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**Minutes of the MPWC Monthly Business Meeting
February 11, 2016**

ATTENDEES:

Commissioners:

Mr. Joseph Scavuzzo, President
Mr. Patrick Brennan, Vice President
Mr. G. Burton German, Treasurer
Mr. George Piperno, Secretary
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
James Langraf -Esquire-Special Counsel
Mark Schiavo-Esquire-Special Counsel

The President called the meeting to order at 6:00PM

All Commissioners were present.

Salute to the Flag; the Open Public Meetings Act Compliance Statement was read.

There were several members of the public in attendance including: Anthony Marinelli and Chris Cornforth of Pennsauken/Merchantville Boy Scout Troop 118. It was explained that they were in attendance to achieve their Communications Merit badge and they need to attend an Open Public meeting and chose the MPWC.

ITEMS TO BE DISCUSSED

Cherry Hill Tank- Special Counsel Attendance- Executive Session-Litigation

A motion was made by Mr. German and 2nd by Mr. Piperno to move to Executive Session for matters of litigation/attorney-client privilege involving the Cherry Hill Tank at 6:10 PM. The Motion included that the Minutes of the Executive Session are to be made public 6 months after the final date of all appeals have expired and the Commission will return into public session within the hour.

A unanimous roll call vote except for Mr. Brennan who recused himself from Executive Session.

Public Meeting (Resumed):

Motion Mr. German and 2nd by Mr. Piperno to return to public session at 7:02 PM. **A unanimous roll call vote.**

Park Avenue –Emergency Operations Center-O.E.M. Coordinators

OEM Coordinators Dennis Cowgill and J.P. Beauchamp from Pennsauken and Merchantville respectively made a request for funding from the Commission for technical upgrades to the Park Avenue Conference Room which is used during emergencies as the area Emergency Operations Center. Each Coordinator explained the reasons for the request, how the upgrades would be beneficial to the MPWC and why they were asking the MPWC. Several questions were asked by the Commissioners and a discussion ensued.

It was decided that this unbudgeted expense was not something the MPWC could support at this time. It was further suggested that they first obtain support from their respective municipalities.

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MPWC 90th Anniversary

Mr. Saraceni requested consent and/or endorsement of the proposed 90th anniversary events that were outlined and previously given to the Commissioners. Mr. Brennan asked that the committee to reach out to Maureen McLoone of the Merchantville Historical Society, as she could provide information on Merchantville's history. Mrs. Eisenmann explained that both historical societies were to be invited, one at a time and that Pennsauken's invitation was sent first. It was agreed by the Commissioners that the upcoming events would continue to be discussed at the monthly Business Meetings.

HomeServe Marketing Initiative- Marketing Pieces

Mr. Brennan stated that he was concerned with how HomeServe is sending out marketing pieces in the MPWC envelope. He said this was confusing for customers and he felt that this was a misrepresentation to our customers. Mr. Saraceni then stated that this particular marketing piece was previously approved in October 2015. Mr. Scavuzzo then asked Mr. Saraceni to contact HomeServe with the Commissions concerns. Mr. Saraceni said that we will closely monitor future any/all mailings from HomeServe.

PMAC- C.O.O. Guest Speaker –April Meeting

Mr. Saraceni stated that he and Sean Fitzgerald will be guest speakers at the PMAC luncheon on April 13th and that this will give them an opportunity to highlight the services provided by the MPWC to the local business community. Mr. Scavuzzo then spoke to the public in attendance about the MPWC's high quality and low cost of water.

Westfield Avenue- Polling Site Request-Pennsauken Township

Mr. Saraceni stated that he received a request from Pennsauken Township to utilize the Westfield Ave. building as an election polling site for two (2) districts for the Primary in June and the Presidential election in November. Mr. Saraceni stated that this could possibly be held in the Westfield Ave. lobby and in the corridor. A discussion ensued and it was decided that Mr. Saraceni should get more information and clarification before it can be decided. Mr. Scavuzzo suggested that Mr. Saraceni should seek clarification from Gene Padalino on his exact needs to ensure that there would be adequate accommodations. Mr. Saraceni agreed.

Project Financing-Special Meeting-Commission to select date/time

The Special Meeting will be held February 25th at 4:00 PM. Mr. German suggested that the distribution map be made available at the meeting. Mr. German requested that Mr. Garaguso as well as Mr. Saraceni, Mr. Spafford and Mr. Campbell be in attendance.

Approval of the Minutes

Motion to approve the Minutes of the Business Meeting of February 11, 2016 was made by Mr. German, 2nd by Mr. Brennan ; **a unanimous vote.**

Payment of Bills

Motion to approve payment of bills dated February 11, 2016 with the exception of Pennsauken was made by Mr. German, 2nd by Mr. Brennan ; **a unanimous roll call vote.**

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Motion to approve payment of bills dated February 11, 2016 to Pennsauken was made by Mr. German, 2nd by Mr. Brennan ; **a unanimous roll call vote. Mr. Scavuzzo abstained.**

Correspondence

- Mayor Ricardo Taylor-Letter of Gratitude-Pennsauken Angel Tree Program
- D. Cowgill/J.P. Beauchamp to C. Campbell-Park Avenue Emergency Operations Center
- M. Saraceni to Pennsauken Historical Society-Invitation- 2-4-2016
- M. Saraceni to Mayor John Kneib-Invitation- 2-4-2016

Staff Reports:

Chief Operating Officer: Mr. Saraceni stated that he received a request from the developer for the Pennsauken Mart project requesting partial relief on connection fees. A discussion ensued and it was decided that the developer needs to submit an application first before the Commission can consider any specifics.

New Business:

Park Avenue EOC

Motion to reject EOC request. Motion: Mr. German, 2nd by Mr. Brennan; **a unanimous roll call vote.**

New Services:

2171 Route 70-Medical Facility 2” service/6” fire service -Motion to approve new service. Motion: Mr. German, 2nd By Mr. Brennan: **a unanimous roll call vote.**

Clements Avenue Tank Painting

Motion to authorize advertisement for bid Motion: Mr. German, 2nd By Mr. Brennan: **a unanimous roll call vote.**

Commissioners Reports / Discussions / Comments

Mr. Brennan- Mr. Brennan thanked Mr. Saraceni and Mr. Campbell for giving the local government annual presentations. He stated that the presentation was very informative and that they did a good job.

Mr. German- Mr. German spoke to the public in attendance and explained a brief history of the MPWC.

Mr. Scavuzzo- Mr. Scavuzzo also stated that Mr. Saraceni and Mr. Campbell did a nice job on the Pennsauken/Merchantville Annual Presentations.

Adjournment:

A motion was made by Mr. German and 2nd by Mr. Piperno to adjourn the meeting at 7:58 PM. **A unanimous vote.**

Submitted by,
Carol Feriozzi & Michael Saraceni