

**LACEY MUNICIPAL UTILITIES AUTHORITY
REGULAR MEETING
SEPTEMBER 4, 2019**

Pledge of Allegiance

ROLL CALL

A Regular Meeting of the Lacey Municipal Utilities Authority was held on Wednesday, September 4, 2019 and was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by James Knoeller, Chairman. Other members present were Michael Masciale, Jack Nosti, Ralph Lanuto, Alan Baker and Paul DeNicola. Also present were Jerry Dasti, attorney; Alan Dittenhofer, engineer; Jerry Conaty, auditor; and Edward A. Woolf, executive director. Nick Juliano, Lacey MUA/Township Committee Liaison also attended the meeting.

**“SUNSHINE
LAW”
STATEMENT**

Mr. Knoeller 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 August 7, 2019 - A motion was made by Mr. Masciale and seconded by Mr. Nosti to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of August 7, 2019. Roll call vote: Masciale-Yes; Nosti-Yes; Baker-Yes; Lanuto-Yes; Knoeller-Yes. Motion passed.

**EXECUTIVE
DIRECTOR’S
REPORT**

Cash Balance Report - Period Ending July 31, 2019 - Mr. Woolf summarized the cash balances for period ending July 31, 2019 as follows: Total cash balance for the unrestricted accounts were \$10,097,097.25, with earnings of \$16,343.41. Total cash balance for the restricted accounts held by the trustee were \$4,821,948.74, with earnings of \$20,293.03. Current period interest on the restricted and unrestricted accounts was \$36,363.44. Year-to-date earnings on all interest bearing accounts were \$149,195.40.

Mr. Woolf stated the investment manager will be attending the next meeting to report on the Authority’s investments.

Resolution 2019-38 – Rejecting Bids – Repainting of Tank No. 1 – On recommendation by the executive director the Board adopted *Resolution 2019-38, Resolution of the Lacey Municipal Utilities Authority, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey, Rejecting all Bids Submitted for the Repainting of Tank No. 1 Project.*

**BUSINESS
REPORT**

The business report was submitted for review.

**ENGINEER'S
REPORT**

Resolution 2019-40 – Performance Guarantee Reduction – Toll Brothers – Sea Breeze at Lacey – On recommendation by the engineer, a motion was made by Mr. Nosti and seconded by Mr. Lanuto to adopt *Resolution 2019-40, Resolution of the Lacey Municipal Utilities Authority, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey, Performance Guarantee Reduction, Water and Sewer Systems, Toll Brothers- Sea Breeze at Lacey, Phase 2H, Section 2, Ambermist Way, Farham Ct., Gladstone Ct., Blocks 1901.17, 1901.18, 1901.26, Various Lots.* Roll call vote: Nosti-Yes; Lanuto-Yes; Baker-Yes; Masciale-Yes; Knoeller-Yes. Motion passed.

Resolution 2019-41 – Performance Guarantee Reduction – Toll Brothers – Sea Breeze at Lacey – On recommendation by the engineer, a motion was made by Mr. Nosti and seconded by Mr. Lanuto to adopt *Resolution 2019-41, Resolution of the Lacey Municipal Utilities Authority, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey, Performance Guarantee Reduction, Water and Sewer Systems, Toll Brothers- Sea Breeze at Lacey, Phase 2G, Section 2, Ambermist Way, Gladstone Ct., Blocks 1901.17, 1901.18, 1901.26, Various Lots.* Roll call vote: Nosti-Yes; Lanuto-Yes; Baker-Yes; Masciale-Yes; Knoeller-Yes. Motion passed.

Resolution 2019-42 – Performance Guarantee Release – Cimarron Woods – G.S. Realty, Inc. – On recommendation by the engineer, a motion was made by Mr. Masciale and seconded by Mr. Nosti to adopt *Resolution 2019-42, Resolution of the Lacey Municipal Utilities Authority, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey, Performance Guarantee Release, Sewer and Water, Cimarron Woods, G.S. Realty, Inc., Block 1026, Lot 7 & Block 1125, Lots 37-53.* Roll call vote: Masciale-Yes; Nosti-Yes; Baker-Yes; Lanuto-Yes; Knoeller-Yes. Motion passed.

New Administration Building – Mr. Dittenhofer stated construction of the administration building is complete. A CO was issued by the Township, however, punch list items still remain with the contractor for final Ocean County Soils approval.

Sanitary Sewer Clean and Televis – Mr. Dittenhofer stated contracts have been forwarded to the contractor and a preconstruction meeting will be scheduled.

Tank No. 1 Repainting – Mr. DeNicola asked about the status of going out of state for bidding the Tank No. 1 repainting project. Mr. Dittenhofer stated there are bid service companies nationwide that advertise information on projects. Mr. Knoeller asked Mr. Woolf to contact contractors that build tanks and see if they can recommend paint companies.

**ATTORNEY'S
REPORT**

Exelon/Holtec Corp. – Mr. Dasti stated a meeting was held with representatives of Holtec. Mr. Dittenhofer has prepared a projected cost scenario for the design of the water main extension. His office forwarded the original correspondence to representatives of Holtec in anticipation of preparing a developer's agreement.

**AUDITOR'S
REPORT**

Accountant's Status Report – Month Ended July 31, 2019 – Mr. Conaty reported water and sewer revenues had a favorable variance for the month. Sewer expenses had an unfavorable variance for the month, but a favorable variance on water. Sewer user charges had a favorable variance for the month, but unfavorable variance on water.

Resolution 2019-39 – Accept and Approve 2018 Audit – On recommendation by the Authority's auditor, a motion was made by Mr. Masciale and seconded by Mr. Nosti to adopt *Resolution 2019-39, Resolution of the Lacey Municipal Utilities Authority, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey, Accepting and Approving the Audit ending Fiscal Year December 31, 2018*. Roll call vote: Masciale-Yes; Nosti-Yes; Baker-Yes; Lanuto-Yes; Knoeller-Yes. Motion passed.

CORRESPONDENCE

Jason Verge, Lee Way – Requesting relief of utility bill, due to broken pipe in crawl space. Since the water from the leak did not go into the sewer system, a motion was made by Mr. Masciale and seconded by Mr. Nosti to grant a credit adjustment on the sewer charges in the amount of \$851.69 (121,000 gallons). Roll call vote: Masciale-Yes; Nosti-Yes; Baker-Yes; Lanuto-Yes; Knoeller-Yes. Motion passed.

Actlien Property – Requesting relief of utility bill, due to broken pipe in basement. Since the water from the leak did not go into the sewer system, a motion was made by Mr. Nosti and seconded by Mr. Masciale to grant a credit adjustment on the sewer charges in the amount of \$2,134.30 (291,000 gallons). Roll call vote: Nosti-Yes; Masciale-Yes; Baker-Yes; Lanuto-Yes; Knoeller-Yes. Motion passed.

Mr. & Mrs. Barsch, Nantucket Rd. - Requesting relief of utility bill, due to leaky outside faucet. Since the water from the leak did not go into the sewer system, a motion was made by Mr. Nosti and seconded by Mr. Lanuto to grant a credit adjustment on the sewer charges in the amount of \$904.40 (129,000 gallons). Roll call vote: Nosti-Yes; Lanuto-Yes; Baker-Yes; Masciale-Yes; Knoeller-Yes. Motion passed.

**OLD
BUSINESS**

There was no old business to discuss.

**NEW
BUSINESS**

Mr. DeNicola asked if it was necessary to announce the Authority's meeting schedule in the Atlantic City Press. Mr. Woolf stated the schedule needs to be advertised in two official newspapers.

**PUBLIC BUSINESS/
COMMENT**

Regina Discenza, Sunset Drive - Mrs. Discenza asked if Holtec Corporation is looking to get water from the LMUA because they do not want to use their well water to service their new building. Mr. Knoeller stated that is correct – they currently have no water service to their site.

Mrs. Discenza informed the Board there is a vacancy on the Board of Education and they are accepting letters of interest/applications.

**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 \$990,808.78 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. Masciale and seconded by Mr. Nosti to adopt the above Resolution. Roll call vote: Masciale-Yes; Nosti-Yes; Baker-Yes; Lanuto-Yes; Knoeller-Yes. Motion passed.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 6:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Michele Kennedy
Executive Secretary