

The regular meeting of the Ewing-Lawrence Sewerage Authority was held on Tuesday, August 17, 2021 at 12:00 P.M. at 600 Whitehead Road, Lawrenceville, New Jersey 08648.

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

Absent and Excused: Mr. Colavita

Also attending: Vance Stephens, ELSA Administrative Officer and Dennis Yoder of Remington Vernick Engineers.

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. 74:21. On motion of Mr. Geter and seconded by Mr. Muzaffar and unanimously carried it was moved that the July 20, 2021, Meeting minutes be approved as presented.

Res. 75:21. On motion of Mr. Muzaffar and seconded by Mr. Lee and unanimously carried it was moved that the July 2021 Flow, Maintenance and Connection Reports be filed.

Res. 76:21. On motion of Mr. Geter and seconded by Mr. Lee and unanimously carried it was moved that the August 17, 2021, Schedule of Bills in the total amount of \$1,030,986.73 be accepted.

Mr. Filler advised that the Regional Sludge Management Committee met via conference call on June 16, 2021; that the next meeting would be September 15, 2021, via conference call; that all payments are current and that tours are available.

Mr. Filler advised that Kleinfelder had submitted a proposal dated August 12, 2021, for Sanitary Sewer Permitting (Wetlands GP 2) and CCTV Inspection and review of the Sanitary Sewer Main between Manholes D-100 and D-94 at the Mercer Trenton Airport along the Railroad.

Res: 77-21. On motion of Mr. Muzaffar and seconded by Mr. Vereen and unanimously carried it was moved that the proposal submitted by Kleinfelder dated August 12, 2021, in an amount not to exceed \$17,500.00 be accepted for the Sanitary Sewer Permitting (Wetlands GP 2) and CCTV Inspection and review of the Sanitary Sewer Main between Manholes D-100 and D-94 at the Mercer Trenton Airport along the Railroad.

Mr. Filler advised that the Authority had scheduled a pre-bid conference for August 18, 2021, for the Denow Road Sewer Rehabilitation and the Jacobs Creek Area Sewer Rehabilitation projects. It was recommended that a motion to reject the prior bids be adopted by the Board.

Res: 78-21. On motion of Mr. Muzaffar and seconded by Mr. Geter and unanimously carried it is moved that the bids received by the Authority on July 8, 2021, for the Denow Road Sewer Rehabilitation and Jacobs Creek Area Sewer Rehabilitation projects are hereby rejected.

Mr. Filler reported:

1. Bob Chilton of Gabel Associates was reviewing the Purchase Power Agreement between the Authority and Synnergy and would be present at the September 21st board meeting to present his findings;
2. The Authority has scheduled a pre-bid conference for the Denow Road Sewer Rehabilitation and Jacobs Creek Area Sewer Rehabilitation projects for August 18, 2021;
3. Authority maintenance staff would be meeting today with Dennis Yoder to discuss the repair of the Katzenbach School Force Main and determine if a Treatment Works Application would be required.
4. Authority staff met the CWA 1032 negotiating committee on August 4, 2021, and presented their requests. The next meeting will be on August 18, 2021 at 9:00 AM.
5. Nitrates removal – following up with elected officials was underway.
6. The Board was updated on the health and recovery of Mr. Jacobs and Mr. Colavita. Continued wishes for speedy recovery for all was expressed.

Mr. Rank reported:

1. Nitrates removal – A motion for summary judgment was expected within the next month and the status remains unchanged. The telephone conference held on July 21, 2021 was informal.
2. US Homes v. ELSA – Hopewell’s comments have been received. The Authority wants indemnification from Hopewell if Hopewell rezones any of the lands/properties that are part of the settlement agreement.

Res. 79:21. On motion of Mr. Lee and seconded by Mr. Vereen and unanimously carried, the meeting was adjourned at 12:45 pm.

Submitted by Susan Dorio for the
Ewing Lawrence Sewerage Authority