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MOTIONED BY: Marotta SECONDED BY: Friedrich

**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 17, 2022; 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 17, 2022 for the record.

**DATED: APRIL 21, 2022** 

# RECORD OF COMMISSIONERS' VOTE

	YES	NO	ABSENT
Commissioner Kappock	X		
Commissioner Marotta	X		
Commissioner Gardiner	X		
Commissioner Friedrich	X		
Commissioner Guzman	X		
Commissioner Velazquez	X		
Commissioner Barrera	X		
Commissioner Zucconi			X
Commissioner Assadourian	X		

THIS IS TO CERTIFY THAT THIS RESOLUTION WAS DULY ADOPTED BY THE NORTH HUDSON BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS APRIL 21, 2022.



# THE NORTH HUDSON SEWERAGE AUTHORITY MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING

# March 21, 2022

At approximately 6:31 PM Chairman Kappock called the meeting to order.

#### OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT NOTIFICATION

Counsel Capizzi advised that this was a regularly scheduled meeting of the Authority properly noticed pursuant to the Open Public Meeting Act.

# **ROLL CALL**

Counsel Capizzi called the roll with Commissioners Assadourian, Friedrich, Gardiner, Guzman, Barrera, Marotta, Velazquez, Zucconi and Chairman Kappock participating via videoconference.

Counsel Capizzi advised that all appropriate actions may be taken by the Authority since 9 Commissioners were present.

# BUSINESS TO BE ACTED UPON

Executive Director Wolff next requested that the Commissioners consider the consent agenda resolutions, which he reviewed as follows:

- 1. Resolution No. 22-026 authorizing the approving the minutes of the regular meeting of the Authority held on February 17, 2022.
- 2. Resolution No. 22-027 authorizing bill payments in the aggregate amount of \$6,947,796.01, consisting of \$3,054,484.06 from the operating fund; \$3,886,864.09 from the capital fund; \$0.00 in emergency expenditures; and \$6.447.86 in connection review fees.
- 3. Resolution No. 22-028 authorizing a miscellaneous repair contract in the amount of \$60,125 for 1 severely worn manhole casting in Hoboken, 1 collapsed catch basin lateral in Hoboken, 6 severely worn manhole castings in Union City, and 5 collapsed catch basins in Union City.
- 4. Resolution No. 22-029 authorizing contract modification #05 with Rapid Pump & Meter Service Co. granting a time extension with no additional cost. The Facilities Review Board has reviewed the contract modification and recommends the approval of this resolution.
- 5. Resolution No. 22-030 authorizing annual base fee increase of 3% for the operation and maintenance contract with OMI/JACOBS. The Facilities Review

Board has reviewed the contract modification and recommends the approval of this resolution

- 6. Resolution No. 22-031 authorizing contract modification 2022-02 with OMI/JACOBS relating to the Corrective Maintenance Budget for the Adams Street Operations and Pump Stations in an amount not to exceed \$100,000. The Facilities Review Board has reviewed the contract modification and recommends the approval of this resolution.
- 7. Resolution No. 22-032 directing work to Dewberry, Bloomfield, New Jersey, to provide Professional Engineering Services During Construction for the Park Avenue Siphon Access Chamber Project in an amount not to exceed \$143,445.37. The Facilities Review Board has reviewed the proposal and recommends the approval of this resolution.
- 8. Resolution No. 22-032 authorizing the execution and delivery of various agreements relating to the permanent financing of Project 30 through the NJ I-Bank.
- 9. Resolution No. 22-033 ratifying and reaffirming an emergency declaration on February 22, 2022.

On motion of Commissioner Gardiner, seconded by Commissioner Friedrich, the consent agenda was adopted 9 - 0 - 0.

## REPORTS OF STAFF AND CONSULTANTS

Executive Director Wolff next requested that the Engineer reports be heard.

### Dewberry

Todd Yanoff of Dewberry thanked the Commissioners for the opportunity to work on the Park Avenue Siphon Chamber Project and is looking forward to starting construction.

# CH2M

Shivani Patel, P.E. of CH2M reported on the following: 1) Capital Improvement Projects: Adams Street WWTP Phase 3 - PURAC Upgrades SDC; and 2) Combined Sewer Overflow Projects: Program Manager for Development of the CSO LTCP; H6/H7 CSO LTCP Project - Phase 1; and H6/H7 CSO LTCP Project - Phase 2.

# Mott MacDonald

Kevin P. Wynn, P.E. of Mott MacDonald reported on the following: Collection System Characterization Study; Highwood Avenue / Terrace Emergency Repair; Sterling Avenue Drainage Improvement; Park Avenue Siphon Access Chamber; Adams Street Wastewater Treatment Plant Improvements; 2019 Collection System Improvements; West New York Leak Detection Program; Palisade Avenue Improvements; and 2018 Green Infrastructure Project.

# Hazen and Sawyer

Kevin D. Haney, P.E. of Hazen and Sawyer reported on following: H6/H7 CSO LTCP Phase 1 - Engineering Services During Construction.

# Jacobs Operation & Maintenance

Mark Berube of Jacobs Operation & Maintenance reported on the following:

Adams Street WWTP: The daily average flow was 13.61 million gallons per day with 608,300 gallons of sludge removed. The monthly average for fecal coliform was 10 CFU with a 200 CFU permit limit; the maximum weekly average for fecal coliform was 20 CFU with a 400 CFU permit limit. The 30-day average percent removal was 92% BOD and 94% TSS, with an 85% permit requirement. The 30-day average effluent concentration was 14 mg/L BOD and 9 mg/L TSS, with a 30 mg/L permit requirement.

River Road WWTP: The daily average flow was 8.60 million gallons per day with 413,700 gallons of sludge removed. The monthly average for fecal coliform was 2 CFU with a 200 CFU permit limit; the maximum weekly average for fecal coliform was 2 CFU with a 400 CFU permit limit. The 30-day average removal was 85% CBOD and 87% TSS, with an 85% permit requirement. The 30-day average effluent concentration as 21 mg/L CBOD and 22 mg/L TSS, with a 25 mg/L CBOD and 30 mg/L TSS permit requirement.

Collection Systems: All pump stations, regulators, and solids / floatables facilities were online and operational. Customer concerns: 25 received in February; 43 received year to date.

Sandy Recovery and Mitigation Projects progress report detailing completed / ongoing activities performed for the Authority in February.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

None.

### **CLOSED SESSION**

Executive Director Wolff next requested that the Commissioners go into closed session to discuss personnel matters.

At approximately 7:10 PM, on motion of Commissioner Gardiner, seconded by Commissioner Assadourian, it was unanimously resolved to go into closed session to discuss personnel matters.

At approximately 7:26 PM, on motion of Commissioner Gardiner, seconded by Chairman Guzman, it was unanimously resolved to return to open session.

# ROLL CALL

Counsel Capizzi advised that the Commissioners were in open session, and called the roll with Commissioners Assadourian, Friedrich, Gardiner, Guzman, Barrera, Marotta, Velazquez, Zucconi and Chairman Kappock participating via videoconference.

Counsel Capizzi advised that all appropriate actions may be taken by the Authority since 9 Commissioners were present.

#### PUBLIC COMMENT

Commissioner Gardiner inquired about the status of the Madison Avenue Project. Executive Director Wolff advised that the Authority is discussing terms with PSE&G which are being considered. Authority Engineer Pocci advised that the Authority is trying to reduce the reduce the scope of work for this project.

Commissioner Velazquez inquired about the Authority participating in studies relating to the testing effluent for COVID bacteria. Executive Director Wolff advised that the Authority has made such data available in one study; that the Authority is currently participating in a second study; and that the Authority will publicize its participation in same as the data seems to correlation with the number of COVID cases.

Mark Bloomberg, a resident of West New York, addressed the Commissioners about billing fees and security / privacy issues when using the Authority's electronic billing system. Executive Director Wolff and CFO Kish advised that billing fees are charged / received by a third-party vendor that the Authority uses because its system is integrated with the Authority's software. Executive Director Wolff advised that the information available on the electronic billing system is not private information and otherwise available pursuant to the Open Public Records Act.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

At approximately 7:29 PM on motion of Commissioner Gardiner, seconded by Commissioner Guzman, it was unanimously resolved to adjourn the meeting.