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**Minutes of the MPWC Monthly Business Meeting
June 14, 2018**

ATTENDEES

Commissioners:

Mr. Joseph C. Scavuzzo, President
Mr. George R. Piperno, Vice President
Mr. Patrick Brennan, Treasurer
Mr. Ronald S. Johnson, Secretary
Mr. Edward Brennan, Asst. Secretary/Treasurer

Other Attendees:

Michael A. Saraceni, C.O.O.
Craig Campbell, Superintendent
Richard Spafford, P.E., Director of Engineering
Karl N. McConnell, General Counsel
Brandy Eisenmann, Customer Service Director
Carol Feriozzi, Administrative Assistant

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

Collingswood SSA – Water Management Services Agreement

Counsel advised that all Commissioner required language changes to Collingswood SSA from last month's executive session were accepted by Collingswood and all parties had executed the agreement and he asked for formal approval of that agreement. A discussion ensued regarding the progress and Mr. Spafford advised that we can now monitor their system remotely through SCADA. Mr. Brennan advised that he has been told that Collingswood is very pleased.

AWWA Conference – Las Vegas –

Mr. Spafford reported favorably on the conference he attended. Mr. Fitzgerald, unable to attend due to extenuating circumstances, is reimbursing the Commission for its expenditures.

Professional Services RFPs posted

Mr. Saraceni advised that RFP's for the various annual Professional Services were posted May 22nd and are due June 22, 2018. Recommendations will be brought to the July meeting.

Recruitment Initiative – Field Service Technician

24 persons applied for the position. 11 were interviewed of which 3 finalists were invited for a second interview. Only 2 accepted. Mr. Saraceni was seeking Commission approval to offer employment to a successful candidate who is anticipated would start the second week of July. Mr. Skirpan's last day is June 29.

Hampton Road – Relining Project

Mr. Spafford reported that the Hampton Road project would be completed the following day.



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Utility Services Group, Inc – Main Replacement Proposal (Introduction)

Mr. Spafford included in his materials a proposal by Utility Services Group which he believes is a concept worthy of further investigation due to main replacement requirements of the Water Quality Accountability Act. It was agreed that research and cost analysis is needed particularly once the state regulations are crafted.

Salary Committee – Recommended Submissions

Committee members indicated that they received no comments or inquiries from any other Commissioners about their report and recommended that the Commissioners approve the salary committee recommendations.

Public Comment – The President noted no public was present to comment.

Approval of the Minutes

Motions by Mr. Patrick Brennan and 2nd by Mr. Johnson to approve Minutes of the Business Meeting and Executive Session of May 10, 2018.

Payment of the Bills

A motion by Mr. Pat Brennan and 2nd by Mr. Piperno to approve payment of the bills dated June 14, 2018 in the amount of \$333,188.84. **All voted in the affirmative in a roll call vote.**

A motion by Mr. Pat Brennan and 2nd by Mr. Ted Brennan to approve payment to the Township of Pennsauken, dated June 14, 2018 in the amount of \$688.78. **All voted yes, except Mr. Scavuzzo abstained.**

A motion by Mr. Pat Brennan and 2nd by Mr. Johnson to approve payment for Scholarships dated May 11, 2018 in the amount of \$4,000.00. **All voted in the affirmative in a roll call vote.**

A motion by Mr. Pat Brennan and 2nd by Mr. Ted Brennan to approve payment to HRA Funding transfer in amount of \$7,500.00 dated May 10, 2018. **All voted in the affirmative in a roll call vote**

Bid Opening Carbon Treatment Plan-RFP Results

Mr. Spafford stated that R&V was the lowest bidder with a bid of \$241,000.00. The other bidders were Pennoni, CME and T&M. Mr. Spafford said it would take 4-6 weeks for Pilot results to be returned from Calgon before moving forward with any project design.

Staff Reports:

Mr. Campbell reported an 11% increase in pumpage attributed to increased industrial usage.

Mr. McConnell informed the Commissioners that NJAWC was requesting an emergency interconnect agreement as NJDEP was seeking to document all interconnections. Negotiations will be required.

Old Business:

A motion by Mr. Brennan and 2nd by Mr. Johnson to approve hourly employee salary adjustments as recommended by the salary committee and as recorded in the resolution. **All voted in the Affirmative.**



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New Business:

Motion by Mr. Piperno and 2nd by Mr. Ted Brennan to adopt Collingswood SSA. **All voted in the Affirmative.**

Motion by Mr. Pat Brennan and 2nd by Mr. Piperno to award R&V for Carbon Treatment. **All voted yes, except Mr. Ted Brennan abstained.**

Motion by Mr. Ted Brennan and 2nd by Mr. Pat Brennan to authorize hiring of a new Field Service Technician. **All voted in the Affirmative in a roll call vote.**

Commissioners Reports:

Mr. Johnson thanked Mr. Pat Brennan and staff on their excellent job with the Collingswood agreement.

Mr. Ted Brennan reiterated Mr. Johnson's comment.

Mr. Piperno stated he had some concerns with the Pennsauken Memorial Day Wreath Laying Ceremony. It was agreed that going forward if Commissioners were not available that the MPWC would be represented by staff.

Mr. Pat Brennan discussed the financial statements distributed to each Commissioner and anyone needs more information, to let him know.

Mr. Scavuzzo complemented staff on the Collingswood SSA and Zimmerman Ave. project.

Adjournment

Motion to adjourn by Mr. Piperno and 2nd by Mr. Johnson, followed by a unanimous vote.

Submitted By:

Carol Feriozzi & Michael Saraceni