

**LACEY MUNICIPAL UTILITIES AUTHORITY  
REGULAR MEETING  
AUGUST 5, 2015**

Pledge of Allegiance

**ROLL CALL**

The regular Meeting of the Lacey Municipal Utilities Authority was held on Wednesday, August 5, 2015 and was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Michael Masciale, Vice Chairman. Other members present were Richard Kennedy, Arthur Miklosey, Jack Nosti, Ralph Lanuto and Paul DeNicola. Also present were Jerry Dasti, attorney; Frank Holman, auditor; Felipe Contreras, engineer; and Edward A. Woolf, Executive Director. Nick Juliano, Lacey MUA/Township Committee liaison also attended the meeting.

**“SUNSHINE  
LAW”  
STATEMENT**

Mr. Masciale read the following statement.

Notice of this meeting was adequately provided pursuant to Public Law 1975, Chapter 231.

Such Notice was posted at both the Lacey Township Municipal Building and at the Office of the Lacey Municipal Utilities Authority, Forked River, New Jersey.

Such Notice was forwarded to the following newspapers:

- a. Asbury Park Press
- b. Atlantic City Press

Such Notice was also forwarded to the Lacey Township Clerk for posting and filing.

**APPROVAL  
OF MINUTES**

**Regular Meeting of July 1, 2015** - A motion was made by Mr. Kennedy and seconded by Mr. Lanuto to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of July 1, 2015. Roll call vote: Kennedy-Yes; Lanuto-Yes; Nosti-Yes; Miklosey-Abstain; Masciale-Yes. Motion passed.

**EXECUTIVE  
DIRECTOR'S  
REPORT**

**Cash Balance Report - Period Ending June 30, 2015** - Mr. Woolf summarized the cash balances for period ending June 30, 2015 as follows: Total cash balance for the unrestricted accounts were \$6,705,062.26, with earnings of \$211.90. Total cash balance for the restricted accounts held by the trustee were \$5,498,362.40, with earnings of \$4,904.12. Current period interest on the restricted and unrestricted accounts was \$5,116.02. Year-to-date earnings on all interest bearing accounts were \$22,491.07.

**Resolution 2015-49 – Transfer of Funds – 2015 Sewer and Water Budget** – On recommendation by the executive director, a motion was made by Mr. Nosti and seconded by Mr. Kennedy to adopt *Resolution 2015-49, Resolution of the Lacey Municipal Utilities Authority, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey, Authorizing*

*Transfer of Funds, 2015 Sewer and Water Budget.* Roll call vote: Nosti-Yes; Kennedy-Yes; Lanuto-Yes; Miklosey-Yes; Masciale-Yes. Motion passed.

**Resolution 2015-46 – Assistant Water Treatment Plant Operator** – On recommendation by the executive director, a motion was made by Mr. Kennedy and seconded by Mr. Miklosey to adopt *Resolution 2015-46, Resolution of the Lacey Municipal Utilities Authority, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey, Appointing Derek Verge to the Position of Assistant Water Treatment Plant Operator.* Roll call vote: Kennedy-Yes; Miklosey-Yes; Lanuto-Yes; Nosti-Yes; Masciale-Yes. Motion passed.

**Resolution 2015-47 – Account Clerk** – On recommendation by the executive director, a motion was made by Mr. Nosti and seconded by Mr. Kennedy to adopt *Resolution 2015-47, Resolution of the Lacey Municipal Utilities Authority, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey, Appointing Maria Reitmeyer to the Position of Account Clerk.* Roll call vote: Nosti-Yes; Kennedy-Yes; Lanuto-Yes; Miklosey-Yes; Masciale-Yes. Motion passed.

**Resolution 2015-48 – Donation of Vehicle** – On recommendation by the executive director, a motion was made by Mr. Nosti and seconded by Mr. Miklosey to adopt *Resolution 2015-48, Resolution of the Lacey Municipal Utilities Authority, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey, Authorize Donation of Vehicle to Forked River Volunteer Fire Department.* Vehicle to be donated is a 2004 Ford F-250 pick-up truck. Roll call vote: Nosti-Yes; Miklosey-Yes; Lanuto-Yes; Kennedy-Yes; Masciale-Yes. Motion passed.

## **BUSINESS REPORT**

The business report was submitted for review.

## **ENGINEER'S REPORT**

**Resolution 2015-44 – Final Sewer and Water Approval – Lacey Family Apartments, LLC** – Mr. Contreras stated his office received the application and plans for final sewer and water approvals for Lacey Family Apartments, LLC, Block 1837, Lots 8.02 & 9. The applicant is proposing to construct an apartment complex consisting of nine (9) buildings containing a total of 13 one bedroom apartments, 43 two bedroom apartments, 14 three bedroom apartments, and a 1,798 SF rental office/clubhouse, and one (1) 864 SF maintenance building on the north side of Calvin Street. The applicant proposes to connect to an existing manhole located in Calvin Street and extend approximately 740 LF of 8" PVC sewer main to service the buildings. The applicant also proposes to connect to the existing water main located in Calvin Street and install a water main loop for the site consisting of approximately 690 LF of 8" PVC water main and approximately 578 LF of 6" PVC water main. On recommendation by the authority's engineer, a motion was made by Mr. Miklosey and seconded by Mr. Nosti to adopt Resolution 2015-44, Resolution of the Lacey Municipal Utilities Authority, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey, Final Sewer and Water Approval, Lacey Family Apartments, LLC, Block 1837, Lots 8.02 & 9. Roll call vote: Miklosey-Yes; Nosti-Yes; Lanuto-Yes; Kennedy-Yes; Masciale-Yes. Motion passed.

**Water Treatment Plant No. 1 Upgrades** – Mr. Contreras stated the electrical underground installation is complete. The contractor was contacted to conduct Well 8 start-up.

**Meter Installation** - Mr. Contreras stated installation is 100% complete. Final payment to be completed.

**Cleaning & Televising Contract No. 8** – Mr. Contreras stated this project is complete. Final payment to be completed.

**HPMG Generators** – Mr. Woolf stated the budget must be amended before awarding this project.

**Marketing Plan** – Mr. Contreras stated his office, in conjunction with the auditor and engineer, have prepared a marketing plan for selling water to other communities. He is awaiting for additional comments on the plan before presenting to the Board.

Mr. Dasti stated this project will only become realistic when one of the neighboring towns needs the water. He recommends speaking with Berkeley Township. Mr. Woolf stated he will contact them. Mr. Masciale suggested a finance committee meeting be held to look at the economics associated with this project.

#### ATTORNEY'S REPORT

**Clearview Street** – Mr. Dasti a meeting is scheduled before the Zoning Board of Adjustment for September 8<sup>th</sup>.

**Bob's Square Deal Hardware** - Mr. Dasti stated the Sanitary Sewer Easement has been recorded with the Ocean County Clerk's office.

**Electrical Upgrades** – Mr. Dasti stated his office reviewed the documentation for this project.

#### AUDITOR'S REPORT

**Accountant's Status Report – Month Ended May 31, 2015** – Mr. Holman reported user charges resulted in a favorable variance for the month on both sewer and water. Delinquency charges had a year to date favorable variance for both water and sewer. Interest income had a favorable variance on both water and sewer, due to investments that performed better than expected.

Mr. Masciale stated the report indicates the sewer operating budget for the month shows a favorable variance of over \$66,000.00 and a YTD favorable variance of 75,000.00, due to more customers paying outstanding balances prior to the lien sale. However, the water operating budget for the month indicates a favorable variance of \$37,000 and unfavorable variance of \$21,000, due to less customers paying outstanding balances prior to the lien sale. He stated this statement may be inaccurate. Mr. Holman agreed and stated it will be corrected.

#### CORRESPONDENCE

**James Granato, Alpine Street** – Requesting relief of utility bill, due to leak in crawl space. Since the water from the leak did not go into the sewer system, a motion was made by Mr. Kennedy and seconded by Mr. Miklosey to grant a credit adjustment on the sewer charges in the amount of \$111.49 (39,000 gallons). Roll call vote: Kennedy-Yes; Miklosey-Yes; Lanuto-Yes; Nosti-Yes; Masciale-Yes. Motion passed.

**Renato Alberto, Lacey Road** – Requesting relief of utility bill, due to high water usage. A motion was made by Mr. Kennedy and seconded by Mr. Miklosey to offer meter testing and/or payment plan. Roll call vote: Kennedy-Yes; Miklosey-Yes; Lanuto-Yes; Nosti-Yes; Masciale-Yes. Motion passed.

**Julia Alonso, Osage Drive**- Requesting relief of utility bill, due to leak in crawl space. Since the water from the leak did not go into the sewer system, a motion was made by Mr. Kennedy and seconded by Mr. Nosti to grant a credit adjustment on the sewer charges in the amount of \$340.28 (72,000 gallons). Roll call vote: Kennedy-Yes; Nosti-Yes; Lanuto-Yes; Miklosey-Yes; Masciale-Yes. Motion passed.

**Ronald Bellisiano, Laurel Blvd.** – Requesting relief of utility bill, due to filling pool without pool fill meter. Based upon the available information, a waiver of the service charges could not be supported.

**Albert Santorillo, Seagull Dr.** - Requesting relief of utility bill, due to garden hose leak. Since the water from the leak did not go into the sewer system, a motion was made by Mr. Kennedy and seconded by Mr. Nosti to grant a credit adjustment on the sewer charges in the amount of \$66.52 (20,000 gallons). Roll call vote: Kennedy-Yes; Nosti-Yes; Lanuto-Yes; Miklosey-Yes; Masciale-Yes. Motion passed.

**Robert Callahan, Portsmouth Dr.** - Requesting relief of utility bill, due to leaking pipe. Since the water from the leak did not go into the sewer system, a motion was made by Mr. Kennedy and seconded by Mr. Nosti to grant a credit adjustment on the sewer charges in the amount of \$99.12 (35,000 gallons). Roll call vote: Kennedy-Yes; Nosti-Yes; Lanuto-Yes; Miklosey-Yes; Masciale-Yes. Motion passed.

**Carl Nicolletti, Dogwood Lane** - Requesting relief of utility bill, due to leak in crawl space. Since the water from the leak did not go into the sewer system, a motion was made by Mr. Kennedy and seconded by Mr. Nosti to grant a credit adjustment on the sewer charges in the amount of \$144.88 (43,000 gallons). Roll call vote: Kennedy-Yes; Nosti-Yes; Lanuto-Yes; Miklosey-Yes; Masciale-Yes. Motion passed.

**Scott Lepley/RLA Properties, N. Main Street**- Requesting relief of utility bill, due to broken pipe. Since the water from the leak did not go into the sewer system, a motion was made by Mr. Kennedy and seconded by Mr. Nosti to grant a credit adjustment on the sewer charges in the amount of \$1,949.82 (261,000 gallons). Roll call vote: Kennedy-Yes; Nosti-Yes; Lanuto-Yes; Miklosey-Yes; Masciale-Yes. Motion passed.

**OLD  
BUSINESS**

There was no old business to discuss.

**NEW BUSINESS**

There was no new business to discuss.

**PUBLIC BUSINESS/  
COMMENT**

There was no public business/comment.

**PAYMENT OF  
VOUCHERS**

**WHEREAS**, the members of the Lacey Municipal Utilities Authority carefully examined all vouchers presented for payment of claims;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Lacey Municipal Utilities Authority that:

1. Said vouchers in the sum of \$236,252.63 be and the same are hereby approved to be paid.

2. Said vouchers are listed on the attached computer check register.

A motion was made by Mr. Miklosey and seconded by Mr. Nosti to adopt the above resolution. Roll call vote: Miklosey-Yes; Nosti-Yes; Lanuto-Yes; Kennedy-Yes; Masciale-Yes. Motion passed.

**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 7:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Michele Kennedy  
Executive Secretary