

# REORGANIZATION MEETING

## February 1, 2017

### SALUTE TO THE FLAG of THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

Following the Salute to the Flag, Vice Chairman Fozman asked for a moment of silence in memory of James Bayard, a former Commissioner at the Authority that passed away recently.

### **1. OPENING STATEMENT**

Ms. Sylvester read the following statement, *"This meeting is being conducted in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act, being Chapter 231 of the Laws of 1975. Pursuant to the requirements of this law, notice of the meeting was published in the Asbury Park Press on December 22, 2016. Similar notice was given by mail to the Clerk of the Township of Brick and placed on the bulletin board maintained for this purpose by the Authority."*

### **2. ROLL CALL**

#### Members Present

Thomas C. Curtis  
James Fozman  
Susan Lydecker  
Maria Foster  
Gregory Flynn  
William Neafsey

#### Also Present

Chris A. Theodos, Executive Director  
Stephen T. Specht, Dir. Engineering/Ops  
Joseph M. Maggio, Dir. Water Quality  
Gary Vaccaro, Dir. Compliance/Tech.  
John Clifford, CFO  
Marie Sylvester, Exec. Supervisor  
Nick Montenegro, Legal Counsel  
Mark Kitrick, Labor Counsel  
Jim Priolo, Consulting Engineer  
Chuck Fallon, Auditor

Vice Chairman Fozman stated, "I would just like to welcome Bill Neafsey. He is the new alternate Commissioner."

### **3. NOMINATIONS AND ELECTION OF OFFICERS**

#### 3.1 Chairman

Vice Chairman Fozman called for a nomination for the position of Chairman and nominated Gregory Flynn for the position of Chairman and stated, "I think he will do a great job. He has time on his hands that helps us out."

Seconded by Comm. Curtis.

#### ROLL CALL

AYES: Comm. Foster, Lydecker, Curtis, Fozman, Flynn

NAYS: None  
ABSTAIN: None

Chairman Flynn stated, "First I would like to thank the Commissioners for their vote of confidence. I am looking forward to continuing our work with all the dedicated people here. I would like to thank Councilman Mummolo for joining us."

### 3.2 Vice-Chairman

Chairman Flynn asked for a nomination for Vice Chairman.

Comm. Flynn nominated Jim Fozman for Vice Chairman. Seconded by Comm. Foster.

#### ROLL CALL

AYES: Comm. Foster, Lydecker, Curtis, Fozman, Flynn  
NAYS: None  
ABSTAIN: None

### 3.3 Secretary

Chairman Flynn asked for a nomination for Secretary.

Comm. Lydecker nominated Thomas Curtis for the position of Secretary. Seconded by Comm. Fozman.

#### ROLL CALL

AYES: Comm. Foster, Lydecker, Curtis, Fozman, Flynn  
NAYS: None  
ABSTAIN: None

### 3.4 Treasurer

Chairman Flynn asked for a nomination for Treasurer.

Comm. Curtis nominated Susan Lydecker for the position of Treasurer. Seconded by Comm. Foster.

#### ROLL CALL

AYES: Comm. Foster, Lydecker, Curtis, Fozman, Flynn  
NAYS: None  
ABSTAIN: None

### 3.5 Assistant Treasurer/Secretary

Chairman Flynn asked for a nomination for Assistant Treasurer/Secretary.

Comm. Curtis nominated Maria Foster for the position of Assistant Treasurer/Secretary. Seconded by Comm. Fozman.

ROLL CALL

AYES: Comm. Foster, Lydecker, Curtis, Fozman, Flynn  
NAYS: None  
ABSTAIN: None

**4. APPOINTMENT OF ADVISORS**

**4.1 Resolution No. 09 -17 Appointment of General Legal Counsel**

Comm. Lydecker nominated the firm of Montenegro, Thompson, Montenegro & Genz for the position of General Legal Counsel. Seconded by Comm. Fozman.

There being no other nominations, Chairman Flynn asked for a roll call.

AYES: Comm. Foster, Lydecker, Curtis, Fozman, Flynn  
NAYS: None  
ABSTAIN: None

**4.2 Resolution No. 10 -17 Appointment of Alternate Legal Counsel**

Comm. Foster nominated the firm of Charles P. Tivenan, Esq. for the position of Authority Alternate Legal Counsel. Seconded by Comm. Curtis.

There being no other nominations, Chairman Flynn asked for a roll call.

AYES: Comm. Foster, Lydecker, Curtis, Fozman, Flynn  
NAYS: None  
ABSTAIN: None

**4.3 Resolution No. 11-17 Appointment of Bond Counsel**

Comm. Fozman nominated the firm of DeCotiis, Fitzpatrick & Cole, LLP as Authority Bond Counsel. Seconded by Comm. Curtis.

There being no other nominations, Chairman Flynn asked for a roll call.

AYES: Comm. Foster, Lydecker, Curtis, Fozman, Flynn  
NAYS: None  
ABSTAIN: None

**4.4 Resolution No. 12-17 Appointment of Consulting Engineer**

Comm. Curtis nominated the firm of Maser Consulting, PA for the position of Authority Consulting Engineer. Seconded by Comm. Fozman.

There being no other nominations, Chairman Flynn asked for a roll call.

AYES: Comm. Foster, Lydecker, Curtis, Fozman, Flynn  
NAYS: None  
ABSTAIN: None

4.5 Resolution No. 13 -17 Appointment of Alternate Engineers

Comm. Lydecker nominated the firms of CME Associates, PS&S Engineering, Adams, Rehman & Heggan Associates, Inc., H2M Water, Suburban Consulting Engineering, Inc., DW Smith Associates for the position of Alternate Consulting Engineers. Seconded by Comm. Curtis.

There being no other nominations, Chairman Flynn asked for a roll call.

AYES: Comm. Foster, Lydecker, Curtis, Fozman, Flynn  
NAYS: None  
ABSTAIN: None

4.6 Resolution No. 14-17 Appointment of Auditor

Comm. Foster nominated the firm of Fallon & Larsen, LLP for the position of Authority's Auditor. Seconded by Comm. Curtis.

There being no other nominations, Chairman Flynn asked for a roll call.

AYES: Comm. Foster, Lydecker, Curtis, Fozman, Flynn  
NAYS: None  
ABSTAIN: None

4.7 Resolution No. 15-17 Appointment of Financial Advisor

Comm. Fozman nominated the firm of Acacia Financial Group, Inc., as the Authority's Financial Advisor. Seconded by Comm. Foster

There being no other nominations, Chairman Flynn asked for a roll call.

AYES: Comm. Foster, Lydecker, Curtis, Fozman, Flynn  
NAYS: None  
ABSTAIN: None

4.8 Resolution No. 16-17 Appointment of Labor Counsel

Comm. Curtis nominated the firm of King, Kitrick, Jackson & McWeeney, LLC, for the position of Authority Labor Counsel. Seconded by Comm. Foster.

There being no other nominations, Chairman Flynn asked for a roll call.

AYES: Comm. Foster, Lydecker, Curtis, Fozman, Flynn  
NAYS: None  
ABSTAIN: None

**4.9 Resolution No. 17-17 Appointment of Risk Management Consultant**

Comm. Lydecker nominated the firm of Fairview Insurance Agency Associates, Inc., as the Authority's Risk Management Consultant. Seconded by Comm. Curtis

There being no other nominations, Chairman Flynn asked for a roll call.

AYES: Comm. Foster, Lydecker, Curtis, Fozman, Flynn  
NAYS: None  
ABSTAIN: None

**4.10 Resolution No. 18-17 Designation of Official Newspaper**

Chairman Flynn stated, "Resolution No. 18-17 designates the official newspapers as the Asbury Park Press as primary, and the Brick Times as secondary."

Comm. Curtis made a motion to approve this action, Seconded by Comm. Lydecker.

AYES: Comm. Foster, Lydecker, Curtis, Fozman, Flynn  
NAYS: None  
ABSTAIN: None

**4.11 Resolution No. 19-17 Establishment of Regular Meeting Dates**

Comm. Fozman made a motion to approve this action, Seconded by Comm. Lydecker.

AYES: Comm. Foster, Lydecker, Curtis, Fozman, Flynn  
NAYS: None  
ABSTAIN: None

**4.12 Resolution No. 20-17 Establishing charges for copies, etc.**

Comm. Lydecker made a motion to approve this action, Seconded by Comm. Curtis

AYES: Comm. Foster, Lydecker, Curtis, Fozman, Flynn  
NAYS: None  
ABSTAIN: None

**5. DESIGNATION OF AUTHORITY COMMITTEES**

Chairman Flynn stated, "This has been established and the list is in your files. If you have anything to discuss you can pass it on to me some time later."

**6. OTHER BUSINESS**

Director Specht stated, "Thank you for attending to this today. I sent an email out to the Board about the purchase and installation of a valve insertion on Silver Sands way. We discovered a minor leak this time that we hope won't develop into a major leak on Vanessa Drive. It is important that we get this insertion valve installed to minimize any sort of shut down for our customers. Shut down without the insertion valve will be about 75 residential and 1 business. With the insertion valve it will only be about five customers. We got three quotes and the low quote was from Cutter Drill and Machine, Inc. for \$5,339.25."

Comm. Fozman asked, "How long will this job take? Is it a one day job?"

Director Specht replied, "It is one day. We will excavate and then Cutter will insert the valve and provide the labor to insert it."

Comm. Lydecker asked, "Is the labor included in this price? How much is the actual valve?"

Director Specht replied, "I have a quote for a price that includes valve and labor in the amount of \$5,339.25. I would say the valve is probably half that cost."

Comm. Curtis made a motion to approve this action, Seconded by Comm. Lydecker.

AYES:	Comm. Foster, Lydecker, Curtis, Fozman, Flynn
NAYS:	None
ABSTAIN:	None

## **7. PUBLIC COMMENT**

At this time the Chairman opened up the meeting to public comment. Councilman Mummolo congratulated Chairman Flynn on his appointment.

Chairman Flynn stated, "At this time I will take comments from the staff."

Director Vaccaro stated, "I just want to congratulate all the professionals on their reappointments and I look forward to working with them. Congratulations to all the commissioners and congratulations to our new Chairman. I am looking forward to a great year."

Mr. Priolo stated, "Thank you for the appointment."

Director Clifford stated, "I would just echo what Director Vaccaro said, congratulations to everybody, the professionals. I'm looking forward to working with you."

Mr. Fallon stated, "I appreciate the opportunity serve the board and I look forward to another year of hard work."

Director Maggio stated, "Congratulations to our new Chairman and to all the new officers. We have a lot of exciting projects for 2017 and I'm really looking forward to another productive year."

Director Specht stated, "Mr. Chairman Congratulations on your appointment, as well as all the other commissioners. Mr. Neafsey welcome as a commissioner. Just want to let the Board know that the new generators have arrived after five plus weeks on the road. They have been set on their concrete pads and the contractor is involved in starting to tie them in. Sometime in February we should be able to fire them up."

Mr. Kitrick stated, "Mr. Chairman, Congratulations and thank you to all the Commissioners for all the confidence you have shown in reappointing me. I look forward to working with all of you. I welcome Mr. Neafsey and I look forward to meeting with you and working with you."

Mr. Montenegro stated, "Congratulations Mr. Chairman and Commissioners on your appointments and designations and Comm. Neafsey. I would like to thank you for the opportunity to serve you again this year and look forward to a very productive year."

Ms. Sylvester stated, "Congratulations to you Mr. Chairman. Welcome to Mr. Neafsey. Congratulations to the consultants. One of the reasons I love the reorg is because it means spring is right about the corner. Welcome everyone."

Director Theodos stated, "Congratulations Comm. Neafsey, Comm. Foster, Chairman Flynn and Authority officers. I wish you the best. I look forward to working with you, the directors, staff and professionals to continue to advance the Authority for the betterment of the Authority and our rate payers. Congratulations again and thank you for all your support."

Comm. Neafsey stated, "I would like to congratulate everybody on their appointments and thank you for welcoming me aboard. I look forward to working with everyone."

Comm. Foster stated, "Congratulations to everyone. I'm glad that we have you as a chair. I'm excited to work with the Board again this year. It is exciting to be a full time commissioner. Thank you for your support over the past year and I'm looking forward to a good 2017. Thank you."

Comm. Fozman stated, "The professionals and the executive director and the directors that we have here. I am here going on my fifth year and we have advanced so far with a zero rate increase. We did rate studies and everything has been going so smooth with all the work that we have to do. Mr. Specht does a great job with the engineering, Joe with the watershed and Gary, keeping us safe. I am glad to work with you all. And all the Commissioners thank you for all the support that we have on all the projects."

Comm. Lydecker stated, "I am looking forward to some fresh new leadership on this Board so thank you for accepting the position. A hearty welcome to Mr. Neafsey. I think he is going to bring some serious insight to this commission that we need. So welcome aboard."

Comm. Curtis stated, "Just congratulations everybody and welcome Bill. Let's have a good 2017."

Chairman Flynn stated, "I too want to welcome Mr. Neafsey and he does have some incredible knowledge and I think he is going to be very helpful. Again thank all the commissioners and especially thank the staff who are just very dedicated. I'm looking forward to

keeping this going. I also want to give a special thanks to Marie for deciphering and translating my mumbling. She has done an incredible job and I know she is going to be challenged this year. Thank you all. Also we have a plaque here that we hoped to present to George Cevasco, our previous chairman. At some point we will get together with him and acknowledge his great work over the past years here.”

Comm. Fozman made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Comm. Lydecker.

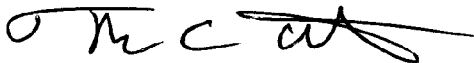
AYES:                   Comm. Foster, Lydecker, Curtis, Fozman, Flynn  
NAYS:                   None  
ABSTAIN:               None

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting adjourned at 9:47 a.m.

**8. CLOSING STATEMENT**

Ms. Sylvester read the closing statement as follows: "The next regularly scheduled meeting of the Authority will be a Public Meeting on Monday, February 27, 2017. All meetings begin at 7:00 p.m. in the main conference room of the Authority's Administration Building located at 1551 Hwy. 88 West, Brick, New Jersey."

Respectfully submitted,



Thomas C. Curtis, Secretary

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