

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING MEETING MINUTES OF MARCH 21, 2013

MOTIONED BY: Schroeder

SECONDED BY: Marotta

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 regular meeting of the Authority was held on March 21, 2013; 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 March 21, 2013 for the record.

DATED: APRIL 18, 2013

RECORD OF COMMISSIONERS' VOTE

	YES	NO	ABSTAIN
Commissioner Marotta	x		
Commissioner Raia	x		
Commissioner Schroeder	x		
Commissioner Soares			x
Commissioner Spaccavento	x		
Commissioner Velazquez	x		
Commissioner Wiley	x		
Commissioner Zucconi	x		

THIS IS TO CERTIFY THAT THIS RESOLUTION WAS DULY ADOPTED BY THE NORTH HUDSON BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS ON APRIL 18, 2013.


SECRETARY

NORTH HUDSON SEWERAGE AUTHORITY

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING

MARCH 21, 2013

At approximately 6:30 p.m., Chairman Frank Raia called the meeting to order. Counsel Covello advised that this was a regular meeting of the Authority, and that pursuant to the Open Public Meetings Act, notice of the same had been sent to the Jersey Journal, Star Ledger, 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 Chairman Raia, Commissioners Spaccavento, Wiley, Schroder, Marotta and Velazquez were also in attendance at the start of the meeting.

Chairman Raia called for the reports.

HATCH MOTT MACDONALD.

Anthony Gagliostro reported that as to the Adams Street WWTP Outfall Rehabilitation project, the contractor has lined approximately 90 percent of the new cured-in-place liner and the project is proceeding on schedule. Pressure testing will be completed before closing, which is expected to be completed by the end of April.

As to the Jackson Street and Newark Street Combined Sewer Rehabilitation and Hoboken Combined Wood Sewer Rehabilitation projects, the NJDEP has fully approved the change to perform the additional work related to this contract. Inspections are nearly complete, and all work needs to be performed at night. The replacement of the collapsed wood sewer from Observer Highway and First Street is scheduled to begin the first week of April. The Contractor has been working cleaning and inspecting the existing sewers along New York Avenue in Union City.

As to the Hamilton Avenue Sewer Rehabilitation, a major blockage was removed yesterday. They are coordinating with United Water regarding leaking sections. Some additional closed circuit television inspections of the sewer lines beneath Boulevard East are being conducted down stream of Hamilton Avenue.

Hatch Mott continues to work with the Authority to provide documentation and estimates of the Authorities infrastructure that was damaged by Super Storm Sandy.

CH2M Hill.

Mike Wilson reported that:

1. Park Avenue Siphon Rehabilitation and 11th Street Siphon Condition Assessment Project; CH2M HILL continued with the project investigation and design work. The project team prepared, submitted, and reviewed the draft Technical Memorandum for the 11th Street Siphon with NHSA. The team continued with site investigations for the Park Avenue Siphon portion of the project. The team initiated the design work for the Park Avenue Siphon rehabilitation.
2. Adams Street WWTP – Engineering Planning Study-PURAC System Rehabilitation; CH2M HILL visited the project site to tour the PURAC facilities to perform the individual system assessments. Completed a draft outline for the Report of Findings – Purac System Rehabilitation Engineering Planning Study and Capital Improvement Plan. A meeting is scheduled for next week and CH2M HILL will report following the meeting.
3. H1 Wet Weather Pump Station Services During Construction; CH2M HILL continued performing services during construction. Pump Station/Site Work: The Mechanical Bar Screen No. 2 experienced a failure during the March 12, 2013 storm event. CH2M HILL and OMI have working with the bar screen manufacturer (PW Tech) to remedy the problem. Outfall Extension/NJT Plaza Restoration: CH2M HILL is in the process of scheduling the final building inspection with the DCA.
4. Adams Street WWTP PC #3 & River Road WWTP Disinfection System Improvements Project; CH2M HILL continued to provide services during construction. CH2M HILL provided a letter to the contractor stating they were significantly behind schedule. We had a project meeting with the contractor on March 13, 2013. The Contractor is procuring some of the approved equipment for delivery and installation at the site.

At approximately 6:34 p.m., Commissioner Zucconi arrived at the meeting.

GREELEY AND HANSEN.

Cliff Pomerantz reported that the regulator study had been completed and the final report was accepted by the Authority. A scope of work and fee estimate for the recommended work was prepared. They are coordinating with Hatch Mott on the NJDEP/NJEIT loan application.

At approximately 6:36 Commissioner Suarez arrived at the meeting.

AECOM.

No one appeared on behalf of AECOM and the report was delivered by Authority Engineer, Frederic Pucci. AECOM met with Cruz Construction to review the schedule for final pavement restoration efforts near Marginal Road. The remaining work is expected to be completed in April.

Re-paving of the Authority's rear hard will take place in the warmer weather as well. A change order associated with the improvements to the front rain garden has been reviewed with the Authority for Board consideration.

OMI.

Gary Fournier of OMI reported that the Adams Street facility had enjoyed removal percentages of 89% and 89% respectively of BOD and TSS with effluent concentration amounts of 17 mg/l and 11 mg/l respectively.

With respect to the River Road facility, 81% and 81% removal percentages of CBOD and TSS had been attained with effluent concentrations of 25 mg/l and 22 mg/l respectively.

Commissioner Spaccavento questioned why permit limits were not met in West New York. Mr. Fournier responded that it was due to tight calculations.

Commissioner Wiley stated that he received several calls regarding River Road odor problems. Mr. Fournier stated that he had not received any complaints and he was unaware of any excessive odor problems at the facility. He stressed the importance of reminding residents to call if there is a problem so that it can be investigated promptly.

Average Daily Flow was 10.07, Daily Average BOD was 11,533 lbs/day and 327,330 gallons of sludge were handled.

ADJUSTERS INTERNATIONAL.

Tom Aloï reported that Adjusters International continued to capture emergency repair expenses while determining the best permanent repair solutions to our damaged systems. During this phase of the recovery proper procurement, cost analysis, engineering and impeccable documentation are all practices implemented in an effort to maximize our recovery funding. Over the past several weeks CH2MHILL Engineers have been documenting the recommended repairs into Bid Documents that are currently being utilized to award the permanent work to the most suitable contractors. Simultaneously Adjusters International is capturing the scope of work within these bid packages to support the claims submitted to FEMA.

The Hoboken Mitigation Plan is being submitted to FEMA. There are 3 wet weather pump stations as part of the proposal. There is a separate application from the Authority to FEMA to support these pump stations, and the City of Hoboken has endorsed the application. It is a strong application, with a cost of approximately \$19-20 Million.

There is an application for the hardening of the plant at 1600 Adams Street. The problem with the initial application was that the cost of the proposal exceeded the cost of the damages sustained. Modifications were made to bring the price down from \$5 Million to \$3.5 Million.

Executive Director Richard Wolff stated that the Authority was doing very well with their applications for FEMA funding. Fred Pocci thanked Tom Aloï for his efforts in aggressively moving forward.

Chairman Raia then called for the consideration of Resolutions on the agenda.

Upon motion by Commissioner Zucconi, seconded by Commissioner Schroeder, Resolution 13-040 authorizing the approval of minutes of the February 21, 2013 reorganization meeting of the Authority was adopted with a vote of 7 in favor and Commissioner Velazquez abstaining.

Next, Executive Director Richard Wolff explained all Resolutions listed on the Consent Agenda. Thereafter, upon a motion by Commissioner Marotta, seconded by Commissioner Schroeder, Consent Agenda Motions 13-041, 13-042, 13-043 and 13-044 were adopted with a vote of 8 in favor and 0 opposed.

Upon a motion by Commissioner Schroeder, seconded by Commissioner Marotta, Resolution number 13-045 authorizing sewer connection application No. 1210601, for 1411-1415 Grand Street, Hoboken was adopted with a vote of 7 in favor, 0 opposed, and Commissioner Soares Abstaining.

The Chairman called for new business, at which time Commissioner Soares inquired as to whether there was a spring clean-out schedule for the storm guards. Engineer Pocci responded that they were maintained throughout the year, and there was no need to have a specially scheduled spring clean-out program.

The Chairman then called for public comment, and seeing none, upon a motion by Commissioner Marotta, seconded by Commissioner Wiley, the meeting was adjourned at 7:00 with unanimous consent.

At approximately 7:15 p.m., upon motion by Commissioner Schroeder, seconded by Commissioner Spaccavento, it was unanimously resolved to adjourn the meeting.