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**Minutes of the MPWC Monthly Business Meeting
June 9, 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, C.O.O.
Craig Campbell, Superintendent
Richard Spafford, P.E.
Karl N. McConnell, General Counsel
Colleen O'Brien, Customer Support Rep.

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

All Commissioners were present.

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

ITEMS DISCUSSED:

MPWC 90th Anniversary – Plaque/Picture with Commissioners

As part of the 90th anniversary Staff had the original check with which the Water Commission purchased the Merchantville Water Company placed on a plaque and the Commissioners took a photo with it.

NJDEP Correspondence – Recommendations

Superintendent Craig Campbell advised the Commissioners regarding the DEP correspondence received, his response, and the proactive steps being taken.

Clements Avenue Tank – Project Status

Rich Spafford reported that the containment stage has commenced and the blasting and painting stage will ensue following that.

Service Line Replacement - Status

Superintendent Campbell reported that there were only a total of 5 lead services found on the MPWC's side of the connections. To date 2 have been replaced and the remaining are scheduled to be addressed in the coming weeks.

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Ass't Secretary/Treasurer**Recruitment Initiative – Field Service Technician & Plant Operator**

Michael Saraceni reported that the Staff recommends a solid candidate for the Field Service Technician that already has training in all MPWC's needed areas. Staff would like more time to review the applicants for Plant Operator and will have recommendation at the next monthly meeting. Also Staff seeks to hire this year's Summer Help employees.

Salary Committee – Commission Discretion/Approval

Mr. German received no inquiries or questions regarding the salary committee's recommendations. A motion was made by Mr. German and 2nd by Mr. Piperno to approve the salary committee's recommendations as submitted. **A unanimous roll call vote.**

Approval of the Minutes

A motion was made by Mr. German and 2nd by Mr. Johnson to approve the minutes of the Business meeting and Executive sessions of May 12, 2016. **A unanimous roll call vote.**

Payment of the Bills

A motion was made by Mr. German and 2nd by Mr. Piperno to approve payment of the bills dated May 17, 2016, and June 9, 2016 with the exception of a bill for Pennsauken Township. **A unanimous roll call vote.**

A motion was made by Mr. German and 2nd by Mr. Piperno to approve payment of a bill from Pennsauken Township dated May 17, 2016. **A unanimous roll call vote, except Mr. Scavuzzo abstained.**

Staff Reports

Mr. Saraceni reported that the use of the MPWC HQ as a polling place went well, and that the Westfield Avenue Office will be used again in November.

Mr. Spafford reported that Visa Credit Cards are now able to be accepted by the MPWC.

Mr. McConnell reported and provided a copy of a proposed DCA rule regarding LFB approval of Bond refunds.

Old Business

Richard Spafford and Ryan Magee will be attending this year's AWWA Conference scheduled for the following week.

New Business

A motion was made by Mr. German and 2nd by Mr. Johnson to hire the Staff's recommendations for the Field Service Technician and Summer Help. **A unanimous roll call vote.**

A motion was made by Mr. German and 2nd by Mr. Johnson to reschedule the July 14th Meeting at 4:00PM. **A unanimous roll call vote.**



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Project Status Table

Mr. Piperno inquired about removing the Vulnerability Assessment from the Project Status Table. After discussion, it was decided that it would remain until everything was completed.

Commissioners Reports

Mr. German reported that the last bill regarding the Cherry Hill tank litigation was received. Also, that the MPWC may pay off the remaining balance of the bond, but he will discuss with the Staff during the time of the Budget for 2017. Mr. German also happily stated that he has recently been reflecting on his 40 years of service with the MPWC.

Executive Session

A motion by Mr. German and 2nd by Mr. Johnson to move into Executive Session at 6:30 PM. **A unanimous roll call vote.**

A motion was made to return to the Public Meeting; Motion Mr. German and 2nd by Mr. Piperno at 6:55 PM. A unanimous voice vote.

Adjournment

A motion was made by Mr. German and 2nd by Mr. Brennan to adjourn at 6:56 PM. **A unanimous voice vote.**