Meeting Minutes of November 10th, 2021

A telephone/zoom conference meeting of the Joint Meeting of Essex and Union Counties was held on the above date. In the absent of Chairperson DeAugustine, Vice Chairperson/Secretary Ms. Burgess was in the chair.

The Executive Director read the following statement:

Pursuant to Section #5, Chapter 231, P.L. 1975, notice of this meeting has been provided to the public by posting and maintaining the annual notice of the regular meetings of the Joint Meeting on the bulletin board of the Maplewood Municipal Building, by mailing the annual notice of the regular meetings for 2021 to the Star Ledger, The Home News Tribune and to the offices of the Municipal Clerks of the 11 member municipalities of the Joint Meeting and to the City Clerk of the City of Elizabeth and to the County Clerks of the Counties of Essex and Union all on December 28th, 2020 and provided special notice of the virtual meeting to the Star Ledger, The Home News Tribune and the offices of the Municipal Clerks of the 11 member municipalities of the Joint Meeting and to the City Clerk of the City of Elizabeth and to the County Clerks of the Counties of Essex and Union as published on November 3rd, 2021.

On roll call the following board members were present: Messrs. DeLuca, Florio, Petrosky, Haskins, Wasserman, Rutherford (joined at 4:17pm) and Ramos; Ms. Fox and Ms. Burgess. Absent: Ms. Holman and Mr. DeAugustine.

Also, in attendance were Director Johnson, Ms. DeFrancis; Messrs. Dowhan, Gonzalez, Phillips and Berkeley Esq. of the Joint Meeting; E. Webster and J. Noble, Esq. of Inglesino, Webster, Wyciskala & Taylor, LLC; R. Rivera, Esq. of Scarinci Hollenbeck; H. Johnsen, J. Bonaccorso and N. Towers of CME Associates; R. LaMendola of AVA Consulting LLC.; Julie Needham of NW Financial.

On motion by Mr. Florio, seconded by Mr. DeLuca, the minutes of the last meeting were adopted. On motion all in favor, nays, none.

On motion by Mr. Wasserman, seconded by Ms. Fox, the Treasurer's Report having been mailed to the Board members was received and ordered printed. On motion all in favor, nays, none.

The following verbal report was given:

Personnel & Procurement Committee: Chair Mr. Ramos, stated that the Committee met, discussed and recommends authorization of the following: Resolution Authorizations for Approving the Qualifications of Various Professional Services (R-113/21), Resolution Authorization Awarding a Contract for Furnishing and Delivering Proprietary Anvic Parts for Main Sewage Pumps 1 & 3 (R-115/21), Resolution Authorizing a Purchase Order for Furnishing and Delivering Traveling Bridge Arms (R-116/21), Resolution Authorizing Execution of the First Amendment to Right of Access Agreement – Borne Chemical Company Site Participation Group Members (R-117/21), Resolution Authorizing an Emergency Purchase Order for Substation # 1 Main Breaker Repairs (R-118/21), Resolution Authorization Amending Contract

for Furnishing and Delivering Bulk Dry Polymer (R-119/21).

On motion by Mr. Ramos, seconded by Ms. Fox, Resolution (R-113/21) Approving the Qualifications of Various Professional Services and Extraordinary Unspecifiable Service Firms was adopted. On roll call: ayes, Messrs. DeLuca, Florio, Haskins, Ramos, Petrosky and Wasserman; Ms. Fox, Ms. Burgess; nays, none.

On motion by Mr. Wasserman, seconded by Mr. Petrosky, Resolution (R-115/21) Awarding a Contract to Ineltech Corporation for Furnishing and Delivering Proprietary Anvic Parts for Main Sewage Pumps 1 & 3 was adopted. On roll call: ayes, Messrs. DeLuca, Florio, Haskins, Ramos, Petrosky and Wasserman; Ms. Fox, Ms. Burgess; nays, none.

On motion by Ms. Burgess, seconded by Mr. DeLuca, Resolution (R-116/21) Authorizing a Purchase Order to Mike's Mobile Maintenance, LLC for Furnishing and Delivering Traveling Bridge Arms was adopted. On roll call: ayes, Messrs. DeLuca, Florio, Haskins, Ramos, Petrosky and Wasserman; Ms. Fox, Ms. Burgess; nays, none.

On motion by Mr. Florio, seconded by Mr. Wasserman, Resolution (R-117/21) Authorizing Execution of First Amendment to Right of Access Agreement with Borne Chemical Company Site Participating Group Members was adopted. On roll call: ayes, Messrs. DeLuca, Florio, Haskins, Ramos, Petrosky and Wasserman; Ms. Fox, Ms. Burgess; nays, none.

On motion by Mr. DeLuca, seconded by Mr. Petrosky, Resolution (R-118/21) Authorizing an Emergency Purchase Order to the Bender-Chiswick Group, LLC for Substation # 1 Main Breaker Repairs was adopted. On roll call: ayes, Messrs. DeLuca, Florio, Haskins, Ramos, Petrosky and Wasserman; Ms. Fox, Ms. Burgess; nays, none.

On motion by Mr. Ramos, seconded by Ms. Fox, Resolution (R-119/21) Amending Contract with Polydyne, Inc. for Furnishing and Delivering Bulk Dry Polymer was adopted. On roll call: ayes, Messrs. DeLuca, Florio, Haskins, Ramos, Petrosky, Rutherford and Wasserman; Ms. Fox, Ms. Burgess; nays, none.

On motion by Ms. Fox, seconded by Mr. Petrosky, Resolution (R-114/21) Approving the 2022 Budget with amending not to receive an increase in compensation for Board Members for the year 2022 was adopted. On roll call: ayes, Messrs. DeLuca, Florio, Haskins, Ramos, Petrosky, Rutherford and Wasserman; Ms. Fox, Ms. Burgess; nays, none.

Mr. Bonaccorso expressed that he will change the verbiage on the breakdown spreadsheet for Item #27 (Executive Committee) to reflect that the Board voted not to receive an increase in their compensation for 2022.

On motion by Mr. DeLuca, seconded by Mr. Haskins, the Treatment Plant Report, Industrial Pretreatment Report and Financial Report having been mailed to the Board members were received and ordered printed. On motion all in favor, nays, none.

On motion by Mr. Wasserman, seconded by Mr. DeLuca, the General Counsel Report, (Inglesino, Webster, Wyciskala & Taylor, LLC), the Labor and Employment Counsel Report (Scarinci Hollenbeck, LLC), the Special Conflict and Pretreatment Violations Counsel Report(s) (Hamlin & Ridley, and Antonelli Kantor, P.C. No Report), the Engineering Report, and the CSO Report having been mailed to the Board members were received and ordered printed. On motion all in favor, nay, none.

There was no correspondence.

The Acting Chairperson asked if there was anyone wishing to address the Board on any Joint Meeting matter with a five minute limit. On motion to open public comments by Mr. DeLuca, seconded by Mr. Florio. Hearing no one, the Public Session was declared closed. On motion to close public comment by Ms. Burgess, seconded by Mr. Florio. On motion all in favor, nays, none

There was no closed session.

On motion by Mr. Florio, seconded by Mr. DeLuca, Resolution (R-112/21) Payment of Bills was adopted. On roll call: ayes, Messrs. DeLuca, Florio, Haskins, Ramos, Petrosky, Rutherford and Wasserman; Ms. Fox, Ms. Burgess; nays, none.

On motion by Mr. DeLuca, seconded by Ms. Fox, Resolution (R-120/21) Approving an Employment Agreement for the Executive Director was adopted. On roll call: ayes, Messrs. DeLuca, Florio, Haskins, Ramos, Petrosky, Rutherford and Wasserman; Ms. Fox, Ms. Burgess; nays, none.

On motion by Mr. DeLuca, seconded by Mr. Petrosky, Walk-on Resolution (R-121/21) Authorizing Execution of Agreement with ADP for Payroll and Time and Attendance Services was adopted. On roll call: ayes, Messrs. DeLuca, Florio, Haskins, Ramos, Petrosky, Rutherford and Wasserman; Ms. Fox, Ms. Burgess; nays, none.

There was no unfinished business.

There was no new business.

There being no further business, on motion by Mr. Wasserman, seconded by Ms. Fox, the meeting then adjourned at 4:37pm to meet again on December 16th, 2021 unless called earlier by the Chair. On motion all in favor, nays, none.

Respectfully submitted,

Renee C. Burgess
Secretary