

# *Two Rivers Water Reclamation Authority*

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## **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 in person on **Tuesday, September 19, 2023, at 6:00 pm**, and using Microsoft Teams.

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

**Present:** Mr. Barry J. Berdahl, Ph.D., Chairman  
Mr. Thomas "Burt" Barham, Vice Chairman  
Mr. Scott Hartman, Secretary  
Mr. Michael MacStudy, Treasurer  
Mr. Richard Tocci, Asst. Treasurer (remote)  
Mr. Greg Christopher (remote)  
Ms. Jeanette Hoffman (remote)  
Mr. Eric Jaeger (remote)  
Mr. Brian McPeak (remote)

**Absent:** Mr. John Bonforte  
Mr. James Mazza  
Mr. Jonathan Peters, Asst. Secretary

**Others present:** Mr. Michael A. Gianforte, Executive Director  
Mr. Dennis Galvin, Capital Projects Coordinator  
Mr. Brian Rischman, Authority Engineer  
Mr. Johnny Rodriguez, Financial Manager  
Ms. Anne Wallington, Asst to the Executive Director (remote)  
Mr. Gregory JnoBaptiste, Network and Instrument Coordinator  
Mr. David Laughlin, Esq., Birdsall & Laughlin  
Mr. John Vena, PS&S

### **NOTICE OF REGULAR MEETING**

Statement is hereby made that adequate Notice of Meeting has been provided by publishing the same in the **Asbury Park Press on December 24, 2022**, and emailing the same on **Tuesday, December 27th, 2022**, 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 21, 2022**.

### **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 the 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, and on the first page of the TRWRA website.

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Mr. Gianforte pointed out two typographical errors in the **Minutes**, the first being where Mr. Barham moved the **Minutes** and also second approved the **Minutes**, when in fact the 2nd approver was Mr. Peters. Secondly, there was an error on the absenteeism of the Rollcall on Consent Agenda, all of which have been corrected.

## APPROVAL OF THE REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING

### MINUTES OF AUGUST 15, 2023

**Mr. Barham** moved the minutes from the regular monthly meeting held on **August 15, 2023**, be approved. The motion was seconded by **Mr. Tocci** and carried by the following vote on call:

**Ayes:**

- Mr. Barry J. Berdahl, Ph.D., Chairman
- Mr. Thomas "Burt" Barham, Vice Chairman
- Mr. Scott Hartman, Secretary
- Mr. Michael MacStudy, Treasurer
- Mr. Richard Tocci, Asst. Treasurer
- Mr. Greg Christopher
- Ms. Jeanette Hoffman
- Mr. Eric Jaeger
- Mr. Brian McPeak

**Absent:**

- Mr. John Bonforte
- Mr. James Mazza
- Mr. Jonathan Peters, Asst. Secretary

## CORRESPONDENCE

Mr. Gianforte had no correspondence other than what was distributed.

## FINANCE AND INSURANCE

### **RESOLUTION NO: 2023-09-97**

### **AUTHORIZING PAYMENT OF BILLS**

**Mr. MacStudy** moved **Resolution No. 2023-09-97** for approval. The motion was seconded by **Mr. Barham** and carried by the following vote on roll call:

**Ayes:**

- Mr. Barry J. Berdahl, Ph.D., Chairman
- Mr. Thomas "Burt" Barham, Vice Chairman
- Mr. Scott Hartman, Secretary
- Mr. Michael MacStudy, Treasurer
- Mr. Richard Tocci, Asst. Treasurer
- Mr. Greg Christopher
- Ms. Jeanette Hoffman
- Mr. Eric Jaeger
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**Absent:**

- Mr. John Bonforte
- Mr. James Mazza
- Mr. Jonathan Peters, Asst. Secretary

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Mr. Rodriguez pointed out that there was one additional payment not included in the package for Brave Industrial of \$56,675.00, which will be ratified at the October 2023 meeting. Mr. Gianforte advised that the check will be cut this month and ratified at the October meeting.

Mr. Jaeger made a request to keep a tally of the vendors the Authority paid the most to in a given year with a running total of expenditures to that vendor. Discussion ensued.

Mr. Berdahl asked Mr. Laughlin if Resolution No. 98 and Resolution No. 111 could be done together. Mr. Laughlin replied yes.

**RESOLUTION NO: 2023-09-98**  
**AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO**  
**ADVERTISE FOR A RATE HEARING**

**RESOLUTION NO: 2023-09-111**  
**APPOINTING PHOENIX ADVISORS, LLC**  
**AS BOND RATING CONSULTANT**  
**PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.5**

**Mr. MacStudy** moved **Resolution No. 2023-09-98** and **Resolution No:2023-09-111** for approval. The motion was seconded by **Mr. Berdahl** and carried by the following vote on roll call:

**Ayes:**

Mr. Barry J. Berdahl, Ph.D., Chairman  
Mr. Thomas "Burt" Barham, Vice Chairman  
Mr. Scott Hartman, Secretary  
Mr. Michael MacStudy, Treasurer  
Mr. Richard Tocci, Asst. Treasurer  
Mr. Greg Christopher  
Ms. Jeanette Hoffman  
Mr. Eric Jaeger  
Mr. Brian McPeak

**Absent:**

Mr. John Bonforte  
Mr. James Mazza  
Mr. Jonathan Peters, Asst. Secretary

**LEGAL AFFAIRS**

Mr. McPeak had nothing new to report.

**ENGINEERING**

Mr. Rischman noted that Sodium Hypochlorite price that was received for bids for the new 2-year contract doubled, but for the past 12 to 18 months the Authority was able to reduce the usage of the chemical by 75%. So, despite the increase, the Authority is looking to save about \$150,000, over the 2-year period of the new contract, again, through less usage. Discussion ensued.

Mr. Vena reported that the final clarifier upgrade project is complete.

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## PERSONNEL

Mr. Gianforte gave an update to the Board on the 1<sup>st</sup> negotiating session with Local 1075. Mr. Bonforte, Mr. Hartman and Mr. Gianforte attended the meeting and are eager to report back once there is some movement in the negotiations.

## CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE

Mr. Hartman updated the Board on the latest progress on the tunnel project.

## RESOLUTION NO: 2023-09-100

### APPROVING CHANGE ORDER #1

### REGIONAL SEWERAGE PUMP STATION, FORCE MAIN

### AND EAST INTERCEPTOR FOR OCEANPORT SECTION OF FORT MONMOUTH

### CONTRACT 202-A

Mr. Hartman moved Resolution No. 2023-09-100 for approval. The motion was seconded by Mr. MacStudy and carried by the following vote on roll call:

**Ayes:**

- Mr. Barry J. Berdahl, Ph.D., Chairman
- Mr. Thomas "Burt" Barham, Vice Chairman
- Mr. Scott Hartman, Secretary
- Mr. Michael MacStudy, Treasurer
- Mr. Richard Tocci, Asst. Treasurer
- Mr. Greg Christopher
- Ms. Jeanette Hoffman
- Mr. Eric Jaeger
- Mr. Brian McPeak

**Absent:**

- Mr. John Bonforte
- Mr. James Mazza
- Mr. Jonathan Peters, Asst. Secretary

Mr. McPeak made a request to consider doing the Consent Agenda before Resolutions **2023-09-99** and Resolution No. **2023-09-112**.

**CONSENT AGENDA: (For Resolutions 2023-09-101 through 2023-09-110)** 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: 2023-09-101** RESOLUTION APPROVING CONFERENCE AND TRAINING REQUEST

**RES NO: 2023-09-102** RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF A RELACEMENT CCTV CAMERA

**RES NO: 2023-09-103** RESOLUTION AWARDDING THE BID FOR THE REMOVAL OF HYDROGEN SULFIDE WITH BIOXIDE 71 COMMENCING NOVEMBER 1, 2023 THROUGH OCTOBER 31, 2025

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**RES NO: 2023-09-104** RESOLUTION AWARDDING THE BID FOR THE REMOVAL OF HYDROGEN SULFIDE BY HYDROGEN PEROXIDE PROCESS COMMENCING NOVEMBER 1, 2023 THROUGH OCTOBER 31, 2025

**RES NO: 2023-09-105** RESOLUTION AWARDDING THE BID FOR REMOVAL OF HYDROGEN SULFIDE WITH NITRATE OXYGEN COMMENCING NOVEMBER 1, 2023 THROUGH OCTOBER 31, 2025

**RES NO: 2023-09-106** RESOLUTION AWARDDING THE BID FOR FURNISHING 15% SODIUM HYPOCHLORITE COMMENCING NOVEMBER 1, 2023 THROUGH OCTOBER 31, 2025

**RES NO: 2023-09-107** RESOLUTION AWARDDING THE BID FOR POLYMER COMMENING NOVEMBER 1, 2023 THROUGH OCTOBER 31, 2025

**RES NO: 2023-09-108** RESOLUTION AWARDDING CONTRACT 210 / EMERGENCY REPAIRS / SERVICES

**RES NO: 2023-09-109** RESOLUTION AWARDDING CONTRACT 211 / PAVEMENT RESTORATION

**RES NO: 2023-09-110** RESOLUTION APPROVING A REVOCABLE LICENSE TO INSTALL A SIDEWALK, RAISE EXISTING GRADE AND CONSTRUCT A FENCE, BLOCK 2, LOT 43 IN THE BOROUGH OF MONMOUTH BEACH

**Mr. Tocci** moved **Resolution Nos. 2023-09-101 and 2023-09-110** for approval. The motion was seconded by **Mr. Hartman** and carried by the following vote on roll call:

**Ayes:**

- Mr. Barry J. Berdahl, Ph.D., Chairman
- Mr. Thomas "Burt" Barham, Vice Chairman
- Mr. Scott Hartman, Secretary
- Mr. Michael MacStudy, Treasurer
- Mr. Richard Tocci, Asst. Treasurer
- Mr. Greg Christopher
- Ms. Jeanette Hoffman
- Mr. Eric Jaeger
- Mr. Brian McPeak

**Absent:**

- Mr. John Bonforte
- Mr. James Mazza
- Mr. Jonathan Peters, Asst. Secretary

Mr. Gianforte noted that Mr. McPeak removed himself from the meeting.

**RESOLUTION NO: 2023-09-99**  
**APPROVING A WORK ORDER AUTHORIZING PS&S**  
**TO EVALUATE THE COLLECTION SCADA SYSTEM**

**RESOLUTION NO: 2023-09-112**  
**APPROVING A WORK ORDER FOR PROFESSIONAL**  
**SERVICES FOR THE ENVIRONMENTAL PERMITTING SERVICE AND ASSISTANCE**  
**WITH OBTAINING NJ I-BANK LOAN FOR THE FORT MONMOUTH**  
**PUMP STATION ABANDONMENT PROJECT**

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**Ayes:** Mr. Barry J. Berdahl, Ph.D., Chairman  
Mr. Thomas "Burt" Barham, Vice Chairman  
Mr. Scott Hartman, Secretary  
Mr. Michael MacStudy, Treasurer  
Mr. Richard Tocci, Asst. Treasurer  
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**Absent:** Mr. John Bonforte  
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### CYBER SECURITY AND SOCIAL MEDIA COMMITTEE

Mr. Peters was not present at the meeting, so the Board was referred to Mr. JnoBaptiste's Cyber Security report.

### OUTREACH COMMITTEE

Mr. Barham had nothing new to report.

### OLD BUSINESS

Mr. Gianforte had one item of old business. Mr. Chairman, a very-well prepared report by Mr. Rodriguez was distributed to you that is related to the debt service coverage and what the Authority submitted to the IBANK, and it is what is going to be submitted to Moody's. It lays out very clearly where the Authority is with debt-service. Discussion ensued.

### NEW BUSINESS

There was no business to report.

### OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

No Pubic was present.

Mr. Tocci moved that the meeting adjourn at 6:30 pm. The motion was seconded by Mr. MacStudy and carried out by voice vote.

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

Respectfully submitted,



Mr. Scott Hartman, Secretary