

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING MEETING MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 16, 2023

MOTIONED BY:

SECONDED BY:

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 February 16, 2023; 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 February 16, 2023 for the record.

DATED: MARCH 16, 2023

RECORD OF COMMISSIONERS' VOTE

YES

NO

ABSTAIN

Commissioner Kappock

Commissioner Marotta

Commissioner Gardiner

Commissioner Friedrich

Commissioner Guzman

Commissioner Velazquez

Commissioner Barrera

Commissioner Zucconi

Commissioner Assadourian

THIS IS TO CERTIFY THAT THIS RESOLUTION WAS DULY ADOPTED BY THE NORTH HUDSON BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS ON MARCH 16, 2023.

SECRETARY

THE NORTH HUDSON SEWERAGE AUTHORITY

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING

February 16, 2023

At approximately 6:38 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.

COVID-19 RELIEF MEASURES FOR RESIDENTIAL CUSTOMERS

Executive Director Wolff next advised that the Authority is required give notice of certain COVID-19 relief measures enacted into law at each governing body meeting for the 18 month period following the termination of Executive Order 103. Counsel Capizzi read the following notice:

“Certain relief measures are available for residential customers experiencing economic hardship during the COVID-19 pandemic.

The Low-Income Household Water Assistance Program is available to provide financial assistance to low-income households to reduce the balance on their residential sewer bill. LIHWAP will provide benefits directly to NHSA on behalf of residential customers. Customers can apply by visiting the NJ Department of Community Affairs website or by calling 1 (800) 510-3102.

Residential customers can also avail themselves of an installment plan for any outstanding sewer balances which accrued between March 9, 2020 and March 15, 2022. To maintain the installment plan, the residential customer must make timely payments on all current sewer charges.

Public Law 2021, c. 317, which was approved on December 21, 2021, prohibits local governments from charging residential customers interest for late payment of sewer charges which accrued between March 9, 2020 and March 15, 2022, until after March 15, 2022.

For more information on these relief measures we encourage our customers to visit our website at nhudsonsa.com.”

ROLL CALL

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

Counsel Capizzi advised that all appropriate actions may be taken by the Authority since 7 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 23-025 approving the approving the minutes of the regular meeting of the Authority held on January 19, 2023.
2. Resolution 23-026 approving the approving the minutes of the reorganization meeting of the Authority held on February 6, 2023.
3. Resolution No. 23-027 authorizing bill payments in the aggregate amount of \$3,822,511.20, consisting of \$3,412,688.00 from the operating fund; \$401,334.36 from the capital fund; \$0.00 in emergency expenditures; and \$8,488.84 in connection review fees.
4. Resolution No. 23-028 authorizing a miscellaneous repair contract in the amount of \$50,875.00 for 1 severely worn manhole casting in Hoboken, 4 severely worn manhole castings in Union City, 4 severely worn manhole castings in Weehawken, and 5 collapsed catch basins in Weehawken.
5. Resolution No. 23-029 authorizing the award of the Collection System Improvements Project - Contract 1 to National Water Main Cleaning Company, Kearny, New Jersey, which submitted the lowest responsible bid in the amount of \$1,142,519.50. The Facilities Review Board has reviewed the bids and recommends the approval of this resolution.
6. Resolution No. 23-030 directing work to Kleinfelder, Princeton, New Jersey, to provide Professional Engineering Services During Construction for the Collection System Improvements Project - Contract 1 in an amount not to exceed \$136,425.00. The Facilities Review Board has reviewed the proposal and recommends the approval of this resolution.
7. Resolution No. 23-031 directing work to EnTech Engineering, Iselin, New Jersey, to provide Professional Engineering Services During Construction for the Green Infrastructure Project - Contract 3 in an amount not to exceed \$63,750.00. The Facilities Review Board has reviewed the proposal and recommends the approval of this resolution.
8. Resolution No. 23-032 authorizing contract modification 1 & 2 with Rapid Pump & Meter Service Co., Paterson, New Jersey for the Adams Street WWTP

Preliminary Facilities Bar Screen Upgrades Project in an amount not to exceed \$13,865.00. The Facilities Review Board has reviewed the contract modification and recommends the approval of this resolution.

9. Resolution No. 23-033 authorizing sewer connection application #21120202; Hudson Yards West, LLC, 3309 Hudson Avenue / 3308 Palisade Avenue, Union City, New Jersey.
10. Resolution No. 23-034 approving the Authority Budget for the fiscal year beginning February 1, 2023 and ending January 31, 2024.
11. Resolution No. 23-035 authorizing the award of the H6/H7 CSO Long Term Control Plan Project - Phase 2 to Rencor, Somerville, New Jersey, which submitted the lowest responsible bid in the amount of \$14,284,960.00. The Facilities Review Board has reviewed the bids and recommends the approval of this resolution.

On motion of Commissioner Assadourian, seconded by Commissioner Velazquez, the consent agenda was adopted 7 - 0 - 0.

At approximately 6:48 PM, Commissioner Velazquez excused himself from the meeting; 6 Commissioners were present.

REPORTS OF STAFF AND CONSULTANTS

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

CH2M

Shivani Patel, P.E. of CH2M reported on the following: 1) Combined Sewer Overflow Projects: Program Manager for Development of the CSO LTCP; H6/H7 CSO LTCP Project - Phase 1; H6/H7 CSO LTCP Project - Phase 2; Sterling Avenue Drainage Improvements; and Boulevard East Combined Sewer Improvements.

Mott MacDonald

Kevin P. Wynn, P.E. of Mott MacDonald reported on the following: Adams Street Wastewater Treatment Plant Improvements; Bergenline Avenue and 29th Street Gas Main Relocation; West New York Leak Detection Program; 47th Street Sewer Replacement; Green Infrastructure, Contract 3; Adams Street Outfall Casing; and Madison Street Improvements.

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; and H6/H7 CSO LTCP Phase 2 - Engineering Services During Construction.

AECOM

Don Walker, P.E. of AECOM reported on following: South Union City Drainage Study - Engineering Services.

Dewberry

Patrick J. Ronan, P.E. of Dewberry reported on following: Park Avenue Siphon Access Chamber Project - Services During Construction; and 11th Avenue Sewer Cleaning & Chambers Project.

Jacobs Operation & Maintenance

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

Adams Street WWTP: The daily average flow was 13.51 million gallons per day with 566,300 gallons of sludge removed. The monthly average for fecal coliform was 4 CFU with a 200 CFU permit limit; the maximum weekly average for fecal coliform was 9 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 12 mg/L BOD and 8 mg/L TSS, with a 30 mg/L permit requirement.

River Road WWTP: The daily average flow was 8.91 million gallons per day with 434,000 gallons of sludge removed. The monthly average for fecal coliform was 26 CFU with a 200 CFU permit limit; the maximum weekly average for fecal coliform was 70 CFU with a 400 CFU permit limit. The 30-day average removal was 84% CBOD and 87% TSS, with an 85% permit requirement. The 30-day average effluent concentration as 20 mg/L CBOD and 16 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: 26 received in January; 26 received year to date.

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

NEW BUSINESS

Commissioner Assadourian inquired as to the status of the NHSA's engineering review of a proposed redevelopment project located at 38 Jackson Street, Hoboken, New Jersey. Engineer Pocci advised that NHSA engineering staff will make a presentation of its concerns about this project to the Executive Director, and thereafter work with the developer towards a resolution of same.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

ADJOURNMENT

At approximately 7:09 PM on motion of Commissioner Assadourian, seconded by Commissioner Gardiner, it was unanimously resolved to adjourn the meeting.