

**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. George Piperno  
Vice PresidentMr. Ronald Johnson  
SecretaryMr. Patrick Brennan  
TreasurerMr. Edward Brennan  
Ass't Secretary/ Treasurer**Minutes of the MPWC Monthly Business Meeting  
October 11, 2018****ATTENDEES****Commissioners:**

Mr. Joseph Scavuzzo, President  
Mr. George R. Piperno, Vice President  
Mr. Patrick Brennan, Treasurer  
Mr. Ronald 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  
There was a roll call of Commissioners  
Salute to the Flag; the Open Public Meetings Act Compliance Statement was read.

The following items were discussed:

**2019 Operating and Capital Budgets – approval required**

Mr. Saraceni stated that the amended 2019 Operating and Capital Budgets are ready to be sent to the state for approval. Mr. Johnson had some concerns about the budget and all concerns were addressed by staff and CPA Jim Miles. He was satisfied with the responses and he recommended to pass the budget.

**Medical/Prescription Plan – Renewal Pending**

Mr. Saraceni said that he has been in close contact with our Broker of Record Scott Davenport from Conner Strong about the renewal rate for Horizon. He reported that negotiations are ongoing and Mr. Davenport should have a final number shortly. Mr. Saraceni said that a 40 % increase has been budgeted for 2019. A discussion ensued. Mr. Pat Brennan suggested that staff explore other options for insurance carriers. Mr. Saraceni agreed to do so.

**NJDEP – Spill Fund Meeting – October 4, 2018**

Mr. Saraceni reported that he, Rich Spafford and Craig Campbell met with the NJDEP to discuss if the MPWC is eligible for the spill fund. Mr. Spafford then gave the specifics of what the spill fund is and what it is used for. Mr. Spafford reported that the preliminary tasks have already been completed. Alternative analysis is now needed. Another meeting will be set-up with the DEP once the alternative analysis is completed.

**Connection Fee Hearing – Scheduled for November 8<sup>th</sup> Meeting**

Mr. Saraceni reported that the Connection Fee hearing will be November 8<sup>th</sup> at 4:00 pm. It has been advertised and letters have been sent out. The residential connection fee will increase by \$75.00 and the commercial connection fee will increase by \$3.28. There will be no water rate increase.



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**Commission – Facilities Tour – November 2<sup>nd</sup>**

Mr. Saraceni said that the Commissioners tour of the MPWC facilities will be on November 2<sup>nd</sup>. Mr. Campbell gave an overview of the tour plans.

**Personnel – Daniel Persiano – successful completion of provisional status**

Mr. Saraceni stated that Dan Persiano successfully completed his provisional period. He received a stellar review from Ms. Eisenmann. Mr. Persiano's benefits are now activated.

**Approval of the Minutes**

A motion by Mr. Pat Brennan and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mr. Piperno to approve the Minutes of the Business Meeting of September 13, 2018. **All present voted in the affirmative in a roll call vote. Mr. Johnson abstained.**

**Payment of the Bills**

A motion by Mr. Pat Brennan and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mr. Johnson to approve payment of the bills in the amount of \$374,380.45 and \$5000.00-Benefit Express Wire transfer- totaling \$379,380.45 dated 9/13/18. **All present voted in the affirmative in a roll call vote.**

**Staff Reports**

Mr. Saraceni stated that annual reviews for salaried employees are in the process of being completed and that he will schedule a meeting with the salary committee to review. Recommendations will be brought to the November Commission meeting to review and to be approved at the December meeting.

**New Business**

A motion by Mr. Pat Brennan and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mr. Johnson to approve the amended 2019 Operating and Capital Budget. All present voted in the Affirmative.

**New Services:**

A motion by Mr. Pat Brennan and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mr. Piperno to approve new services at: 3911 Federal St- 6" and 8" residential/apartment services, 761 Cuthbert Blvd.-4" and 6" commercial services, 6306 Browning Road- new 2" service for commercial property and 2100 Haddonfield Rd. (Haddon Point) – 189 - 1" residential services. All present voted in the Affirmative.

**Informational**

Mr. Brennan said that a 10-year anticipated budget was posted in the Informational folder and printed copy has been placed in Commissioners mailboxes for review.

**Commissioners Reports:**

Mr. Johnson thanked Commissioners and staff for the plant and fruit. He said he is happy to be back and that he appreciated everyone's thoughts and prayers while he was out.

Mr. Ted Brennan said that he was happy that Mr. Johnson is back.



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Mr. Pat Brennan echoed Mr. Ted Brennan's sentiment. Mr. Brennan then discussed the MPWC financial position in comparison to last year.

**Adjournment**

A motion by Mr. Piperno and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mr. Ronald Johnson to adjourn at 4:44 PM. **A unanimous voice vote of those present.**

**Submitted By:**

Carol Feriozzi & Michael Saraceni

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