b.

Vendor: AC Schultes Amount: \$21,371.00

Funding Source: Account #799008

Director Maggio advised, "We are requesting authorization to expend \$21,371.00 from capital account 799008 for the rehabilitation of Raw Water Pump #1. The vendor is AC Schultes. Earlier this year in late fall we removed raw water pump number 1 because we saw a decrease in production from that pump from the summer period and found that just due to normal wear and tear it did require rebuilding of the pump. AC Schultes took a little more of a conservative approach and reused the column pipe and that translated into a significant savings over the other bidders. We should have a brand new pump with a new pump assembly and shaft when all is said and done. The next lowest bidder was \$33,195.00. That vendor did recommend replacing the column pipe. Schultes will be epoxy coating the interior of the column pipe to address any pitting anywhere that may have happened. There is no guarantee for a number of years but we do anticipate that this should last about ten to fifteen years of service."

Chairman Veni asked, "If something was to go wrong in say two years does Schultes come back and repair it?"

Director Maggio replied, "No there isn't an express guarantee for those types of conditions. None of the vendors were giving a guarantee of that nature."

Comm. Cevasco noted that the number shown on the agenda was different than what Mr. Maggio stated.

Director Maggio advised, "Schultes did not in their initial inspection of the pump recommend replacing the suction bowl assembly of the pump. All the other vendors recommended replacing the suction ball assembly so we asked Schultes to give us a supplementary price in the event when they were putting all the pieces together and testing it that they did have to replace the suction ball assembly. So the \$18,000 price would be just for epoxy filling the suction ball assembly, but the \$21,000 would include what I call the worst case scenario."

Chairman Veni asked which one we are going with.

Director Maggio replied, "Well this would be based on Schultes recommendation once they reassemble the pump and test it. If they feel there is no need to replace the suction ball assembly we would save \$3000 plus dollars. This is more or less an alternate task. The worst case is the \$21,000, \$18,683 would be based on an inspection of the pump which we do have removed and on site that is based on their recommendation to rebuild and return it to service, but we wanted to be conservative because the other vendors did recommend replacing the suction ball assembly."

Comm. Cartine made a motion to approve this purchase. Seconded by Comm. Ciocco

AYES; Comm. Cevasco, Cartine, McBride, Ciocco, Veni

NAYS: None ABSTAIN: None

c. Contract for Purchase of 2012 Chevrolet Impala

Vendor: Pinebelt Chevrolet Amount: \$22,055.00

Funding Source: Capital Project #911001

Director Bundy advised "This is for the purchase of a 2012 Chevrolet Impala from Pine Belt Chevrolet in the amount of \$22,055.00. This was three priced after two unsuccessful public bids to which we received no response and this is funded under capital account #911001.

Comm. McBride made a motion to approve this expenditure. Seconded by Comm. Cevasco.

AYES;

Comm. Cevasco, Cartine, McBride, Ciocco, Veni

NAYS:

None

ABSTAIN: None

Comm. Cartine asked, "Why did we not receive any other bids from other State Contractors?"

Director Bundy advised, "This vehicle is not available on State Contract."

Comm. Cartine asked, "What vehicles are available under State Contract and could we have purchased anything other than the Chevy Impala?"

Director Bundy advised, "There are lots and lots of different kinds of vehicles. The State Contract doesn't all start on this date and end on that date. There are several different bids during the course of the year. I think right now there wasn't anything other than police type cars and that wasn't appropriate for us."

d. Purchase of 2012/2013 Supply of Invoices and Envelopes

Vendor: Staples Print Solutions

Amount: \$9,216.50

Funding Source: Operating Account No. 905-8210

Director Pannucci stated, "Purchase for our 2012/2013 supply of invoices and envelopes. Instead of three pricing I five priced it because I like to try to give our local printing companies a chance at it and unfortunately they are too small. Since we buy in bulk. The total is \$9,216.50 which is still cheaper than we were paying back in 2007 and 2008. Staples Print Solutions which used to be Miami merged. It was our lowest quote. This is for 150,000 of each of our bills; envelopes and 200,000 return envelopes because we also use them with our shut off notices."

Comm. McBride made a motion to approve this expenditure. Seconded by Comm.

Cevasco.

AYES;

Comm. Cevasco, Cartine, McBride, Ciocco, Veni

NAYS:

None

ABSTAIN:

None

16. AUTHORIZATION TO SEND OUT BIDS, RFQ'S & RFP'S

a. Bids for Electrical Work

Director Bundy advised, "Every year we go out to bid for electrical services for miscellaneous work that all departments need. That contract is expiring in April so I would like permission to go out to bid at this time so we can award it before the expiration date of the existing contract."

Comm. Cevasco made a motion to approve this item. Seconded by Comm. Ciocco.

AYES;

Comm. Cevasco, Cartine, McBride, Ciocco, Veni

NAYS:

None

ABSTAIN:

None

b. Annual Pipe and Appurtenances Bid

Director Specht advised, "In order to support our Distribution and Collection system maintenance programs we go out for our annual pipe and appurtenances bid. Last year we expended approximately \$55,000 on hydrant parts and water service parts, as well as sewer service parts and this year we are looking to expend approximately \$40,000. It is fully budgeted.

Comm. McBride made a motion to approve this expenditure. Seconded by Comm.

Cartine.

AYES:

Comm. Cevasco, Cartine, McBride, Ciocco, Veni

NAYS:

None

ABSTAIN:

None

c. Rebid the Mantoloking Road Water Storage Tank Telecommunications Co-Co-Co Location Lease

Director Specht advised, "We are looking to rebid the Mantoloking Road water storage tank telecommunications tank. This is not a misprint it is co-co-co location lease. We have three providers on the Mantoloking tank right now. We are looking to get a fourth provider on that tank. We originally had two previous bid requests back in May for \$45,000 per year and we didn't receive any bids. I followed that up in June for \$42,000 and we did not receive any bids. We did some due diligence and there may be a few providers that would like to get onto this tank so I am recommending that we rebid at a minimum bid lease amount of \$40,000 per year."

Comm. Ciocco made a motion to approve this expenditure. Seconded by Comm.

Cevasco.

AYES;

Comm. Cevasco, Cartine, McBride, Ciocco, Veni

NAYS:

None

ABSTAIN:

None

d. Meters and Appurtenances

Director Pannucci advised, "I am requesting to go out to bid for the 2012 supply of meters and appurtenances."

Comm. McBride made a motion to approve this expenditure. Seconded by Comm. Cevasco.

AYES;

Comm. Cevasco, Cartine, McBride, Ciocco, Veni

NAYS:

None

ABSTAIN:

Nonc

17. ADOPTION OF REPORTS

Comm. Cartine made a motion to adopt all the directors' reports. Seconded by Comm. Ciocco.

AYES;

Comm. Cevasco, Cartine, McBride, Ciocco, Veni

NAYS:

None

ABSTAIN:

None

18. ADOPTION OF PERSONNEL ACTIONS

Chairman Veni advised there was no personnel action this month.

19. OLD BUSINESS

19.1 ASR Well No. 15A Update

Director Specht advised, "As discussed earlier we are proceeding with the well construction. Hopefully it will be complete with the well screen by some time next week and then we will move ahead with the abandonment of Well No. 10. Following that we will start the construction of the building for the treatment facilities."

19.2 Arbitrage Update

Jerry Conaty stated, "I know Frank Holman was here at the January meeting to give an update on the completed arbitrage calculations. We are in need of doing those calculations again for the 2006 issue. For the new commissioner on the Board, arbitrage is required to be done five years after the issuance of bond proceeds. It is an IRS requirement that we calculate to see if you are earning more interest on bond proceeds than what we are paying. It is required to be done with the 2006 bonds. We had previously submitted our fee estimate of \$3,500 for that and we are looking for approval to move forward with that. Also the commissioners had expressed a desire to have those calculations done annually as opposed to waiting every five years to do them. We had submitted a proposal for the 1998 issue to catch us up three years and the 2002 issue to catch us up one year. That will bring all the bonds current through December 2011 for a total of \$6,750.00. We are looking for approval from the Board to move forward so we can get the information from Mr. Planko and get started."

Comm. Ciocco made a motion to approve the proposal for arbitrage calculations. Seconded by Comm. Cartine

AYES;

Comm. Cevasco, Cartine, McBride, Ciocco, Veni

NAYS:

None

ABSTAIN: None

Chairman Veni stated, "I know this is not on the agenda but I asked the director to give all the commissioners a copy of this. We voted on this in December. It is a dedication to Senator Andy Ciesla at the Reservoir. In here you will see a whole bunch of different location where we can put this monument. I would ask you to look through it and pick out the three best, number them one two three, marking the page numbers and send that email to Marie so she can collect the results."

20. NEW BUSINESS

20.1 Request to Utilize Reservoir

a. St. Paul's Church – Easter Sunday Sunrise Service, Sunday, April 8, 2012 6:00 am to 7:30 am. Approximately 100 participants

Director Bundy advised, "This is a request to utilize the Reservoir on April 8th 2012 for an Easter sunrise service by St. Paul's Church. There will be approximately 100 participants. I believe this might be the fourth year that we have had this request and we have approved it in the past."

Comm. Ciocco made a motion to approve the request to utilize the reservoir. Seconded by Comm. Cevasco.

AYES;

Comm. Cevasco, Cartine, McBride, Ciocco, Veni

NAYS:

None

ABSTAIN:

None

20.2 GASB Actuarial Services

Director Planko advised, "GASB as I mentioned which is the Government Accounting Standards Board, requires us to have the particular calculation every three years. It is an actuarial calculation for retirement benefits which we must represent on our balance sheet. The Auditors will require this calculation for the audit and I am requesting permission from the Board to move with Summit Actuarial to accomplish this task."

Comm. Cevasco made a motion to approve this action. Seconded by Comm. McBride

Chairman Veni asked, "When you got the three numbers did you put it on one of these sheets?"

Director Planko advised, "I didn't make up a purchase requisition for it yet."

Chairman Veni advised, "The point is shouldn't that have been signed first?"

Director Planko replied, "Well I am asking permission ahead of time. We are actually not going

to do this until March 31st and I will prepare the purchase requisition once I am given approval."

AYES:

Comm. Cevasco, Cartine, McBride, Ciocco, Veni

NAYS: ABSTAIN:

None None

<u>21.</u> RESOLUTIONS

04-12 Rejection of Bids for SCADA Parts & Appurtenances

Director Bundy advised, "As you are aware we went out to bid for SCADA parts and appurtenances. We received two bids and we sent them for review to counsel and he advised both bids were defective and non curable. I believe and he has made the recommendation that we reject both bids and rebid it. That is what this resolution will do.

Comm. Cartine made a motion to adopt resolution No. 04-12. Seconded by Comm. Cevasco.

AYES;

Comm. Cevasco, Cartine, McBride, Ciocco, Veni

NAYS: None ABSTAIN:

None

27-12 A Resolution Opposing the Mandatory Fluoridation in New Jersey Drinking Water under A-18-11 and S-959 - "New Jersey Public Water Supply Fluoridation Act."

Director Lacey advised, "Mr. Chairman we are recommending that the Board stay with their decision back in 2009 which was opposing Senate and Assembly bill regarding mandatory fluoridation. Fluoride is a treatment that is put into the water as you know. It is as you know supposed to prevent cavities, but it creates a lot of other problems with chemicals. Some people are opposed to it. It is going to be very costly for us and it may put us into another bracket with respect to in house chemical storage. It will be very expensive for us. It is also opposed by the AWWANJ and AEA and today when we had our directors meeting before the meeting, I also asked that both Steve Specht and Joe Maggio contribute to this because I know this has been an ongoing concern of the Board."

Director Specht advised, "As you are aware I am the chairman of the Water Utilities Council for AWWA New Jersey. We spearheaded this opposition to this legislation about a month ago. Letters were sent down to the Assembly as well as the Senate opposing the mandatory fluoridation. It should be a local issue decided by the local citizens. With regard to costs it ranges between .50 to \$1.00 per person per year. We have approximately 100,000 people we serve so it will range from \$50,000 to \$100,000 per year just to fluoridate. That has nothing to do with the capital improvement costs which are much more substantial than that. Again, I would recommend that we oppose these two bills A18-11 and S959."

Director Maggio added, "The chemicals that are used to fluoridate water are very difficult to manage and handle from a safety perspective. They are actually rather caustic florocedic acid and difficult to handle. There is a lot of controversy regarding the appropriateness of adding fluoride to the water. Certain people are against it for heath reasons saying there are detrimental effects to drinking fluoride. Obviously dentists and the dental community will say it is beneficial to our teeth. As Director Lacey had mentioned this would be an additional regulated chemical that we would need to store and we probably would have to store 2000 gallons on site. As we discussed earlier we were talking about some of the chemical changes we are making to lower the quantity of these regulated chemical that we store to accommodate hypochlorite. This would infringe on that volume and could preclude us from moving forward with the hypochlorite generator. W may not have enough capacity under these regulatory limits to accommodate the hypochlite without very very costly chemical handling facilities."

Comm. Cartine stated, "I have something to add to this. A little history. Back in the 1960's fluoride was a very large political issue. There were opposing forces on this then. The right wing and the left wing with regards to what sides they took. It was determined by those people on the right that fluoridation on the right was a communist conspiracy to poison our water system. This was very serious. This was discussed in the presidential election of 1964 when Barry Goldwater was the Republican candidate against Lyndon Johnson. A little bit of history there and it's funny that it rises up today as another issue with proponents being the medical side and the environmentalists are unbelievably split on this. I have heard this in the Environmental Committee and the State Senate over the past year. It has very emotional issues tied to it. There are a lot of parents that come to these meetings that claim that their science and investigations lead them to believe that it causes irreparable harm to infants and small children. I just wanted to throw that out to you and I do believe that the resolution is absolutely appropriate and I know I support it and would hope the other commissioners support that resolution as well."

Comm. Cartine made a motion to approve Resolution No. 27-12. Seconded by Comm. Ciocco.

AYES;

Comm. Cevasco, Cartine, McBride, Ciocco, Veni

NAYS:

None

ABSTAIN:

None

28-12 Annual Bid for Road Patch Materials

Director Specht advised, "This is our annual bid for road patch materials. This year we are looking to award the road patch as follows: Item No. 1 which is crushed No. 57 stone for \$19.75/ton. Item No. 2 quarry process stone to trap rock industries for \$15.70/ton. Item No. 3 – Asphalt cutback at \$50.00 per can which is a 5 gallon can to Asphalt paving systems. Item No. 4 FABC mix No. 5 which is our surface paving material at \$62.97/ton to Central Jersey. Item No. 5 Stabilized Base at \$59.97/ton to Central and Item No. 6 cold patch \$135.97 to Central Jersey. The length of their contract will be from April 1, 2012 to March 31, 2013 and I would recommend we award this resolution at this time."

Comm. Cevasco made a motion to approve the request to utilize the reservoir. Seconded by Comm. McBride.

AYES;

Comm. Cevasco, Cartine, McBride, Ciocco, Veni

NAYS:

None

ABSTAIN:

None

22. PUBLIC DISCUSSION

At this point in the meeting, Chairman Veni opened the meeting up to public discussion and read the following statement, "In order to provide all necessary information to the Authority and to

provide sufficient time for members of the public to speak, each member of the public will be limited to five minutes and should provide their name and address."

Melanie Briggs stated, "I wanted to say that I appreciate the fact that the closed session was so short. I guess my letter was lost in the mail but I'm not giving up hope. A few small questions, in the shared services agreement would the BTMUA be willing to share that clock with the Council for our meetings. I just have to ask who is going to get the new Impala?"

Chairman Veni advised, "It is another pool car. As you know our Executive Director was involved in a serious accident and it is just a replacement of that vehicle."

Mrs. Briggs continued, "And the last is a question that has been bantered around at the Council meeting so I am going to ask it here. Who receives benefits and who declines them?"

Chairman Veni stated, "As far as I know all of us are receiving benefits."

Comm. Ciocco advised, "Alternates do not get medical benefits."

Mrs. Briggs stated, "But all the sitting commissioners do?"

Chairman Veni replied, "That's correct. The five commissioners from Chairman down to Assistant Secretary Treasurer all receive benefits and stipends."

Mrs. Briggs asked, "They don't have benefits at their other employment?"

Chairman Veni stated, "I'm not sure how to answer that question. All employees get benefits here."

Mrs. Briggs stated, "But you all work someplace else also?"

Chairman Veni advised, "I am retired and I get benefits from my retirement."

Mrs. Briggs asked, "Mr. Cartine you don't get benefits?"

Comm. Cartine replied, "Not at all. You are talking about from outside employment. I am retired. No. Nothing."

Mrs. Briggs, "Mr. Bottazzi, Mr. Buttacavoli."

Chairman Veni replied, "As far as I know, they get the benefits here at the MUA."

Mrs. Briggs asked, "Mr. Cevasco?"

Comm. Cevasco replied, "I opted out."

Mrs. Briggs stated, "You opted out so you get the \$5,000 stipend for not taking benefits then?"

Comm. Cevasco replied, "To be perfectly honest I don't even know."

Mrs. Briggs replied, "I am just asking. It is a question that is going around so why not ask it here since BTMUA is being brought up and I do think there is something else. It has been brought up at a council meeting by members of the public that the BTMUA has lost \$17 million... and I'm trying to be careful how I phrase this, but apparently there are carcinogens in the water and it has been insinuated that you people are just dumping it in the water. I would like to make a request that maybe you can get together with Mr. Ducey and possibly having a presentation at the Council meeting to either answer these accusations or clear them up. I myself am tired of hearing vague things. I have sat at these meetings for many years. I have listened to the Treasurer's Report and I myself can't verify that \$17 million has been lost but I think it should be addressed."

Chairman Veni stated, "I will talk to our fellow commissioners and our Executive Director and see what we can do."

23. CHAIRMAN'S CLOSING STATEMENT

Chairman Veni read the following statement: "The next meeting of the Authority will be the Annual Rate Hearing on Monday, March 26, 2012 at 6:00 p.m. The next regular public meeting of the Authority will be a Public Meeting on Monday, March 26, 2012 immediately following the Rate Hearing. All regular public meetings take place in the Main Conference Room of the Authority's Administration Building located at 1551 Highway 88 West."

24. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to discuss, and on motion duly made and seconded the meeting adjourned at 8:03 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

George Cevasco

Asst. Secretary/Treasurer