

**TWO RIVERS WATER RECLAMATION AUTHORITY
ONE HIGHLAND AVENUE
MONMOUTH BEACH, NEW JERSEY 07750**

The Regular Meeting of the Two Rivers Water Reclamation Authority was held on **Tuesday, March 16, 2021** at 6:00 PM, by using Microsoft Teams considering the circumstances surrounding COVID-19.

Mr. Barry J. Berdahl, Ph.D., Chairman – Presided:

Via Teams Meeting:	Mr. Barry J. Berdahl, Ph.D., Chairman Mr. Scott Hartman, Secretary Mr. Jonathan Peters, Asst. Secretary (arrived 6:05pm) Mr. Michael MacStudy, Treasurer Mr. Richard Tocci, Asst. Treasurer Mr. John Bonforte Mr. Eric Jaeger Mr. Jason Sena
Via phone:	Mr. Greg Christopher
Absent:	Mr. Thomas (Burt) Barham, Vice Chairman Mr. Brian McPeak Mr. James F. Mazza
Present in Board Room:	Mr. Gregory JnoBaptiste, Network and Instrumentation Coordinator
Via phone or Teams:	Mr. Michael A. Gianforte, Executive Director Mr. Dennis Galvin, Authority Engineer Mr. Johnny Rodriguez, Financial Manager Mr. David Laughlin, Esq., Birdsall & Laughlin Mr. John Vena, PS&S Ms. Anne Wallington, Executive Assistant

NOTICE OF REGULAR MEETING

Statement is hereby made that adequate Notice of Meetings has been provided by publishing the same in the **Asbury Park Press on Wednesday, December 23, 2020**, and **The Newspaper Media Group on Wednesday, December 30, 2020** and mailing the same on Wednesday, December 30, 2020 to the Clerks of the participant municipalities of the Boroughs of Fair Haven, Little Silver, Monmouth Beach, Oceanport, Shrewsbury and West Long Branch, and all customer communities whose geographic boundaries are co-extensive with those of this Authority, and by prominently posting said Notice in the entry way of the Authority's office building on Wednesday, December 23, 2020.

CHAIRMAN RULES OF QUORUM

Mr. Berdahl declared that a quorum was present. All present saluted the American Flag.

OPENING STATEMENT TO THE CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD

Mr. Gianforte addressed the Chairman of the Board: In addition to Published notice, access to the meeting via computer and telephone was prominently displayed to the public by posting it on the front door of the office, as well as the front entrance gate, and on the first page of the TRWRA website.

**APPROVAL OF THE REGULAR MONTHLY
MEETING MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 16, 2021**

Mr. Berdahl moved that the minutes from the regular monthly meeting held on February 16, 2021 be approved. The motion was seconded by Mr. MacStudy.

Ayes: Mr. Barry J. Berdahl, Ph.D., Chairman
Mr. Scott Hartman, Secretary
Mr. Jonathan Peters Asst. Secretary
Mr. Michael MacStudy, Treasurer
Mr. Richard Tocci, Asst. Treasurer
Mr. John Bonforte
Mr. Greg Christopher
Mr. Jason Sena

Absent: Mr. Thomas (Burt) Barham, Vice Chairman
Mr. James F. Mazza
Mr. Brian McPeak

CORRESPONDENCE

Mr. Gianforte had nothing to add.

PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA

The meeting was opened to the public for comment. No public was present.

**FINANCE AND INSURANCE
RESOLUTION NO. 2021-03-28
AUTHORIZING PAYMENT OF BILLS**

Mr. MacStudy moved Resolution No. 2021-03-28 for adoption. The motion was seconded by Mr. Christopher and carried by the following vote on call:

Ayes: Mr. Barry J. Berdahl, Ph.D., Chairman
Mr. Scott Hartman, Secretary
Mr. Jonathan Peters Asst. Secretary
Mr. Michael MacStudy, Treasurer
Mr. Richard Tocci, Asst. Treasurer
Mr. John Bonforte
Mr. Greg Christopher
Mr. Jason Sena

Absent: Mr. Thomas (Burt) Barham, Vice Chairman
Mr. James F. Mazza
Mr. Brian McPeak

Mr. Gianforte asked the Chairman if Resolution No: 2021-03-29, Resolution Authorizing the Executive Director to Advertise for Connection Fee Hearing be moved to the Consent Agenda. The Chairman asked if there were any objections, there were none.

Mr. MacStudy asked Mr. Rodriguez if he had any updates on the Audit. Mr. Rodriguez responded that he has fulfilled the list of requirements requested by the Auditors and that a team of Auditors will resume audit work the final week of April.

LEGAL AFFAIRS

Mr. Sena mentioned that there was a hearing relating to the lawsuit on the Bid for Contract 169A, and we can expect to hear from the Judge as to the decision shortly.

Mr. Sena said that we must acquire several easements and Resolution No: 2021-03-30 addresses ways to secure those easements. If negotiations are unsuccessful, it authorizes the Authority to proceed with the court.

RESOLUTION NO: 2021-03-30 **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ACQUISITION OF SUCH EASEMENTS AS ARE NECESSARY FOR THE PLEASURE BAY CROSSING AND THE MAIN PUMP STATION**

Mr. Jaeger moved Resolution No. **2021-03-30** for adoption. The motion was seconded by Mr. MacStudy and carried by the following vote on call:

Ayes: Mr. Barry J. Berdahl, Ph.D., Chairman
Mr. Scott Hartman, Secretary
Mr. Jonathan Peters Asst. Secretary
Mr. Michael MacStudy, Treasurer
Mr. Richard Tocci, Asst. Treasurer
Mr. John Bonforte
Mr. Jason Sena

Abstain: Mr. Greg Christopher

Absent: Mr. Thomas (Burt) Barham, Vice Chairman
Mr. James F. Mazza
Mr. Brian McPeak

ENGINEERING

Mr. Gaivin reported on the conditional award based on the IBank approval for Contract 169A Rehabilitation and Cleaning of Major Interceptors. The contract came in at \$2.5 Million and is included in the funding from the IBank for Station 12 project. There is also a resolution on the agenda for a Treatment Works Approval for Fort Monmouth Interceptor Forcemain and Pump Station. FMERA has indicated that they are preparing to close on the development project that will fund and flow to the proposed Pump Station, and the entire project is to be paid for entirely by FMERA.

RESOLUTION NO: 2021-03-31 **RESOLUTION AWARDDING CONTRACT 169A REHABILITATION AND CLEANING OF MAJOR INTERCEPTORS**

Mr. Christopher moved Resolution No. **2021-03-31** for adoption. The motion was seconded by Mr. Tocci and carried by the following vote on call:

Ayes: Mr. Barry J. Berdahl, Ph.D., Chairman
Mr. Scott Hartman, Secretary
Mr. Jonathan Peters Asst. Secretary
Mr. Michael MacStudy, Treasurer
Mr. Richard Tocci, Asst. Treasurer
Mr. John Bonforte
Mr. Greg Christopher
Mr. Jason Sena

Absent: Mr. Thomas (Burt) Barham, Vice Chairman
Mr. James F. Mazza
Mr. Brian McPeak

PERSONNEL

Mr. Bonforte had nothing to report.

Mr. Christopher mentioned that we do not have 2 men on every shift 7 days a week. We have some shifts where only one man is in the Plant, and he thinks that is unsafe and therefore, we must absolutely get 2 men on every shift 7 days a week.

Mr. Gianforte replied he must go on record because a statement was made that we have unsafe conditions. Mr. Gianforte stated emphatically that there are no known unsafe conditions. Management has worked very closely with the Union to provide a safe work environment and there are no outstanding concerns raised by the Union. In addition, the Union requested "one man on a shift during COVID" and there were no safety concerns raised. Management has also implemented additional safety measures including but not limited to, an emergency call device for every man, regular safety meetings etc. The safety committee is the proper forum for employee safety concerns and there are none outstanding at the present time.

Mr. Bonforte stated that if there is an issue with an employee, specifically a safety issue, it should come through the Personnel Committee. A Commissioner should not take it upon himself to talk directly to an employee regarding any issues pertaining to safety, work related, etc. Mr. Bonforte suggested to Mr. Christopher to put his concerns in writing as to what he believes to be unsafe and his basis for making such reasoning.

The Chairman also commented that any Commissioner speaking to employees is not only improper but illegal.

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE

Mr. Hartman informed the Commissioners that we reached a point with the project where we are waiting to hear from FEMA on BRIC.

RESOLUTION NO: 2021-03-32

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO RATIFY A WORK ORDER TO PAULUS, SOKOLOWSKI & SARTOR TO PREPARE A LEVEL II ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW

Mr. Hartman moved Resolution No. **2021-03-32** for adoption. The motion was seconded by Mr. Tocci and carried by the following vote on call:

Ayes:

Mr. Barry J. Berdahl, Ph.D., Chairman
Mr. Scott Hartman, Secretary
Mr. Jonathan Peters Asst. Secretary
Mr. Michael MacStudy, Treasurer
Mr. Richard Tocci, Asst. Treasurer
Mr. John Bonforte
Mr. Greg Christopher
Mr. Jason Sena

Absent:

Mr. Thomas (Burt) Barham, Vice Chairman
Mr. James F. Mazza
Mr. Brian McPeak

CYBER COMMITTEE

Mr. Peter's had nothing to report and asked Mr. Gianforte to give an update on the Microsoft issue which was discussed at the Homeland Security meeting. Mr. Gianforte reported that Gregory JnoBaptiste confirmed that the Microsoft crisis does not affect us as we have all the PATCHES in place, and we are on the Cloud for Microsoft email.

OUTREACH COMMITTEE

Mr. Barham was absent from the meeting. Mr. Gianforte attended the Sands Point Board meeting and as a result the Easements are in Sands Point attorney review.

Mr. Gianforte explained that Resolution No: **2021-03-38** GRANTING AUTHORIZATION TO SIGN A TREATMENT WORKS APPROVAL TO FORT MONMOUTH LODGING TRACT, BLOCK 110, PORTION OF LOT 1; IN THE BOROUGH OF OCEANPORT is for the Somerset Property. When they close on the *Somerset Property* after they get the TWA, \$5.2m will be set aside for the new Pump Station, East Interceptor and Forcemain and in addition the 180 units are anticipated to pay a connection fee of approximately \$1,000,000.00.

CONSENT AGENDA: (For Resolutions 2021-03-29, 2021-03-33 THROUGH 2021-03-38) The following Resolutions are routine and will be considered together, by Roll Call Vote, without discussion. If any Commissioner wishes to have any "discussion" on any of these routine matters, please identify any such Resolution and it will be removed from the Consent Agenda and addressed immediately thereafter.

- RES NO: 2021-03-29** RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO ADVERTISE FOR CONNECTION FEE HEARING
- RES NO: 2021-03-33** RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO EXECUTE AN INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT WITH THE BOROUGH OF BRADLEY BEACH FOR THE PURCHASE OF A 2013 GODWIN 10-INCH PORTABLE PUMP
- RES NO: 2021-03-34** RESOLUTION GRANTING AUTHORIZATION TO SUBMIT A TREATMENT WORKS APPROVAL APPLICATION FOR THE EAST INTERCEPTOR PUMP STATION ON FORT MONMOUTH IN THE BOROUGH OF OCEANPORT
- RES NO: 2021-03-35** RESOLUTION RATIFYING TRAINING AND CONFERENCE REQUESTS
- RES NO: 2021-03-36** RESOLUTION OF INDUSTRIAL WASTEWATER DISCHARGE PERMIT FOR MEDTRONIC, INC., FOR PROPERTY KNOWN AS 201 INDUSTRIAL WAY; IN THE BOROUGH OF EATONTOWN
- RES NO: 2021-03-37** RESOLUTION AWARDED ANNUAL LAWN MAINTENANCE FOR TREATMENT PLANT AND OUTLYING SITES
- RES NO: 2021-03-38** RESOLUTION GRANTING AUTHORIZATION TO SIGN A TREATMENT WORKS APPROVAL TO FORT MONMOUTH LODGING TRACT, BLOCK 110, PORTION OF LOT 1; IN THE BOROUGH OF OCEANPORT

Mr. Tocci moved Resolution No. **2021-03-29, 2021-03-33 THROUGH 2021-03-38** for adoption. The motion was seconded by Mr. Sena and carried by the following vote on call:

Ayes:

Mr. Barry J. Berdahi, Ph.D., Chairman
Mr. Scott Hartman, Secretary
Mr. Jonathan Peters Asst. Secretary
Mr. Michael MacStudy, Treasurer
Mr. Richard Tocci, Asst. Treasurer
Mr. John Bonforte
Mr. Greg Christopher
Mr. Jason Sena

Absent:

Mr. Thomas (Burt) Barham, Vice Chairman
Mr. James F. Mazza
Mr. Brian McPeak

OLD BUSINESS

Mr. Christopher asked about the purchasing of a trailer to put the hoses and pumps and wanted to know how it was going.

Mr. Gianforte replied that we Budgeted to buy a trailer and staff is scoping the purchase.

NEW BUSINESS

There was no new business to report.

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

Mr. MacStudy moved that the meeting adjourn at approximately 6:35 p.m. The motion was seconded by Mr. Christopher and carried by voice vote.

Mr. Berdahl stated that final copies of approved Resolutions will be available in the main office during the Authority's regular hours of business.

Respectfully submitted,



Mr. Scott Hartman, Secretary

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