

The regular meeting of the Ewing-Lawrence Sewerage Authority was held on Tuesday, January 18, 2022, at 12:00 P.M. at 600 Whitehead Road, Lawrenceville, New Jersey 08648 via teleconferencing.

Present: Messrs. Geter, Kownacki, Lee, Muzaffar, Ryan, Vereen and S. Robert Filler, Executive Director; W. Barry Rank, Esquire.

Absent and Excused: None

Also attending: Dennis Yoder of Remington Vernick Engineers; Allan Jacobs of Jacobs Environmental Consulting; Vance Stephens, ELSA Administrative Officer;

Mr. Kownacki called the meeting to order and Mr. Filler gave the invocation. After the Pledge of Allegiance, Mr. Kownacki advised that all requirements of the Local Public Meetings Act have been met. He also advised that any contracts awarded today would comply with the requirements of P.L. 1975, c. 127 (N.J.A.C. 17:27).

Res. 1:22. On motion of Mr. Geter and seconded by Mr. Muzaffar and unanimously carried it was moved that the December 21, 2021, Meeting minutes be approved as presented.

Res. 2:22. On motion of Mr. Vereen and seconded by Mr. Geter and unanimously carried it was moved that the December 2021 Flow, Maintenance and Connection Reports be filed.

Res. 3:22. On motion of Mr. Vereen and seconded by Mr. Muzaffar and unanimously carried it was moved that the January 18, 2022, Schedule of Bills in the total amount of \$694,430.57 be accepted.

There were no public comments.

Mr. Filler advised that the Regional Sludge Management Committee met on December 15<sup>th</sup> and the meeting was a recap of the prior quarterly meeting and that the next meeting would be in March, 2022.

Res. 4:22. On motion of Mr. Geter and seconded by Mr. Muzaffar and unanimously carried the following meeting schedule was adopted:

SCHEDULE OF REGULAR MEETING DATES

2022 - 2023

12:00 P.M.

2022 JANUARY 18th

FEBRUARY 15th (REORGANIZATION & REGULAR)

MARCH 15th

APRIL 19th

MAY 17th

JUNE 21<sup>st</sup>

JULY 19th

AUGUST 16th

SEPTEMBER 20th

OCTOBER 18<sup>TH</sup>

NOVEMBER 15<sup>th</sup>

DECEMBER 20th

2023 JANUARY 17th

FEBRUARY 21<sup>st</sup> (REORGANIZATION & REGULAR)

The above are the third Tuesdays of each month. All meetings will be held at 600 Whitehead Road, Lawrenceville, New Jersey 08648.

Mr. Yoder advised that he had reviewed the application submitted by Woodmont Federal at Hopewell. They propose to construct a multi-family residential development within Hopewell Township. The proposed rental units consist of buildings with a total of 300 dwelling units, including 96 (1) one bedroom units; 194 (2) two bedroom units and 10 (3) three bedroom units as well as a 12,480 square foot community center with a pool. Mr. Yoder recommended granting preliminary approval subject to the comments in his letter dated January 11,2022.

Res. 5:22. On motion of Mr. Lee and seconded by Mr. Vereen and unanimously carried the following resolution was presented for adoption:

WHEREAS, WOODMONT FEDERAL at HOPEWELL proposes construction of a multi-family residential development within Hopewell Township consisting of 300 dwelling units including 96 (1) bedroom units; 194 (2) bedroom units and 10 (3) bedroom units and a 12,480 square foot community center with a swimming pool in Ewing Township; and

WHEREAS, the EWING-LAWRENCE SEWERAGE AUTHORITY (the "Authority") considered the application of the Developer to connect its proposed facility to the Authority's sewerage system;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the proposed connection for the Developer's proposed Development to the Authority's sewerage system is approved, subject to the following conditions:

1. The Developer, at its own cost, shall provide "as-built" plans for the sewerage system in a manner acceptable to the Authority's Engineer prior to the issuance of a Certificate of Occupancy by the Township.
2. The Developer, at its own cost, shall provide all necessary easements to the Authority upon the request of the Authority.
3. The Developer shall revise its utility plans in accordance with such recommendations as the Authority's Engineer shall specify.
4. The Executive Director is hereby authorized to execute all forms necessary to obtain a NJDEP Permit.
5. The Authority hereby endorses this project and further certifies that said project meets the 208 Wastewater Management Plan requirements and expects to continue to meet the NJPDES Permit requirements.
6. This preliminary approval granted pursuant to this Resolution shall expire ninety (90) days from the date hereof.
7. The Developer shall pay the appropriate connection and inspection fees.
8. The sewers shall conform to the Authority's Rules and Regulations.
9. This approval is subject to acceptance of the comments and conditions outlined in Remington & Vernick Engineers letter dated January 11, 2022.

Mr. Jacobs advised the Board that on April 16, 2021, he met with the ELSA Engineering Committee and ELSA staff including Mr. Filler, William Hill and David Sopronyi to conduct interviews of engineering firms for the design of the Fourth Street Force Main Dualization and Sullivan Way Pump Station and Force Main projects. The engineering firms invited to interview were Kleinfelder, R3M, HDR, Arcadis and Remington Vernick. The committee thereafter requested that HDR and Remington Vernick submit proposals with pricing submitted separately. On January 11, 2022, Mr. Jacobs met with the ELSA Engineering Committee and ELSA staff including Mr. Filler, Christopher Gianotto and David Sopronyi to discuss the technical merits of each proposal. Thereafter, the pricing envelopes were opened. After review, those in attendance voted for Remington Vernick.

Res. 6:22. On motion of Mr. Lee and seconded by Mr. Muzaffar and unanimously carried the following resolution was presented for adoption:

The Authority awarded the contract for the design of the Fourth Street Force Main Dualization project to Remington Vernick Engineers in the amount of \$549,170.00 in accordance with their proposal as the lowest, responsible, responsive bidder. Funds are available per the Availability of Funds certification of the Administrative Officer.

Res. 7:22. On motion of Mr. Lee and seconded by Mr. Geter and unanimously carried the following resolution was presented for adoption:

The Authority awarded the contract for design of the Sullivan Way Pump Station and Force Main project to Remington Vernick, Engineers in the amount of \$424,940.00 in accordance with their proposal as the lowest, responsible, responsive bidder. Funds are available per the Availability of Funds certification of the Administrative Officer.

Mr. Jacobs advised that in anticipation of the Trails at Princeton Pike project it would be prudent to clean the pipe from Princeton Pike under Route 1 to the 48" sewer along the D & R Canal and presented a proposal for the design and specification of cleaning, grit removal, root cutting and video inspection of the 24", 30" and 36" sewers approximately 7,000 feet in length for a total budget of \$12,500.00.

Res. 8:22. On motion of Mr. Vereen and seconded by Mr. Kownacki and unanimously carried the following resolution was presented for adoption:

The Authority awarded the contract for the design and specifications for the cleaning, grit removal, root cutting and video inspection of the 24", 30" and 36" sewers approximately 7,000 feet in length from Princeton Pike under Route 1 to the D & R Canal to Jacobs Environmental for a total budget of \$12,500.00 in accordance with their proposal dated January 12, 2022.

Mr. Filler updated the Board as follows:

1. The emergency repair at the Sullivan Way Pump Station would be completed in February, 2022.
2. The Authority would be discussing with Synnergy for the Solar Panel project options for pricing for 15 years at a fixed rate.
3. In order to receive final payment from the State of NJ DOT for engineering services rendered for the project from Route 1 Southbound Nassau Park Blvd to Quaker Bridge Mail Overpass, the Authority has been requested to execute a Utility Agreement.

Res. 9:22. On motion of Mr. Lee and seconded by Muzaffar and unanimously carried the following resolution was presented for adoption:

Mr. Filler is authorized to execute the agreement with NJDOT for the Route 1 Southbound Nassau Park Blvd to Quakerbridge Mall Overpass work.

4. Mr. Stephens and Mr. Filler would be appearing before Lawrence Township Town Council to discuss the Authority's 2022 budget.
5. The ELSA employee handbook is in progress as is the Drug & Alcohol Policy.
6. National Water Main started the Denow Road project in January.

Mr. Rank reported:

1. The meeting with New Water Supply Authority to discuss the D & R Canal lease had been cancelled and would be rescheduled.

Res. 10:22. On motion of Mr. Kownacki and seconded by Mr. Muzaffar and unanimously carried, the meeting was adjourned at 12:35 pm.

Submitted by Susan Dorio for the  
Ewing Lawrence Sewerage Authority