

Minutes of a PUBLIC MEETING held on June 25, 2024

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

2. OPENING STATEMENT

Ms. DiMatteo read the opening statement as follows: *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 June 4, 2024 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

Members Present

Susan Lydecker
 Thomas Curtis
 William Neafsey
 Michael Blandina
 Harvey Langer
 Erin Wheeler
 Paul Mummolo

Also Present

Chris A. Theodos, Executive Director
 Alina Ferreira, Project Manager
 Gary Vaccaro, Dir. Compliance & Technology
 Joseph Maggio, Dir. Water Quality
 John Clifford, CMFO
 Keri DiMatteo, Administrative Supervisor
 Nick Montenegro, Esq., MUA General Counsel
 Chuck Fallon, MUA Auditor
 Jordan Volk, MUA Engineer

Absent

Stephen T. Specht, Dir. Engineering/Ops

4. Adoption of Directors' Reports

Comm. Curtis made a motion to adopt the Directors' Reports. Seconded by Comm. Lydecker

AYES: Comm. Lydecker, Curtis, Neafsey, Blandina, Mummolo

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Comm. Blandina made a motion to adopt the May 30, 2024 regular meeting minutes. Seconded by Comm. Lydecker

AYES: Comm. Lydecker, Curtis, Neafsey, Blandina, Mummolo

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

6. CORRESPONDENCE – NONE

7. BILL RESOLUTION

Comm. Curtis read the Bill Resolution dated June 25, 2024 in the total amount of \$4,798,807.31 as follows:

Total Operating Vouchers:	\$	2,667,420.75
Total Capital Vouchers:		723,869.52
Total Payroll:		1,404,408.15
Total Escrow:		3,108.89
Total Bill Resolution:	\$	4,798,807.31

Comm. Curtis made a motion to approve the Bill Resolution. Seconded by Comm. Blandina

AYES: Comm. Lydecker, Curtis, Neafsey, Blandina, Mummolo
NAYS: None
ABSTAIN: None

8. TREASURER'S REPORT

Comm. Lydecker read the Treasurer's Report balances for the month ending May 31, 2024 as follows:

Unrestricted Funds:

Total Revenue Funds:	\$	14,180,431.10
Total General Funds:		12,688,921.06
Total Working Capital Fund:		29,935.43
Total Processing Fund:		4,453,571.95
Total Escrow Fund:		6,275.50
Total Unrestricted Funds:		31,359,135.04

Restricted Funds:

Rate Projection Maintenance Fund:		2,003,750.00
Construction Fund:		114,682.65
Total Bond Funds:		9,714,312.09
Total Other Restricted Funds:		1,700,522.60
Total Restricted Funds:		13,533,267.34
Total of All Fund Accounts:		44,892,402.38

Comm. Blandina made a motion to approve the Treasurer's Report. Seconded by Chair Mummolo

AYES: Comm. Lydecker, Curtis, Neafsey, Blandina, Mummolo
NAYS: None
ABSTAIN: None

9. DEVELOPER APPLICATIONS

9.1 Preliminary Application - No Further Action Required – NONE

9.2 Other Applications

2352 Rosemary Laurino – 38 & 40 Adair Drive, Block 277, Lots 43 & 45 – 38 & 40 Adair Drive – Preliminary, NFA – 1R

Ms. Ferreria reviewed the above action with the Board. She explained that this is a minor subdivision - a lot reconfiguration resulting in one lot that will need new services.

Ms. Ferreria recommended approval.

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

AYES: Comm. Lydecker, Curtis, Neafsey, Blandina, Mummolo

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

9.3 Release of Performance Bonds – NONE

10. UNANTICIPATED/EMERGENCY CAPITAL EXPENDITURES - NONE

11. CONTRACT CLOSE-OUTS – NONE

12. AUTHORIZATION TO EXPEND APPROVED FUNDS

- a. Authorization to Expend Approved Funds to Purchase N-Able N-Central IT Management Software - \$11,027.00; Vendor – StarNet Solutions, Inc.; Operating Account No. 01-502-8201

Director Vaccaro reviewed the above action with the Board. He explained This request is for the annual renewal of N-Able N-Central remote monitoring and management software package which expires on June 28, 2024. This application provides many functionalities that are very useful for the IT department for day-to-day operations. The software provides needed backup for our Microsoft 365 email tenant server. This is needed because Microsoft strictly only hosts our email server but does not perform daily email backups. It will also backup users One Drive, SharePoint, and Teams. The software will also provide patch management for all servers, workstations, and mobile equipment in the field. Patches that are put out by Microsoft are very critical to cyber security and need to be maintained closely, and this software will help provide those needs. The renewal will be effective on June 29, 2024 and expire on June 28, 2025.

Director Vaccaro recommended approval.

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

AYES: Comm. Lydecker, Curtis, Neafsey, Blandina, Mummolo

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

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

- a. Authorization to Proceed with the Bidding to Purchase Rapid Mixers Vendor TBD Price Estimate \$80,000-\$100,000

Director Maggio reviewed the above action with the Board. He explained that the current mixers are over 50 years old. They are very well maintained but feel it is time to replace them.

Director Maggio recommended approval.

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

AYES: Comm. Lydecker, Curtis, Neafsey, Blandina, Mummolo
NAYS: None
ABSTAIN: None

14. ADOPTION OF PERSONNEL ACTIONS

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

AYES: Comm. Lydecker, Curtis, Neafsey, Blandina, Mummolo
NAYS: None
ABSTAIN: None

15. OLD BUSINESS - NONE

16. NEW BUSINESS – NONE

17. EXEMPT SESSION – NONE
(Personnel, Contracts & Potential Litigation Only)

18. RESOLUTIONS

46-24 A Resolution Awarding Bid for Main Pump Control Panel Upgrade/PLC Replacement

Ms. Ferreria reviewed the above action with the Board. She explained that this is PLC replacement at the Sea Avenue storm water pump station. The PLC is outdated and needs replacement. Bids were received on June 5, 2024. The lowest responsible bidder is Advanced Control Systems in the amount of \$58,586.00. The Authority will be reimbursed by the County for this work.

Ms. Ferreria recommended approval.

Comm. Curtis made a motion to approve this action. Seconded by Chair Mummolo

AYES: Comm. Lydecker, Curtis, Neafsey, Blandina, Mummolo
NAYS: None
ABSTAIN: None

Director Clifford reviewed the above action with the Board. He explained that both bids received contained material defects. This resolution will allow the Authority to rebid and potentially modify the bid specifications.

Director Clifford recommended approval.

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

AYES: Comm. Lydecker, Curtis, Neafsey, Blandina, Mummolo
 NAYS: None
 ABSTAIN: None

Executive Director Theodos reviewed the above action with the Board. He explained that the Authority's current Horizon BCBS medical and prescription drug program expires on August 1, 2024. Our per subscriber costs over the past 12 months are up 24.7% from a year ago. Our broker, Acrisure LLC dba IMAC insurance agency, has marketed our program to various health insurance companies, only Benecord (prescription only) responded with a quote for a 21% rate increase. Fortunately, based on our average number of participating employees and retirees (less than 150), our group is now part of the Horizon BCBS NJ public sector pool, offering an overall rate increase of 5.0%. Our broker has recommended that we renew our contract with Horizon BCBS.

Executive Director Theodos recommended approval.

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

AYES: Comm. Lydecker, Curtis, Neafsey, Blandina, Mummolo
 NAYS: None
 ABSTAIN: None

Director Clifford reviewed the above action with the Board. He explained that the Authority had previously rejected two bids from Airgas and Linde. We eventually managed to navigate through questions of the product sales agreement and have come terms with Airgas at a rate of \$390.00/ton of carbon dioxide.

Director Clifford recommended approval.

Comm. Curtis made a motion to approve this action. Seconded by Chair Mummolo

AYES: Comm. Lydecker, Curtis, Neafsey, Blandina, Mummolo

NAYS: None
ABSTAIN: None

50-24 A Resolution Authorizing the Renewal of GE Digital SCADA Global Care Software License for a Three-Year Period Effective July 30, 2024 in the Amount of \$41,500.00; Vendor – Inflexionpoint; Operating Account No. 502-8202

Director Vaccaro reviewed the above action with the Board. He explained that the Authority needs to renew our proprietary GE Digital SCADA Global Care License as the current license is set to expire on July 30, 2024. The license provides software support and upgrades on all SCADA software which is responsible for remote operations and monitoring of our water treatment plant, booster, pump stations, and for the historical collection of operating data. In addition, this contract will provide SCADA support with Inflexionpoint within a 1 business week timeframe with no guaranteed resolution during business hours (M-F, 8 am-5 pm) rate of \$250/hr. and outside those hours at \$375/hr. rate. The license will be renewed yearly for a three-year period which provides us with no price increase over the 3-year period. The total cost for the contract is \$41,500.

Director Vaccaro recommended approval.

Comm. Blandina made a motion to approve this action. Seconded by Chair Mummolo

AYES: Comm. Lydecker, Curtis, Neafsey, Blandina, Mummolo
NAYS: None
ABSTAIN: None

51-24 A Resolution Amending Resolution No. 33-24 for the Award of a Contract with EMSL Analytical, Inc. in the Amount of \$87,500 per year for two (2) years for Laboratory Analytical Services – Account Number 01-202-8701

Director Clifford reviewed the above action with the Board. He explained that we signed a contract for a two-year term and later discovered the resolution we previously adopted was for a one-year term. Therefore, this resolution amends the previous resolution.

Director Clifford recommended approval.

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

AYES: Comm. Lydecker, Curtis, Neafsey, Blandina, Mummolo
NAYS: None
ABSTAIN: None

19. PUBLIC DISCUSSION – NONE

20. COMMENTS FROM COMMISSIONERS, PROFESSIONALS & STAFF – NONE

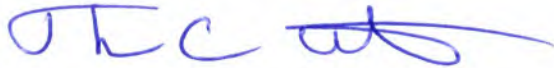
21. CLOSING STATEMENT

Ms. DiMatteo read the following closing statement: *The next Meeting of the Authority will be a Public Meeting on Wednesday, July 31, 2024 at 6:00 p.m. All meetings take place in the Main Conference Room of the Authority's Administration Building located at 1551 Highway 88 West, Brick.*

22. ADJOURNMENT

On motion duly made and seconded, followed by a unanimous vote the meeting was adjourned at 6:17 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Thomas C. Curtis, Authority Secretary

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