LACEY MUNICIPAL UTILITIES AUTHORITY
REGULAR MEETING
AUGUST 5, 2026

Pledge of Allegiance

ROLL CALL

The Regular Meeting of the Lacey Municipal Utilities Authority was held on Wednesday, August 5, 2026 and was called to order at 5:30 p.m. p.m. by James Knoeller, Chairman. Other members present were Gary Quinn, Ralph Lanuto, Alan Baker, and Jeff Nilon, Karen MacArthur arrived at 5:45 p.m. Also present were Trace Dittenhofer, engineer; Chris Dasti, Esq., attorney; Brian Waldron, auditor, Nicole Kelley, Administrator/CFO and Troy Burton, executive director.

"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 July 1, 2026 - A motion was made by Mr. Nilon and seconded by Mr. Quinn to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of July 1, 2026. Roll call vote: Nilon-Yes; Quinn-Yes; Lanuto-Yes; Baker-Yes; Knoeller-Yes. Motion passed.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Cash Balance Report - Period Ending June 30, 2026 - Mr. Burton summarized the cash balances for period ending June 30, 2026 as follows: Total cash balance for the unrestricted accounts were $10,225,653.85, with earnings of $40,436.34. Total cash balance for the restricted accounts held by the trustee were $651,370.08, with earnings of $4,314.67. Current period interest on the restricted and unrestricted accounts was $44,751.01. Year-to-date earnings on all interest bearing accounts were $241,811.59.

BUSINESS REPORT

The business report was submitted for review.

ENGINEER'S REPORT

Resolution 2026-45 – Final Sewer & Water Approval – Lacey Plaza – On recommendation by the authority's engineer, a motion was made by Mr. Nilon and seconded by Mr. Quinn to adopt *Resolution 2026-45, Final Sewer & Water Approval,*

Lacey Plaza, Block 225, Lots 17.02 – 17.04 Roll call vote: Nilon-Yes; Quinn-Yes; Lanuto-Yes; Baker-Yes; Knoeller-Yes. Motion passed.

Resolution 2026-46 – Preliminary, Tentative & Final Sewer & Water Approval – Macedonia Church – On recommendation by the authority's engineer, a motion was made by Mr. Nilon and seconded by Mr. Lanuto to adopt *Resolution 2026-46, Preliminary, Tentative and Final Sewer & Water Approval, Macedonia Church, Block 1610, Lot 27.* Roll call vote: Nilon-Yes; Lanuto-Yes; Baker-Yes; Quinn-Yes; Knoeller-Yes. Motion passed.

Water Tower #2 Rehabilitation – Tank is online and operational. Punch list items outstanding.

Pump Station Rehabilitation Phase 2 – Project to be advertised end of August for October award.

Water Tower Generator Installation – Generator acquisition to be completed under cooperative agreement for installation in the Fall depending on generator lead time.

ATTORNEY'S REPORT

LMUA ads. M&T at Lacey – Mr. Dasti reported his office had a Case Management Conference with Judge Hodgson on July 13, 2026. The attorney for M&T advised that their client is still reviewing the settlement proposal and is going to respond within the next few weeks.

AUDITOR'S REPORT

Accountant's Status Report – Month Ended June 30, 2026 – Mr. Waldron reported sewer and water revenues had a favorable balance for the month and year to date. Sewer and water expenses had a favorable variance for the month and year to date. Sewer user charges had an unfavorable variance for the month, favorable on water. The Authority can anticipate a credit of $14,143.00 through the month of June from the OCUA.

CORRESPONDENCE

Mary Bush, Tiller Dr. - Requesting relief of utility bill, due to broken pipes in crawl space. Since the water from the leak did not go into the sewer system, a motion was made by Mr. Quinn and seconded by Mr. Lanuto to grant an adjustment on the sewer charges in the amount of $1,282.42. Roll call vote: Quinn-Yes; Lanuto-Yes; Nilon-Yes; Baker-Yes; Knoeller-Yes. Motion passed.

Suzanne Parra, Lake Barnegat Dr. - 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. Quinn and seconded by Mr. Lanuto to grant an adjustment on the sewer charges in the amount of $1,318.93. Roll call vote: Quinn-Yes; Lanuto-Yes; Nilon-Yes; Baker-Yes; Knoeller-Yes. Motion passed.

Cesar Dietrich, Starboard St. - Mr. Dietrich was present requesting relief of his utility bill, due to broken meter due to freezing. He explained that since the water meter cracked due to freezing temperatures, he should be provided relief on the water charges. Relief on the water charges were denied. A motion was made by Mr. Quinn and seconded by Mr. Lanuto to grant an adjustment on the sewer charges only in the amount

of $9,619.35. A payment plan will be offered to repay outstanding utility charges. Roll call vote: Quinn-Yes; Lanuto-Yes; Nilon-Yes; Baker-Yes; Knoeller-Yes. Motion passed.

Samuel Manfredit, Jr. Spar Dr. - Requesting relief of utility bill, due to underground pipe leak. Since the water from the leak did not go into the sewer system, a motion was made by Mr. Quinn and seconded by Mr. Lanuto to grant an adjustment on the sewer charges in the amount of $588.44. Roll call vote: Quinn-Yes; Lanuto-Yes; Nilon-Yes; Baker-Yes; Knoeller-Yes. Motion passed.

Ellen Magliaro, E. Hickory Dr. - Requesting relief of utility bill, due to underground pipe leak. Since the water from the leak did not go into the sewer system, a motion was made by Mr. Quinn and seconded by Mr. Lanuto to grant an adjustment on the sewer charges in the amount of $196.10. Roll call vote: Quinn-Yes; Lanuto-Yes; Nilon-Yes; Baker-Abstain; Knoeller-Yes. Motion passed.

Robert Woolley, Riviera Dr. - Requesting relief of utility bill, due to leaking expansion tank in crawl space. Since the water from the leak did not go into the sewer system, a motion was made by Mr. Quinn and seconded by Mr. Lanuto to grant an adjustment on the sewer charges in the amount of $255.26. Roll call vote: Quinn-Yes; Lanuto-Yes; Nilon-Yes; Baker-Yes; Knoeller-Yes. Motion passed.

Severino Fortes, Boat Rd.- 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. Quinn and seconded by Mr. Lanuto to grant an adjustment on the sewer charges in the amount of $303.64. Roll call vote: Quinn-Yes; Lanuto-Yes; Nilon-Yes; Baker-Yes; Knoeller-Yes. Motion passed.

William Austin, S. Main St. - Requesting relief of utility bill, due to leaking brass coupling on meter set. Since the water from the leak did not go into the sewer system, a motion was made by Mr. Quinn and seconded by Mr. Lanuto to grant an adjustment on the sewer charges in the amount of $1,363.29. Roll call vote: Quinn-Yes; Lanuto-Yes; Nilon-Yes; Baker-Yes; Knoeller-Yes. Motion passed.

OLD BUSINESS There was no old business to discuss.

NEW BUSINESS There was no new business to discuss.

PUBLIC BUSINESS/ COMMENT

Regina Discenza, Sunset Drive – Mrs. Discenza asked if Waretown has ever connected to the LMUA's water system. Mr. Knoeller stated they have been asked numerous times. However, they are not interested at this time.

Mrs. Discenza is concerned about the plants in the Home Depot parking lot, noting they have fertilizer in them. Mr. Burton stated the fertilizer in the plants have a slow release fertilizer. Mr. Burton added that Home Depot had their biannual monitoring done and all results are satisfactory.

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 $372,626.64 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. Lanuto and seconded by Mr. Quinn to adopt the above resolution. Roll call vote: Lanuto-Yes; Quinn-Yes; Nilon-Yes; Baker-Yes; Knoeller-Yes. Motion passed.

ADJOURNMENT There being no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 5:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Michele Kennedy
Executive Secretary