

## Board Meeting of March 21<sup>st</sup>, 2024

A telephone/zoom conference meeting of the Joint Meeting of Essex and Union Counties was held on the above date. Chairperson Florio 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 2024 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 January 4th, 2024.

On roll call the following board members were present: Messrs. Leneus, Rutherford, Petrosky, Vartan, Rios, Florio and Ramos (joined @ 4:10 pm); Ms. Romano, Ms. Frederic, Ms. Adams, and Ms. Collum.

Also, in attendance were Director Johnson; Messrs. Bonaccorso, Phillips, Akinokun, Volpe, Barry, Kelly, Kairu and Berkeley Esq., of the Joint Meeting; J. Noble, Esq. of Connell Foley LLP; R. Rivera Esq., and J. Burke Esq. of Antonelli Kantor Rivera; H. Johnsen, N. Towers and J. Bonaccorso of CME Associates; R. LaMendola of AVA Consulting; Julie Needham of Echo Valley Advisors, LLC, and David Leun of CDM Smith.

On motion by Ms. Frederic, seconded by Mr. Petrosky, the minutes of the last meeting were adopted. On motion all in favor, nays, none.

On motion by Ms. Romano, seconded by Ms. Adams, the Treasurer's report was adopted. On motion all in favor, nays, none.

The following verbal report was given:

Personnel & Procurement Committee: In the absence of Chair Ramos, Chairman Florio stated that the Committee met, discussed, and recommends authorization of the following: Resolution Authorization to Award Acting Director of Finance and Administration- Kelly & Kairu (R-033/24), Resolution Authorization to Bid Various Services, Equipment & Materials – Design, Supply & Install (3) Fiberglass Staircases (R-034/24), Resolution Authorization to Bid Various Services, Equipment & Materials – Design, Supply & Install (2) Fiberglass Platforms (R-035/24), Resolution Authorization to Bid Various Services, Equipment & Materials – Design, Supply & Install (4) Fiberglass Platforms for HV Units (R-036/24), Resolution Authorization to Bid Various Services, Equipment & Materials – Repairs to (2) Philadelphia Gearboxes (R-037/24), Resolution Authorization to Award Furnishing & Installing Replacement of N482 Main 26.4 KV Disconnect Switches (R-038/24), Resolution Authorization to Award Furnishing & Installing Replacement of (6) 35 KV Current Transformers (R-039/24), Resolution

Authorization to Award Providing Internet and Integrated Voice and Data Services (R-040/24), Resolution Authorization to Award Furnishing & Delivering Gravity Belt Spare Parts (R-041/24), Resolution Authorization to Award a Purchase Order Providing Aerator Oil Pump Upgrade Kits (R-042/24).

On motion by Ms. Frederic, seconded by Ms. Romano, Resolution (R-33/24) Awarding Contract to Kelly and Kairu to serve as Acting Director of Finance and Administration was adopted. On Roll call: ayes, Messrs. Ramos, Leneus, Rutherford, Petrosky, Vartan, Rios and Florio; Ms. Romano, Ms. Frederic, Ms. Collum and Ms. Adams; nays, none.

A Consent agenda was requested by Chairman Florio to be voted as a group for the following Resolutions: Resolution (R-034/24) Authorization to Bid Various Services, Equipment & Materials - Design, Supply & Install (3) Fiberglass Staircases, Resolution (R-035/24) Authorization to Bid Various Services, Equipment & Materials - Design, Supply & Install (2) Fiberglass Platforms, Resolution (R-036/24) Authorization to Bid Various Services, Equipment & Materials - Design, Supply & Install (4) Fiberglass Platforms for HV Units and Resolution (R-037/24) Authorization to Bid Various Services, Equipment & Materials - Repairs to (2) Philadelphia Gearboxes. On motion by Mr. Ramos, seconded by Ms. Adams, Resolutions (R-034/24), (R-035/24), (R-036/24) and (R-037/24) were adopted. On Roll call: ayes, Messrs. Ramos, Leneus, Rutherford, Petrosky, Vartan, Rios and Florio; Ms. Romano, Ms. Frederic, Ms. Collum and Ms. Adams; nays, none.

On motion by Ms. Romano, seconded by Mr. Ramos, Resolution (R-038/24) Awarding Contract to M & L Power Systems, Inc. for Furnishing & Installing Replacement of N482 Main 26.4 KV Disconnect Switches was adopted. On Roll call: ayes, Messrs. Ramos, Leneus, Rutherford, Petrosky, Vartan, Rios and Florio; Ms. Romano, Ms. Frederic, Ms. Collum and Ms. Adams; nays, none.

On motion Mr. Ramos, seconded by Ms. Romano, Resolution (R-039/24) Awarding Contract to MP Predictive Technologies Inc. for Furnishing and Installing Replacement of (6) 35 KV Current Transformers was adopted. On Roll call: ayes, Messrs. Ramos, Leneus, Rutherford, Petrosky, Vartan, Rios and Florio; Ms. Romano, Ms. Frederic, Ms. Collum and Ms. Adams; nays, none.

On motion by Ms. Romano, seconded by Mr. Ramos, Resolution (R-040/24) Awarding Contract to Monmouth Telecom for Internet and Integrated Voice and Data Services was adopted. On Roll call: ayes, Messrs. Ramos, Leneus, Rutherford, Petrosky, Vartan, Rios and Florio; Ms. Romano, Ms. Frederic, Ms. Collum and Ms. Adams; nays, none.

On motion by Mr. Rios, seconded by Ms. Romano, Resolution (R-041/24) Authorizing Contract to Komline-Sanderson Corporation for Furnishing and Delivering Gravity Belt Spare Parts was adopted. On Roll call: ayes, Messrs. Ramos, Leneus, Rutherford, Petrosky, Vartan, Rios and Florio; Ms. Romano, Ms. Frederic, Ms. Collum and Ms. Adams; nays, none.

On motion by Mr. Rutherford, seconded by Ms. Romano & Mr. Ramos, Resolution (R-042/24) Authorizing a Purchase Order to Process Equipment Sales and Service Inc. for Providing Aerator Oil Pump Upgrade Kits was adopted. On Roll call: ayes, Messrs. Ramos, Leneus, Rutherford, Petrosky, Vartan, Rios and Florio; Ms. Romano, Ms. Frederic, Ms. Collum and Ms. Adams; nays, none.

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

On motion by Ms. Romano, seconded by Mr. Ramos, the General Counsel Report, (Connell Foley, LLP), the Labor and Employment Counsel Report (Antonelli Kantor Rivera), the Special Conflict and Pretreatment Violations Counsel Report(s) (Antonelli Kantor Rivera), the Engineering Report (CME Associates), and the CSO Report (CDM Smith) having been mailed to the Board members were received and ordered printed. On motion all in favor, nays, none.

There was correspondence in the form of a Board Member Appointment Resolution from Hillside.

The 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. Ramos, seconded by Ms. Frederic, the public comment portion of the meeting was opened. Hearing no one, the Public Comment Session was declared closed. On motion to close public comment by Mr. Ramos, seconded by Ms. Frederic & Mr. Rutherford. On motion all in favor, nays, none.

There was no closed session.

On motion by Mr. Ramos, seconded by Ms. Frederic, Resolution (R-031/24) Payment of Bills was adopted. On Roll call: ayes, Messrs. Ramos, Leneus, Rutherford, Petrosky, Vartan, Rios and Florio; Ms. Romano, Ms. Frederic, Ms. Collum and Ms. Adams; nays, none.

On motion by Ms. Romano, seconded by Ms. Frederic, Resolution (R-032/24) 2024 Second Quarter Assessment was adopted. On Roll call: ayes, Messrs. Ramos, Leneus, Rutherford, Petrosky, Vartan, Rios and Florio; Ms. Romano, Ms. Frederic, Ms. Collum and Ms. Adams; nays, none.

There was no unfinished business.

Under new business, the next meeting date will be on April 18, 2024

There being no further business, on motion by, Ms. Romano, seconded by Ms. Vartan, the meeting then adjourned at 4:30 pm to meet again on April 18, 2024, unless called earlier by the Chair. On motion all in favor, nays, none.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'ARJ', with a long vertical stroke extending downwards from the right side.

Secretary  
Anibal Ramos Jr.