LACEY MUNICIPAL UTILITIES AUTHORITY
REGULAR MEETING
JULY 1, 2026

Pledge of Allegiance

ROLL CALL

The Regular Meeting of the Lacey Municipal Utilities Authority was held on Wednesday, July 1, 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 Karen MacArthur. Also present were Trace Dittenhofer, engineer; Chris Dasti, Esq., attorney; 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 June 3, 2026 - A motion was made by Mr. Quinn and seconded by Ms. MacArthur to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of June 3, 2026. Roll call vote: Quinn-Yes; MacArthur-Yes; Lanuto-Yes; Baker-Yes; Knoeller-Abstain. Motion passed.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Cash Balance Report - Period Ending May 31, 2026 - Mr. Burton summarized the cash balances for period ending May 31, 2026 as follows: Total cash balance for the unrestricted accounts were $9,862,879.05, with earnings of $22,060.34. Total cash balance for the restricted accounts held by the trustee were $652,097.60, with earnings of $4,250.96. Current period interest on the restricted and unrestricted accounts was $26,311.30. Year-to-date earnings on all interest bearing accounts were $197,060.58.

BUSINESS REPORT

The business report was submitted for review.

ENGINEER'S REPORT

Resolution 2026-44 – Release Performance Guarantee & Cash Bonds – Sea Breeze @ Lacey – On recommendation by the authority's engineer, a motion was made by Ms.

MacArthur and seconded by Mr. Quinn to adopt *Resolution 2026-44, Release of Performance Guarantee and Cash Bonds, Sea Breeze @ Lacey.* Roll call vote: MacArthur-Yes; Quinn-Yes; Lanuto-Yes; Baker-Yes; Knoeller-Yes. Motion passed.

Water Tower #2 Rehabilitation – Tank is online. Punch list closeout meeting to be held July 2, 2026.

Pump Station Rehabilitation Phase 2 – Design underway. Anticipate bid advertisement early summer.

Sanitary Sewer Rehabilitation Phase 2 – Remainder of scope completed. Project to be closed out.

Tower 2 Generator Installation – Design underway. Investigating purchasing generator under co-op or public bid.

ATTORNEY'S REPORT

QuickChek 101 North Main Street - Mr. Dasti reported his office revised the proposed developer's agreement to include the provision that if the property is within the wellhead protection area they will comply with the operations agreement for the area and if required, install a monitoring well.

LMUA ads. M& T at Lacey – Mr. Dasti reported an in-person settlement meeting was held with representatives of M&T. His office is working on crafting a proposed settlement agreement to resolve the litigation.

AUDITOR'S REPORT

Accountant's Status Report – Month Ended April 30, 2026 – The accountant's status report was submitted for review. Sewer and water revenues had a favorable balance for the month and year-to-date. Sewer expenses had a favorable variance for the month, unfavorable on water. Sewer and water user charges had a favorable variance for the month and year-to-date. The Authority can anticipate a credit of $13,522.00 through the month of May from the OCUA.

CORRESPONDENCE

David Gebhardt, Jr. Wood Ave. - Requesting relief of utility bill, due to leaking expansion tank. Since the water from the leak did not go into the sewer system, a motion was made by Ms. MacArthur and seconded by Mr. Quinn to grant an adjustment on the sewer charges in the amount of $496.74. Roll call vote: MacArthur-Yes; Quinn-Yes; Lanuto-Yes; Baker-Yes; Knoeller-Yes. Motion passed.

Shirley Ulep, Ensign Dr. - Requesting relief of utility bill, due to leaking pressure valve for boiler draining into crawl space. Since the water from the leak did not go into the sewer system, a motion was made by Ms. MacArthur and seconded by Mr. Quinn to grant an adjustment on the sewer charges in the amount of $1,047.42. Roll call vote: MacArthur-Yes; Quinn-Yes; Lanuto-Yes; Baker-Yes; Knoeller-Yes. Motion passed.

Julie Hanrahan, Laurel Blvd. – 2nd Request - Requesting relief of water charges that went through the meter that leaked on the ground. Water fees will remain since the water passed through the meter. Payment plan has been offered multiple times.

Lois Cruz, Pensacola Road - Requesting relief of utility bill, due to pipe burst due to freezing. Since the water from the leak did not go into the sewer system, a motion was made by Ms. MacArthur and seconded by Mr. Quinn to grant an adjustment on the sewer charges in the amount of $417.03. Roll call vote: MacArthur-Yes; Quinn-Yes; Lanuto-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 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 $445,398.11 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 Ms. MacArthur and seconded by Mr. Lanuto to adopt the above resolution. Roll call vote: MacArthur-Yes; Lanuto-Yes; Baker-Yes; Quinn-Yes; Knoeller-Yes. Motion passed.

ADJOURNMENT There being no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 5:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Michele Kennedy
Executive Secretary