

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING MEETING MINUTES OF AUGUST 17, 2023

MOTIONED BY: Friedrich

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 August 17, 2023; and

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

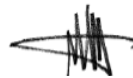
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Authority hereby approves the minutes of the meeting of August 17, 2023 for the record.

DATED: SEPTEMBER 21, 2023

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 ON SEPTEMBER 21, 2023.



SECRETARY

THE NORTH HUDSON SEWERAGE AUTHORITY

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING

August 17, 2023

At approximately 6:31 PM Vice Chairman Marotta 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, Marotta and Zucconi participating via videoconference.

Counsel Capizzi advised that a quorum was reached with 6 Commissioners present.

COVID-19 RELIEF MEASURES FOR RESIDENTIAL CUSTOMERS

Authority Engineer Conger 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 State Low-Income Household Water Assistance Program can help you pay arrears for your water and sewer bills. The program may also be available to help address tax liens due to water and sewer arrears. To get more information and apply for the program, go to waterassistance.nj.gov or call NJ211.

Public Law 2021, c. 317 and Public Law 2022 c. 4 prohibits local governments from charging residential customers interest for late payment of sewer charges which accrued between March 9, 2020 and March 15, 2022. This prohibition does not apply to sewer liens which were sold before January 1, 2022. Interest may be enforced against unpaid charges accrued before March 9, 2020 and after March 15, 2022, but may be waived to the extent required by a utility assistance program.

Residential customers are eligible for an installment plan to pay off their balance which accrued between March 9, 2020 and March 15, 2022. To

maintain the installment plan, a residential customer must make timely payments on all required monthly installments as well as timely payments of all current charges on their bill. If a residential customer fails to pay their arrearages and/or current charges within 30 days after the due date, then the installment plan is void and the NHSA may proceed with enforcement.

For more information on these relief measures we encourage our customers to visit our website at nhudsonsa.com, or to contact one of our customer service representatives at (201) 963-6043.”

REPORTS OF STAFF AND CONSULTANTS

Authority Engineer Conger next requested that the Engineer reports be heard.

CH2M

Shivani Patel, P.E. of CH2M reported on the following: 1) Capital Improvement Projects: 5th Street Pump Station Flood Resilience Upgrade Project; and 2) Combined Sewer Overflow Projects: Program Manager for Development of the CSO LTCP; 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; Port Imperial Pump Station No. 3; and Madison Street Improvements.

At approximately 6:39 PM, Commissioner Marotta joined the meeting via videoconference; 7 Commissioners were present.

BUSINESS TO BE ACTED UPON

Authority Engineer Conger next requested that the Commissioners consider the consent agenda resolutions, which he reviewed as follows:

1. Resolution 23-083 approving the approving the minutes of the regular meeting of the Authority held on July 20, 2023.
2. Resolution No. 23-084 authorizing bill payments in the aggregate amount of \$4,790,367.64, consisting of \$2,195,840.10 from the operating fund; \$2,594,527.54 from the capital fund; \$0.00 in emergency expenditures; and \$0.00 in connection review fees.
3. Resolution No. 23-085 authorizing a miscellaneous repair contract in the amount of \$98,000 for 3 sinkholes in Union City, 2 collapsed catch basins in Union City, 1 open joint in mainline in Union City; 1 collapsed catch basin in

Weehawken; 6 collapsed catch basins in West New York, and 8 severely worn manhole castings in West New York.

4. Resolution No. 23-086 approving bond counsel fees for I-Bank financings.
5. Resolution No. 23-087 determining to undertaking the H6/H7 CSO LTCP Project - Phase III; the estimated costs thereof; and the issuance of bonds and projects notes in an amount not to exceed \$53,500,000 to finance the cost thereof.
6. Resolution No. 23-088 determining to undertaking the Adams Street Outfall Pipe Project; the estimated costs thereof; and the issuance of bonds and projects notes in an amount not to exceed \$20,000,000 to finance the cost thereof.
7. Resolution No. 23-089 authorizing contract modification #03 with J. Fletcher Creamer and Son, Inc., Hackensack, New Jersey for the H6/H7 CSO LTCP Project - Phase I in an amount not to exceed \$107,399.57.
8. Resolution No. 23-090 ratifying and reaffirming an emergency declaration on February 21, 2023.
9. Resolution No. 23-091 ratifying and reaffirming an emergency declaration on October 14, 2022.
10. Resolution No. 23-092 ratifying and reaffirming an emergency declaration on January 5, 2023.
11. Resolution No. 23-093 authorizing contract modification #01 with National Water Main Cleaning Company, Kearny, New Jersey for the Collection System Improvements Project - Contract 1 in an amount not to exceed \$4,709.46. The Facilities Review Board has reviewed the contract modification and recommends the approval of this resolution.
12. Resolution No. 23-094 authorizing contract modification #01 with Colonnelli Brothers, Hackensack, New Jersey for the Green Infrastructure Project - Contract 3 in a credit amount of \$25,497.80. The Facilities Review Board has reviewed the contract modification and recommends the approval of this resolution.
13. Resolution No. 23-095 authorizing contract modification #01 with Jo-Med Contracting Corp., Elizabeth, New Jersey for the 47th Street Combined Sewer Replacement Project in a credit amount of \$21,154.45. The Facilities Review Board has reviewed the contract modification and recommends the approval of this resolution.
14. Resolution No. 23-096 authorizing contract modification 2023-03 with OMI/JACOBS, Denver, Colorado for the Adams Street Plant Operations in an amount not to exceed \$122,440.50. The Facilities Review Board has reviewed the contract modification and recommends the approval of this resolution.

15. Resolution No. 23-097 authorizing contract modification #01 with J. Fletcher Creamer and Son, Inc., Hackensack, New Jersey for the Madison Street Improvements Project - Phase I in a credit amount of \$42,722.74. The Facilities Review Board has reviewed the contract modification and recommends the approval of this resolution.
16. Resolution No. 23-098 ratifying and reaffirming an emergency declaration on June 2, 2023.

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

Note: the meeting was momentarily disrupted with an outside video feed, which was the result of the ZOOM videoconference system getting hacked.

REPORTS OF STAFF AND CONSULTANTS

Authority Engineer Conger next requested that the Engineer reports continue to be heard.

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.

EnTech

George Sholy, P.E. of EnTech reported on following: Green Infrastructure Improvements - Contract 3.

Kleinfelder

Felipe S. Contreras, P.E. of Kleinfelder reported on following: Collection System Improvements Project - Contract 1.

Jacobs Operation & Maintenance

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

Adams Street WWTP: The daily average flow was 11.93 million gallons per day with 539,000 gallons of sludge removed. The monthly average for fecal coliform was 5 CFU with a 200 CFU permit limit; the maximum weekly average for fecal coliform was 15 CFU with a 400 CFU permit limit. The 30-day average percent removal was 93% BOD and 96% TSS, with an 85% permit requirement. The 30-day average effluent concentration was 11 mg/L BOD and 7 mg/L TSS, with a 30 mg/L permit requirement.

River Road WWTP: The daily average flow was 8.45 million gallons per day with 338,100 gallons of sludge removed. The monthly average for fecal coliform was 7 CFU with a 200 CFU permit limit; the maximum weekly average for fecal coliform was 26 CFU with a 400 CFU permit limit. The 30-day average removal was 89% CBOD and 91% TSS, with an 85% permit requirement. The 30-day average effluent concentration was 18 mg/L CBOD and 21 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: 12 received in July; 112 received year to date.

NEW BUSINESS

None.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

ADJOURNMENT

At approximately 7:14 PM on motion of Commissioner Assadourian, seconded by Commissioner Friedrich, it was unanimously resolved to adjourn the meeting.