

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING MEETING MINUTES OF JULY 15, 2010**

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**MOTIONED BY:** Rivera  
**SECONDED BY:** Raia

**WHEREAS**, the North Hudson Sewerage Authority (hereinafter "Authority") is a public body, duly formed under the Sewerage Authorities law, constituting Chapter 138 of the Laws of New Jersey of 1946, as amended (Chapter 14A of Title 40 of the New Jersey Statutes Annotated) and possesses the powers set forth therein; and

**WHEREAS**, a special meeting of the Authority was held on July 15, 2010; and

**WHEREAS**, minutes of the meeting have been prepared by General Counsel and presented to the Authority members and staff for their review.

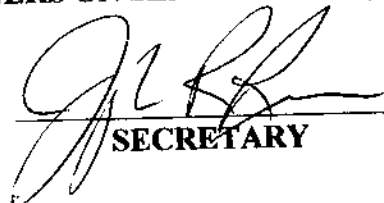
**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Authority hereby approves the minutes of the meeting of July 15, 2010 for the record.

**DATED: SEPTEMBER 16, 2010**

**RECORD OF COMMISSIONERS' VOTE**

	<b>YES</b>	<b>NO</b>	<b>ABSTAIN</b>	<b>ABSENT</b>
Commissioner Lopez				x
Commissioner Marotta	x			
Commissioner Raia	x			
Commissioner Rivera	x			
Commissioner Schroeder	x			
Commissioner Soares	x			
Commissioner Spaccavento	x			
Commissioner Stack	x			
Commissioner Wolff			x	

**THIS IS TO CERTIFY THAT THIS RESOLUTION WAS DULY ADOPTED BY THE NORTH HUDSON BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS ON SEPTEMBER 16, 2010.**

  
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**SECRETARY**

## **NORTH HUDSON SEWERAGE AUTHORITY**

### **MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING**

**JULY 15, 2010**

At approximately 6:30 p.m., Acting Chairman Harold Schroeder called the meeting to order. Counsel Leanza advised that this was a regular meeting of the Authority, and that pursuant to the Open Public Meetings Act, a schedule of the Authority's meetings had been sent to the Authority's official newspaper, the Jersey Journal, with a courtesy copy to the Hoboken Reporter. In addition, copies of such schedule were sent to the Clerks of Hoboken, Union City, Weehawken and West New York and the Hudson County Clerk, with a copy thereof posted on the Authority's bulletin board. In addition to Acting Chairman Schroeder, Commissioners Spaccavento, Marotta, Rivera, Raia and Soares were also all in attendance at the meeting.

Counsel Leanza advised that Anthony Soares of Hoboken had been appointed by the Hoboken City Council the previous evening to fill the vacancy left by the resignation of Commissioner Schaffer on July 1, 2010. Counsel Leanza advised that he had obtained a certified copy of the oath of office given to Commissioner Soares by the City Clerk of Hoboken and that a certified copy of the resolution of appointment would be forthcoming so that the same could be filed with the State Treasurer. At approximately 6:31 p.m., Commissioner Lopez arrived at the meeting.

#### **ENGINEER'S REPORT - AECOM.**

Gene DeStefano reported that AECOM had been preparing with CH2M Hill and OMI for a meeting with the NJDEP on the River Road plant Administrative Consent Order. On June 29<sup>th</sup>, a meeting was held with the DEP which indicated it would accept the south trickling filter upgrades for 2010 and put off the plant flow diversion to see if the same would be required in the future. The DEP also gave the Authority a one year extension on force majeure grounds for completion of the toxicity testing. Mr. Pocci added that the Authority is anxious to upgrade the trickling filter for compliance purposes and to determine whether these upgrades will suffice for meeting permit limits. AECOM continues to work with OMI regarding the progress and status of odor issues with the sludge storage tank and mixing system and is providing daily updates to the Authority with respect to the potential flow problems. AECOM has completed the design for the Purac upgrades and the plans and specifications therefore are at the DEP for review. Bids were also received on the Adams Street miscellaneous repair contract and the low bid at \$1.25 million dollars was below the \$1.4 million dollar estimate. AECOM was gearing up for its construction services contract, the 18<sup>th</sup> Street force main and CSO outfall and then met with the designer thereof, Hatch Mott Macdonald, to coordinate prior to the commence of the construction.

AECOM also reported that it was working on a request for proposals for the operations contract.

## CH2M Hill.

Michael Bennett reported that it appeared that the H1 wet weather pump station project will be delayed for six months from its original scheduled operations date because of delays in design and fabrication of the required PSE & G transformer. Also, complications caused by the grant from the ARRA program with regard to Buy America products has caused problems as there is only pump qualified for the specifications made in the United States and some clarification is required because some of the parts thereof are made in Switzerland. It appears that the pumps cannot be delivered until some time in January or February of 2011.

Mr. Pocci also reported that the design of the electrical building coming from the City of Hoboken is not a delay and settlement of the old records building appears not to be on the critical path either.

Commissioner Soares inquired whether these delays will require a stop in the construction and a start later on or construction will be continuous.

Mr. Bennett replied that construction will most likely be conducted in a continuous manner with the contractor doing whatever work he can prior to delivery of the transformers and pumps.

## OMI.

Michael Arnold reported that the River Road facility had met all administrative consent order requirements with 81% and 79% removal percentages for BOD and TSS. Effluent concentrations of 38 mg/l and 28 mg/l respectively were also attained. More importantly, no odor complaints had been received in the previous month.

At approximately 6:44 p.m., Commissioner Stack arrived at the meeting.

OMI is continuing its work on an interim odor control plan prior to completion of the permanent odor control facility. In addition, OMI is purchasing on its own, without seeking reimbursement from the Authority, a backup sludge tank aerator to avoid any problems should there be a breakdown in the same. Mr. Pocci indicated that the existing sludge tank aerator would have to be replaced sometime in the near future in any event and the Authority should consider at such time reimbursing OMI for the backup.

The Adams Street facility met all permit requirements with removal percentages of 91% and 93% of BOD and TSS respectively and effluent concentration amounts of 13 mg/l and 11 mg/l of BOD and TSS respectively. All equipment is operating properly and 8 Purac cells are now working and the upgrade structurally of the Purac system is anticipated to be bid in the near future.

Mr. Arnold also reported that on July 13<sup>th</sup>, flow peaked at 15 million gallons a day and the plant almost immediately returned to normal operations indicating that the excess capacity had no

stress on any of the systems.

**HATCH MOTT MACDONALD.**

Kevin Wynn reported that the 18<sup>th</sup> CSO force main and outfall had received authorization to advertise from the NJDEP and Hartz Mountain had forwarded the easement agreement for its property necessary for the project to the Authority.

With respect to the Adams Street outfall rehabilitation, Authority counsel is still working with both Green Acres and the City of Hoboken to obtain the necessary temporary construction easements therefore. With respect to the Jackson Street and Newark Street combined sewer rehabilitation and the Hoboken combined sewer rehabilitation, necessary documentation therefore had been submitted to the NJDEP and we are waiting authorization to approve the award of the contract.

Hatch Mott Macdonald has also been assisting the Authority with respect to the odor control issues at the West New York plant.

Upon motion by Commissioner Raia, seconded by Commissioner Rivera, Resolution 10-082 authorizing the payment of bills was approved with 7 votes in the affirmative and Commissioner Soares abstaining because of his most recent appointment to the Authority.

Upon motion by Commissioner Stack, seconded by Commissioner Raia, Resolution 10-083 directing work to Cliffside Paving was adopted with 7 votes in the affirmative and Commissioner Soares' abstention.

Upon motion by Commissioner Stack, seconded by Commissioner Raia, Resolution 10-084 directing work to the special finance advisor with respect to the structured financing project was unanimously adopted noting that the same had been approved by the Finance Committee and Commissioner Soares' reliance on the previous review by the Finance Committee.

Upon motion by Commissioner Raia, seconded by Commissioner Stack, Resolution 10-085 authorizing the award of the 2010 Adams Street Wastewater Treatment Plant Miscellaneous Repair Contract was unanimously adopted noting that the same had been approved by the Facilities Review Board.

Upon motion by Commissioner Stack, seconded by Commissioner Lopez, Resolution 10-086 was unanimously adopted, again noting that the same had been previously approved by the Facilities Review Board.

Upon motion by Commissioner Raia, seconded by Commissioner Stack, Resolution 10-087 directing work to CH2M Hill for the design and bid of upgrades to the south trickling filter at the River Road treatment plant was unanimously adopted, noting that the same had been approved by

the Facilities Review Board.

Upon motion by Commissioner Rivera, seconded by Commissioner Raia, Resolution 10-088 authorizing the delivery and execution of loan documents with the NJEIT fund was unanimously adopted.

Upon motion by Commissioner Stack, seconded by Commissioner Lopez, Resolution 10-089 establishing the evaluation committee to review and score recommended proposals for operation and maintenance of the Authority's facilities was unanimously adopted. The same had been previously approved by the Finance Committee and Counsel Leanza gave a brief explanation of the process under the Wastewater Treatment Privatization Act as well as the recently adopted Best Practices published by the Controller of the State of New Jersey and adopted by the Division of Local Government Services of the Department of Community Affairs for use by local entities in service contracts.

At approximately 7:04 p.m., upon motion by Commissioner Raia, seconded by Commissioner Stack, it was unanimously resolved to adjourn the meeting.