

## MERCHANTVILLE-PENNSAUKEN WATER COMMISSION

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# Minutes of the MPWC Monthly Business Meeting January 12, 2017

#### ATTENDEES:

#### Commissioners:

Mr. Joseph Scavuzzo, President Mr. Patrick Brennan, Vice President Mr. G. Burton German, Treasurer Mr. Ronald Johnson, Asst. Secretary/Treasurer

## Other Attendees:

Michael A. Saraceni, COO
Craig Campbell, Superintendent
Richard Spafford, P.E.
Karl N. McConnell, General Counsel
Brandy Eisenmann
Carol Feriozzi

The President called the meeting to order at 4:00 PM Salute to the Flag; the Open Public Meetings Act Compliance Statement was read. Commissioner Piperno was absent.

### ITEMS TO BE DISCUSSED:

# Public Hearing - Well Maintenance Contract

Mr. McConnell requested to table this as the Staff is still negotiating certain language in the draft contract. Staff asked the Commissioners for any input regarding this lengthy contract. The Commissioners asked to review the contract documents and will provide Counsel with any comment or concerns within a week.

#### MPWC - Annual Report to Governments

Mr. Saraceni stated that he will be scheduling the 2016 annual reports to Pennsauken Committee and Merchantville Council shortly and will advise the Commissioners of those dates. It was suggested by Mr. Brennan and Mr. Johnson that the report include an accounting of all services that the MPWC provides to them.

# <u>Haddon Pointe Project Development – Application Received</u>

Mr. Saraceni stated that we were in receipt of the application for the Haddon Pointe Project Development. The application was to tie into the 12" and 8" mains on Haddonfield Road. The total fee due is \$204,422.50.

## <u>Longwood Avenue Project – Paving – Change Order – Time Extension</u>

Mr. Spafford stated that the contractor requested a 180 day extension for the contract deadline. This is due in part to the weather conditions and availability of asphalt. He recommends the change order.



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## <u>Clements Avenue Tank – Pennsauken Police Department Request</u>

Mr. Saraceni stated that the Pennsauken Police Department requested permission to install camera transmitters on the Clements Avenue tank in support of their Westfield Avenue community security program. Mr. Spafford informed Commissioners that there is sufficient room on the tank. Commissioners endorsed approval.

## Pennsauken Schools - Lead Testing

Mr. Saraceni stated that a meeting is scheduled with Pennsauken School Officials for 1/17/2017 which includes Richard Spafford, Craig Campbell and himself to lend guidance to the Pennsauken Public Schools in lead testing in the schools. Mr. Saraceni also stated that the MPWC would provide access to the MPWC contracted lab, if necessary. The MPWC would anticipate reviewing the results.

## Recruitment Initiatives - Plant Operator/Field Service Technician

Mr. Saraceni stated that several candidates were interviewed for the Plant Operator and Field Service Technician positions. He would like permission to hire 2 Plant operators and a Field Service Technician. Mr. Saraceni also thanked Angela Waldron for all her help with the hiring process.

## **Approval of the Minutes**

Motion to approve the Minutes of the Business Meeting and Executive Session of December 8, 2016 was made by Mr. German, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mr. Johnson; a unanimous roll call vote.

#### Payment of Bills

Motion to approve payment of bills dated January 12, 2017 accept to Pennsauken Township was made by Mr. German, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mr. Johnson; a unanimous roll call vote.

#### Payment of Bills

Motion to approve payment of bill dated January 12, 2017 for Pennsauken was made by Mr. German, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mr. Brennan; a unanimous roll call vote except Mr. Scavuzzo abstained.

### <u>Correspondence</u>

Richard Spafford to Haddon Point Manager – Review Letter – Water Application Mayor John Kneib to MPWC – Letter of Gratitude – Angel Tree Program Participation

#### Meeting Open to the Public:

Meeting was open to the public. None present.

#### **Staff Reports:**

#### General Counsel:

 Mr. McConnell advised the Commissioners that Verizon has changed their position and will not submit for the National Highway bid that they requested.



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Mr. German commented on an article in the Philadelphia Inquirer today regarding a proposed new standard for PFNA that was just announced and the need to plan for possible changes to testing/reporting responsibilities. A discussion ensued.

## Old Business:

# 2017 Budget Approved by State of New Jersey and Returned

Mr. Saraceni stated that the 2017 adopted Budget has been approved and returned by the DCA.

### New Business:

# Well Maintenance Contract - Approval

Tabled

Motion to approve the hiring of 2 Plant Operators was made by Mr. German, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mr. Brennan; a unanimous vote.

Motion to approve the hiring of a Field Service Technician was made by Mr. German, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mr. Brennan; a unanimous vote.

Motion to approve the application for Haddon Pointe Development was made by Mr. German, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mr. Brennan; **a unanimous vote** 

Motion to authorize Staff to bid Bethel Avenue Monopole Lease was made by Mr. German, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mr. Johnson; a unanimous vote

# Adjournment:

A motion was made by Mr. German and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mr. Brennan to adjourn the meeting at 4:39 PM; a unanimous vote.

Submitted by, Carol Feriozzi & Michael Saraceni