

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING MEETING MINUTES OF NOVEMBER 16, 2023

MOTIONED BY: Velazquez**SECONDED BY:** Gardiner

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 November 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.

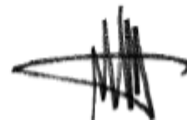
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Authority hereby approves the minutes of the meeting of November 16, 2023 for the record.

DATED: DECEMBER 14, 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 DECEMBER 14, 2023.



SECRETARY

THE NORTH HUDSON SEWERAGE AUTHORITY

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING

November 16, 2023

At approximately 6:32 PM Authority Engineer Conger 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 Friedrich, Gardiner, Guzman, 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.

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.”

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 23-126 approving the approving the minutes of the regular meeting of the Authority held on October 19, 2023.
2. Resolution No. 23-127 authorizing bill payments in the aggregate amount of \$2,819,667.32, consisting of \$2,176,519.75 from the operating fund; \$634,799.43 from the capital fund; \$0.00 in emergency expenditures; and \$8,447.14 in connection review fees.
3. Resolution No. 23-128 authorizing a miscellaneous repair contract in the amount of \$85,250 for 1 severely worn manhole casting in Hoboken, 1 collapsed catch basin in Hoboken, 3 severely worn manhole casting in Union City, 1 collapsed catch basin in Union City, 10 severely worn manhole castings in West New York, 4 collapsed catch basin in West New York, and 1 collapsed main line in West New York.
4. Resolution No. 23-129 determining to undertaking the LTCP River Road Wastewater Treatment Plant Upgrades 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.
5. Resolution No. 23-130 authorizing budget modification #03 with Hazen and Sawyer, Iselin, New Jersey for the H6/H7 CSO LTCP Project in an amount not to exceed \$82,113.46. The Facilities Review Board has reviewed the contract modification and recommends the approval of this resolution.
6. Resolution No. 23-131 authorizing participation under the State Health Benefits Program - Employee Dental Plans.
7. Resolution No. 23-132 directing work to Kleinfelder, Princeton, New Jersey, to provide Professional Engineering Services During Construction for the LTCP River Road Wastewater Treatment Plant Upgrades Project in an amount not to exceed \$393,820. The Facilities Review Board has reviewed the proposal and recommends the approval of this resolution.

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

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 Resiliency Upgrade Project; and 2) Combined Sewer Overflow Projects: Program Manager for Development of the CSO LTCP; Boulevard East Combined Sewer Improvements; and H6/H7 Stormwater Pump Station.

Mott MacDonald

Karen J. Kravazy, 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; Port Imperial Pump Station No. 3; 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; H6/H7 CSO LTCP Phase 2 - Engineering Services During Construction; and Grand Street Interceptor and Pump Station Feasibility Study.

AECOM

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

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 13.22 million gallons per day with 475,300 gallons of sludge removed. The maximum weekly average for fecal coliform was 72 CFU with a 400 CFU permit limit; the monthly average for fecal coliform was 8 CFU with a 200 CFU permit limit. The 30-day average percent removal was 92% BOD and 95% TSS, with an 85% permit requirement. The 30-day average effluent concentration was 11 mg/L BOD and 6 mg/L TSS, with a 30 mg/L permit requirement.

River Road WWTP: The daily average flow was 8.39 million gallons per day with 322,700 gallons of sludge removed. The maximum weekly average for fecal coliform was 69 CFU with a 400 CFU permit limit; the monthly average for fecal coliform was 15 CFU with a 200 CFU permit limit. The 30-day average removal was 86% CBOD and 88% TSS, with an 85% permit requirement. The 30-day average effluent concentration was 23 mg/L CBOD and 19 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: 15 received in October; 188 received year to date.

NEW BUSINESS

None.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

ADJOURNMENT

At approximately 6:53 PM on motion of Commissioner Guzman, seconded by Commissioner Friedrich, it was unanimously resolved to adjourn the meeting.