

The regular meeting of the Ewing-Lawrence Sewerage Authority was held on Tuesday, September 17, 2019 at 12:00 P.M. at 600 Whitehead Road, Lawrenceville, New Jersey 08648.

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

Also attending: Allan Jacobs of Jacobs Environmental, Inc., Stephen Durst and Stephen Trumbo of Synnergy.

Mr. Vereen called the meeting to order and Mr. Filler gave the invocation. After the Pledge of Allegiance, Mr. Vereen 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. 75:19. On motion of Mr. Geter and seconded by Mr. Kownacki the August 21, 2019 minutes were presented for adoption.

The above resolution was adopted on the following roll call vote:

Ayes: Messrs. Geter, Kownacki, Lee, Muzaffar and Vereen.

Nays: None.

Absent: None.

Abstain: Mr. Colavita

Res. 76:19. On motion of Mr. Colavita and seconded by Mr. Muzaffar and unanimously carried, the August 2019 Flow, Maintenance and Connection Reports were ordered filed.

Res. 77 :19. On motion of Mr. Colavita and seconded by Mr. Muzaffar it was moved that the September 17, 2019 Schedule of Bills in the total amount of \$994,775.15 be accepted.

The above resolution was adopted on the following roll call vote:

Ayes: Messrs. Colavita, Geter, Kownacki, Lee, Muzaffar and Vereen.

Nays: None.

Absent: None.

Mr. Filler updated the Board on the Regional Sludge Facility and advised that a tour of the facility will be scheduled if anyone is interested. Messrs. Colavita, Lee, Kownacki and Muzaffar are interested in a tour.

Mr. Filler reported that bids were received on August 21, 2019 for Maintenance, Emergency Repair Service, Replacements and/or Additions for Sewerage Lines. Bids were received as follows:

Waters & Bugbee, Inc.

\$ 73,966.88

Trenton, NJ

Joseph Jingoli & Son, Inc. \$ 74,218.00
Lawrenceville, NJ

William Hill recommends that the contract be awarded to Waters & Bugbee, Inc. as the lowest responsible, responsive bidder.

Res. 78:19. On motion of Mr. Geter and seconded by Mr. Muzaffar it was moved that the contract for Maintenance, Emergency Repair Service and/or Replacements for Sewerage Lines be awarded to Waters & Bugbee, Inc. for a one-year period in accordance with their bid received August 21, 2019 as the lowest, responsible, responsive bidder. Funds are available per the Availability of Funds certification of the Administrative Officer.

The above resolution was adopted on the following roll call vote:

Ayes: Messrs. Colavita, Geter, Kownacki, Lee, Muzaffar and Vereen.

Nays: None.

Absent: None.

Mr. Filler requested that the Board adopt a resolution directing that the Authority send a letter to the NJDEP Water Resource Management office objecting to the Water Quality Management Plan Site Specific Amendment Application for Hopewell Township as prepared by Jacobs Environmental Consulting.

Res. 79:19 on motion of Mr. Lee and seconded by Mr. Muzaffar it was moved that the Authority shall send a letter to the NJDEP Water Resource Management office objection to the Water Quality Plan Site Specified Amendment Application for Hopewell Township as prepared by Jacobs Environmental Consulting.

The above resolution was adopted on the following roll call vote:

Ayes: Messrs. Colavita, Geter, Kownacki, Lee, Muzaffar and Vereen.

Nays: None.

Absent: None.

Stephen Durst and Stephen Trumbo of Synnergy reported that Judge Jacobsen sent Synnergy back to the Hamilton Township Planning Board who then determined that they should file for approval with the Hamilton Township Zoning Board. That application is ready to be filed and they feel confident that they will be successful. However, if they are not successful they will be returning to Judge Jacobsen to pursue legal action. They also asked the Authority consider extending its contract with Synnergy from 15 to 25 years.

Mr. Filler reported:

1. Fact Finding with Local 172 is scheduled for September 24, 2019 at 10:30 AM here at the Authority's offices;

2. Pact Two Mediation is scheduled for 10/7 at 9:30 AM in Cherry Hill;
3. Ewing Creek Easement Contract was prepared by Jacobs Environmental Consulting and being reviewed by Mr. Hill and Mr. Sopronyi. The contract provides for grouting of 9,000 feet of linear pipe which is 1/3 of the sewer upstream of the Diversion Chamber;
4. The trickling filter and mast replacement project was proceeding but that two of the masts had to be returned for resizing;
5. The electrical aggregate meeting will be at ELSA on September 30, 2019;
6. The next meeting monthly progress meeting on the Lawrence Flow Study will be held on September 23, 2019 and it is anticipated that Arcadis will be updating the Board at the October Meeting;
7. The Authority would be responding to the draft Mercer County Wastewater Management Plan on or before September 25, 2019.

Res. 80:19. On motion of Mr. Colavita and seconded by Mr. Lee and unanimously carried, the meeting was adjourned at 1:00 P.M.

Secretary