

**MPWC**

MERCHANTVILLE-PENNSAUKEN WATER COMMISSION

6751 Westfield Avenue • Pennsauken, NJ 08110
Ph: 856.663.0043 • Fx: 856.486.7417 • www.mpwc.comMr. Joseph Scavuzzo
PresidentMr. Patrick Brennan
Vice PresidentMr. George Piperno
SecretaryMr. G. Burton German
TreasurerMr. Ronald Johnson
Asst. Secretary/Treasurer**Minutes of the MPWC Monthly Business Meeting
September 14, 2017****ATTENDEES****Commissioners:**

Mr. Joseph Scavuzzo, President
Mr. Patrick Brennan, Vice President
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
Brandy Eisenmann, Customer Service Director
Carol Feriozzi Administrative Assistant

The meeting called to order at 4:00 PM.

There was a roll call of Commissioners all but Mr. German were present.

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

ITEMS TO BE DISCUSSED:**2016 Audit- Approval**

Mr. Brennan stated that a few questions were raised by Mr. Johnson regarding the 2016 Audit. Mr. Brennan then responded to each question.

2018 Budget Drafts.

Mr. Saraceni stated that Mr. German had consulted with the Director of Finance, the Engineer and the C.O.O. when drafting the Budget. A discussion ensued and concluded with the proposal including a 2% rate increase.

Chapel Ave.-Project Status and Update- Change Order Needed

Mr. Spafford informed the Commissioners of the status of the Chapel Ave project. He sought approval for a change order in the amount of \$95,136.00 as a result of necessary adjustments identified to complete the project.

Connection Fee and Rate Hearing (If Necessary)- October Meeting

The Connection Fee and Rate Hearing will be held on October 12, 2017. The MPWC Auditor and stenographer have been notified. Notifications will be made to ensure timely publication of notice.

Water Meter Program 2017-2018 Expenses

Mr. Spafford sought approval for additional funding through a line item transfer within the 2017 Capital budget for the Water Meter Replacement Project. The request was made to maintain the current pace/schedule of installations. A discussion ensued. It was decided by the Commissioners to approve the request.

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Mr. Saraceni sought authorization to replace Radee Abdullah with a Field Service Technician position.

River Road Acquisition

Mr. Piperno gave background information to the River Road property. It is a 100' x 100' parcel of land on River road and Cove Road. He stated that the MPWC could use for future needs. The Commissioners directed Mr. Saraceni to obtain an appraisal on the parcel in question and to bring findings to the next Commission Meeting.

Approval of the Minutes

A motion by Mr. Brennan and 2nd by Mr. Johnson to approve the Minutes of the Business Meeting of August 10, 2017. **A unanimous roll call vote.**

Payment of the Bills

A motion by Mr. Brennan and 2nd by Mr. Piperno to approve payment of the bills in amount of \$550,866.35 dated August 10, 2017, except for that of Pennsauken Township. **A unanimous roll call vote.**

A motion by Mr. Brennan and 2nd by Mr. Johnson to approve payment to the township of Pennsauken, dated September 14, 2017 in the amount of \$10,322.84. **A unanimous roll call vote, except Mr. Scavuzzo abstained.**

A motion by Mr. Brennan and 2nd by Mr. Piperno to approve payment for Wire Transfer-Peachtree, dated September 14, 2017 in the amount of \$3,279.00. **A unanimous roll call vote.**

Correspondence

Alex Shubert- ISO to Edward Brennan-Merchantville Rating Improvement

Staff Reports:**Chief Operating Officer**

Mr. Saraceni gave a brief status update on Mr. German,

Old Business:

A motion by Mr. Brennan and 2nd by Mr. Piperno to approve the 2016 Audit. **All present voted in the Affirmative, except Mr. Johnson abstained.**

New Business:

A motion by Mr. Brennan and 2nd by Mr. Johnson to approve the Chapel Ave. Change Order in the amount of \$95,136.00. **All present voted in the Affirmative**

A motion by Mr. Brennan and 2nd by Mr. Piperno to approve line item transfers for Meter Replacement Expenditures. **All present voted in the Affirmative.**

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A motion by Mr. Brennan and 2nd by Mr. Piperno to approve authorization to recruit for the open position. **All present voted in the Affirmative**

A motion by Mr. Brennan and 2nd by Mr. Piperno to approve the Amended Budget. **All present voted in the Affirmative**

A motion by Mr. Brennan and 2nd by Mr. Johnson to approve New Service at 639 Highland Ave. **All present voted in the Affirmative**

Commissioners Reports:

Mr. Brennan gave a brief status report on Mr. German.

Mr. Scavuzzo commended employee Radee Abdullah who recently left the MPWC. It was said that he was a good employee and that he alone did 70-80% of the meter replacements since that program had started. It was also mentioned that he received much praise from customers. He will be missed by all.

Adjournment

A motion by Mr. Brennan and 2nd by Mr. Johnson to adjourn at 4:55 PM. **A unanimous voice vote of those present.**

Submitted By:

Carol Feriozzi & Michael Saraceni