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President	Vice President	Secretary	Treasurer	Ass't Secretary/ Treasurer

Minutes of the Monthly Business Meeting March 13, 2025 ATTENDEES

Commissioners:

Other Attendees:

Mr. Joseph Scavuzzo, President Mr. Shakir Ali, Vice President Mr. Frank Warwick, Secretary Mr. Patrick Brennan, Treasurer

Mr. Jack Killion, C.O.O. Mr. Richard F. Spafford, P.E., Engineering Director Mr. James Garaguso, Distribution Superintendent Mr. Karl McConnell, General Counsel Ms. Angela Waldon, Finance Director Mrs. Jeannine Hershey, Asst. Finance Director

Mr. Scavuzzo called the meeting to order at 4:02 PM.

A roll call of Commissioners reflected Mr. Perno was absent.

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

Cherry Hill Tank Painting

Mr. Spafford noted that it has been 10 years since the tank was last painted, and this was a capitalized, budgeted project. A motion by Mr. Brennan and 2^{nd} by Mr. Warwick to go out to bid for Cherry Hill Tank painting. A unanimous roll call vote of all present.

Utility Services Scope of Work

Mr. Spafford identified that this was an annual process to agree on the scope of work for the contract. A motion by Mr. Brennan and 2^{nd} by Mr. Warwick to approve the scope of work for Utility Services. A unanimous roll call vote of all present.

Galvanized Service Line Project Contract

The project with Miller pipeline was ready to be signed following the award process that occurred at the February meeting.

Connection and Tapping Fees for Pennsauken Project

The Township has requested that the connection and tapping fees be waived for the upcoming construction project; this request is in correlation to what the Commission has done in previous similar circumstances.

National Highway Financing Resolution

Mr. Brennan requested clarification on when and how the 1 million dollars in principal forgiveness would be applied to this project. A motion by Mr. Brennan and 2^{nd} by Mr. Warwick to approve the financing resolution for NJIB. A unanimous roll call vote of all present.



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Approval of the Minutes

A motion by Mr. Brennan and 2nd by Mr. Ali to approve the minutes of the business meeting February 13, 2025. A unanimous roll call vote of all present.

Approval of the Bills

A motion by Mr. Brennan and 2nd by Mr. Warwick to approve payment of bills dated March 13, 2025 in the amount of \$409,244.22, and to approve payment of the P-card in the amount of \$175.00. A unanimous roll call vote of all present.

A motion by Mr. Brennan and 2nd by Mr. Warwick to approve payment of Pennsauken Township bills dated March 13, 2025 in the amount of \$6,812.86. A roll call vote approval including Mr. Ali who invoked the Doctrine of Necessity, and Mr. Scavuzzo who abstained.

Meeting Open to the Public

The meeting was opened to the public at 4:15 PM. No public was present.

Staff Reports

Chief Operating Officer

Mr. Killion noted that Financial Disclosure Forms would be due to be completed soon. He also noted that an annual report to the Township and Borough was still being scheduled. After noting projects in progress, it was decided that the best time to showcase the Commission may be August 2025. Mr. Killion also requested clarification of Commissioner rules from the governing body, as well as requesting a date change for the July meeting.

Engineer

Mr. Brennan requested an update on Collingswood as well as the Route 70 project.

General Counsel

Mr. McConnell noted that the litigation was still ongoing, and more information would be produced in the coming months.

Finance/Human Resources

Ms. Waldron noted that an OSC survey was in the process of being completed.

New Services

A motion by Mr. Brennan and 2nd by Mr. Warwick to approve a new 1" service at 530 Merchant Street, and a 1" service at Mansion Boulevard. A unanimous roll call vote of all present.

Project Status Table

Mr. Scavuzzo noted that the new Engineer was starting soon, Ms. Waldron replied that portions of the building were being repainted, including the Engineer's office, and that the carpets would be addressed in the coming months. Mr. Scavuzzo also asked regarding the website status, & it was noted that it was still on schedule.



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Commissioner Reports

Mr. Brennan brought up the idea that our governing municipalities could refrain from issuing certificates of occupancy until they have completed the process of identifying services as lead, galvanized or copper. He also reminded all that we are still in drought at this time, and voiced concerns regarding our current allocation status and recommended making sure our legislators and governing bodies were aware of said concerns. He concluded by noting that it was important to make sure we continued to be proactive in addressing current needs.

Adjournment

A motion by Mr. Warwick and 2nd by Mr. Ali to adjourn at 4:58PM. A unanimous voice vote of all present.

Submitted By:

Angela Waldron