Mr. Joseph Scavuzzo
PresidentMr. Shakir Ali
Vice PresidentMr. Frank Warwick
SecretaryMr. Patrick Brennan
TreasurerMr. Anthony Perno
Ass't Secretary/ Treasurer**Minutes of the MPWC Monthly Business Meeting
March 10, 2022****ATTENDEES****Commissioners:**

Mr. Joseph Scavuzzo, President
Mr. Shakir Ali, Vice President
Mr. Patrick Brennan, Treasurer
Mr. Frank Warwick, Secretary
Mr. Anthony Perno, Asst. Secretary/Treasurer

Other Attendees:

Jack Killion, C.O.O.
Richard Spafford, P.E., Director of Engineering
Karl N. McConnell, General Counsel
Brandy Eisenmann, Customer Service Director
James Garaguso, Assistant Superintendent

Mr. Scavuzzo called the meeting to order at 4:10 PM.
The roll call of Commissioners reflected all present.
Salute to the Flag; Open Public Meetings Act Compliance Statement read.

Oath of Office – Anthony Perno

General Counsel administered the Oath of Office to Mr. Anthony Perno.

Designation of Commission Officers:

Upon a nomination of a single complete slate of officers and vote of the Commissioners, the following reorganization occurred:

Mr. Frank Warwick- Secretary
Mr. Anthony Perno- Assistant Secretary/ Treasurer
All other Commissioners remained in their current positions

Water Main Replacement Contract Amendment

Mr. Spafford is seeking Commission approval on the continuation of the agreed upon project scope for 2022/2023.

Klenzoid Costs

The vendor is unable to continue to meet the contract price due to component costs having become unattainable near the original cost and request a permissive termination of the agreement. He recommends acceptance.

Bid Openings for Tank Painting

Mr. Spafford reported on the bid openings and recommended awards to the low bidders for exterior painting of Woodbine tank and interior painting of Clement Ave. tank.

Bid Opening for Antennae Space

Mr. McConnell reported that there were no bids received for the antennae space on the Woodbine tank.

HomeServe USA Price Increase

Ms. Eisenmann reported that HomeServe would be increasing contract pricing to participating customers upon renewal beginning in June of 2022. Mr. Brennan asked that staff confirm the new pricing will still reflect the maximum discount to the customer base in lieu a commission to the MPWC.

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Ms. Eisenmann reported on plans to resume standard collections procedures in anticipation of the expiration of the moratorium on March 15, 2022. Staff will continue to offer extended installment agreements to customers seeking assistance in paying outstanding balances. The MPWC will continue to utilize its social platforms, website and other publications to inform customers of options available to them.

Customer Leak Adjustments

Ms. Eisenmann seeks Commission approval of an adjustment for 3612 Connecticut Avenue in accordance with MPWC regulation for unusual and extreme circumstances. Ms. Eisenmann also seeks Commission decision on a customer request for leak adjustment appeal for 6020 Mansion Avenue.

Approval of the Minutes

A motion by Mr. Brennan and 2nd by Mr. Warwick to approve the Business Meeting Minutes of February 10, 2022. **A unanimous roll call vote of all present, except Mr. Perno abstained.**

Payment of the Bills

A motion by Mr. Brennan and 2nd by Mr. Ali to approve payment of the bill list dated March 10, 2022, for \$800,216.14 and the P-Card in the amount of \$610.24. **A unanimous roll call vote of all present.**

A motion by Mr. Brennan and 2nd by Mr. Warwick to approve payment of the bills for Pennsauken Township in the amount of \$380.00. **A unanimous roll call vote of all present, except Mr. Scavuzzo and Mr. Ali abstained.**

Meeting Open to the Public:

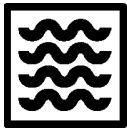
The President opened the meeting for public comment. Mr. George Lancaster of 405 W. Maple Avenue introduced himself and indicated that he was in attendance to observe and learn more about the MPWC. The Commissioners and staff engaged in conversation with Mr. Lancaster regarding MPWC history, operations, and answered questions posed by him about them.

Staff Reports

Mr. Killion reported that the MPWC staff have decided to participate in a charity donation drive for Ukraine and invited the Commissioners to participate. Mr. Killion reminded Commissioners that their annual elected officials training would take place in the month of April and that Angela would be in touch shortly with login information. Mr. Killion reported that staff has been planning for upcoming facilities tour for the elected officials in our host communities to commence at a ribbon cutting on our new Woodbine plant for April 29. Mr. Killion also discussed that staff was in the process of updating the 2016 Annual Report that would be completed and available by the tour. The Commission's strategic planning session would follow. Mr. Ali and Mr. Brennan suggested that staff hire a professional videographer to create a marketing video showcasing the MPWC's facilities and technology.

Mr. Garaguso reported that the County sub-contractor, Landberg Construction, was seeking a further extension of its temporary license/easement for construction staging to store materials on our Park Ave. property. The Commission agreed to the extension.

Mr. Spafford reported that Collingswood would be initiating a meeting in the near future for renegotiation of their contract with the MPWC. Mr. Spafford also seeks approval from the Commission to revise a section of a

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regulation having to do with billing of apartments. The Commission agreed to entertain the revision and Mr. Spafford will provide revised copy for review at the next meeting.

Mr. McConnell reported that he has received a Resolution from Bond Counsel to approve and authorize moving forward with financing for the National Highway plant project. Mr. McConnell also seeks approval to go out for bid for the antenna space on the Park Avenue tank as recited in his report.

Mr. Lancaster excused himself at this time and thanked everyone for the information provided.

Commission Business

A motion by Mr. Brennan and 2nd by Mr. Warwick authorizing an amendment to the water main replacement project contract. **A unanimous roll call vote of all Commissioners present.**

A motion by Mr. Brennan and 2nd by Mr. Ali to cancel the existing contract and to renegotiate new terms for Klenzoid. **A unanimous roll call vote of all members present.**

A motion by Mr. Brennan and 2nd by Mr. Perno to approve the leak adjustment for 3612 Connecticut Avenue. **A unanimous roll call vote of all members present.**

A motion by Mr. Brennan and 2nd by Mr. Ali to deny an appeal for further relief on the leak adjustment for 6020 Mansion Avenue. **A unanimous roll call vote of all members present.**

A motion by Mr. Brennan and 2nd by Mr. Ali to authorizing Bond Counsel to move forward with financing for the National Highway plant construction. **A unanimous roll call vote of all members present.**

A motion by Mr. Brennan and 2nd by Mr. Warwick accepting a bid of \$175,000 from Allied Painting for the Clement Avenue tank. **A unanimous roll call vote of all members present.**

A motion by Mr. Brennan and 2nd by Mr. Ali accepting a bid of \$171,000 from US Tank Painting for the Woodbine Avenue tank. **A unanimous roll call vote of all members present.**

A motion by Mr. Brennan and 2nd by Mr. Perno authorizing a minimum public bid on expiring T-Mobile antennae space on the Park Avenue tank per General Counsel's report. **A unanimous roll call vote of all members present.**

Project Status Table: Mr. Brennan reviewed and summarized the project status table.

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Ass't Secretary/ Treasurer**Commissioners Reports:**

Mr. Warwick welcomed Mr. Perno to the Commission and commented that the MPWC staff is both dedicated and hardworking. Mr. Ali also welcomed Mr. Perno to the Commission and echoed Mr. Warwick's sentiments regarding the MPWC staff. Mr. Perno thanked the Commissioners for the warm welcome and looks forward to being a part of the organization. Mr. Brennan also welcomed Mr. Perno and expressed that the business of water really becomes a part of you once you've joined the Commission. Mr. Killion added that he has been incredibly impressed by the staff since he began his employment with the MPWC and believes that Mr. Perno will find that this is a well-run and professional organization that we're all very proud to be a part of. Mr. Scavuzzo also welcomed Mr. Perno and expressed his agreement about the sentiments shared about Commissioners and Staff. Mr. Scavuzzo also noted that he recently attended a Town Hall meeting where a resident asked about testing done to water before new mains are charged.

Adjournment

A motion by Mr. P. Brennan and 2nd by Mr. Ali to adjourn at 5:51 PM. **Received a unanimous voice vote of all members present.**

Submitted By:

Brandy Eisenmann

Jack Killion

Karl McConnell