

**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
Ass't Secretary/Treasurer**Minutes of the MPWC Monthly Business Meeting
November 9, 2017****ATTENDEES****Commissioners:**Mr. Joseph C. Scavuzzo, President
Mr. Patrick Brennan, Vice President
G. Burton German, Treasurer
Mr. George Piperno
Mr. Ronald S. Johnson**Other Attendees:**Michael A. Saraceni, C.O.O.
Craig Campbell, Superintendent
Brandy Eisenmann, Dir. of Customer Service
Karl N. McConnell, General Counsel
Carol Feriozzi, Administrative Assistant
Angela Waldron, Administrative Services Supvr.
Scott Davenport, Sr. Vice President of Conner
Strong & Buckelew

The meeting called to order at 4:00 PM.

There was a roll call of Commissioners all were present.

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

The following items were discussed:

Borough Main Re-lining Pilot- Authorization

Mr. Saraceni requests to perform a main re-lining for a section of main running from Plymouth to Glenwood. A discussion ensued and Mr. Brennan asked staff to research if the cooler weather/freezing would affect the re-lining.

NJDEP Regulations-PFOA and PFNA Regulations

Mr. Campbell stated that the NJ Drinking Water Quality Institute (advisory board for NJDEP) has recommended regulating at lower levels both PFOA and PFNA. The state administration has accepted this recommendation and will implement. Both PFOA and PFNA will now have a regulated MCL (maximum contaminant level). A timeline for implementation has not been released by NJDEP yet. GAC has greater than 90% success with removal and is currently only at the Marion Ave. plant. Additionally, 1,4 dioxane and 1,2,3 TCP are still under review.

Salary Committee-Proposal to Commission

Mr. German stated that the Salary Committee met with Management for recommendations for salaried employees. Each Commissioner was given a copy of the proposal and was asked to review them for the December Meeting. Mr. German stated that he was recommending a 2% increase for all salaried personnel. Commissioners were asked to refer questions to either Mr. German or Mr. Scavuzzo. Commissioners requested a copy of last year's salary increases.



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Conner-Strong Benefits Presentation

Mr. Saraceni turned the meeting over to Mr. Scott Davenport of Conner Strong & Buckelew who introduced the concept of a revised employee medical benefit plan. The Commissioners were provided an analysis of the reduced costs that could be achieved by all parties. The Commissioners expressed a desire to attempt to structure such a plan to ensure that no beneficiary would be expected to contribute more than they do now. Staff was directed to conduct the necessary assessments and evaluation and report back to the Commission.

Approval of the Minutes

A motion by Mr. German and 2nd by Mr. Johnson to approve the Minutes of the Business Meeting of October 12, 2017. **A unanimous roll call vote.**

Payment of the Bills

A motion by Mr. German and 2nd by Mr. Piperno to approve payment of the bills in amount \$386,138.04 dated 11/9/2017 and the PWT Tax Revision \$3,494.16, except for that of Pennsauken Township dated 10/13/2017. **A unanimous roll call vote.**

A motion by Mr. German and 2nd by Mr. Johnson to approve payment to the Township of Pennsauken, dated November 9, 2017 in the amount of \$98,754.74. **A unanimous roll call vote, except Mr. Scavuzzo abstained.**

Correspondence

Chelyn Frisbey to Joyce Peirce-Pennsauken High School-Scholarship Request

Staff Reports:

Chief Operating Officer

Mr. Saraceni informed the Commissioners that the MPWC will be participating in both the Pennsauken and Merchantville holiday parades.

New Business:

A motion by Mr. German and 2nd by Mr. Johnson to approve the 2018 Holiday schedule. **All voted in the Affirmative.**

A motion by Mr. German and 2nd by Mr. Johnson to authorize the main relining pilot installation in the Borough (Plymouth to Glenwood). **All voted in the Affirmative**

A motion by Mr. German and 2nd by Mr. Piperno to approve Pennsauken scholarships. **All voted in the Affirmative**

A motion by Mr. German and 2nd by Mr. Johnson to approve authorization to issue a Proprietary Bid in accordance with the report and recommendations of the Engineer as specified. **All voted in the Affirmative.**



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New Services

A motion by Mr. German and 2nd by Mr. Piperno to approve new services at 7582 Romeo Road. **All present voted in the Affirmative**

Project Status

Mr. Brennan raised the question regarding the completion of the radio meters replacement program seeking clarification on where the additional funding was coming from. A discussion ensued and Staff was directed to report back to the Commission with regards to the Capital budget status.

Commissioners Reports:

Mr. German thanked staff and Commissioners for the cards and well-wishes.

Mr. Brennan stated that it was nice to have Mr. German back as did Mr. Piperno

Mr. Scavuzzo questioned when the Park Ave. gate would be repaired. Mr. Saraceni responded that we are waiting on the delivery of it now, and that we received the insurance check. He further indicated that payment would be withheld until the work was completed to our satisfaction.

Adjournment

A motion by Mr. Brennan and 2nd by Mr. Johnson to adjourn at 5:13 PM. **A unanimous voice vote of those present.**

Submitted By:

Carol Feriozzi & Michael Saraceni