

The regular meeting of the Ewing-Lawrence Sewerage Authority was held on Tuesday, October 20, 2020 at 12:00 P.M. at 600 Whitehead Road, Lawrenceville, New Jersey 08648 via teleconferencing.

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

Also attending: Allan Jacobs of Jacobs Environmental, Inc.; Vance Stephens, ELSA Administrative Officer and Jerry Mitchel and Vishal Shah of Arcadis.

Mr. Lee called the meeting to order and Mr. Filler gave the invocation. After the Pledge of Allegiance, Mr. Filler 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. 76:20. On motion of Mr. Geter and seconded by Mr. Muzaffar and unanimously carried it was moved that the September 15, 2020 minutes be approved as presented.

Res. 77:20. On motion of Mr. Colavita and seconded by Mr. Geter and unanimously carried it was moved that the September 2020 Flow, Maintenance and Connection Reports be filed.

Res. 78:20. On motion of Mr. Muzaffar and seconded by Mr. Colavita it was moved that the October 20, 2020 Schedule of Bills in the total amount of \$1,486,632.77 be accepted.

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

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

Nays: None.

Abstain: None.

There was no public participation.

Mr. Filler reported that the Regional Sludge Management Committee will be meeting quarterly and that the last meeting was held remotely on September 16, 2020 and that a tour of the facility was conducted on September 17, 2020.

Mr. Mitchell and Mr. Shah of Arcadis updated the board regarding the potential for FEMA funding for Resiliency projects and that two of our pump stations appear to fit the model, Fackler Road in Lawrence Township and Lower Ferry in Ewing Township. Mr. Filler requested that the original budget allocated of \$30,000.00 for review and assistance with filing the necessary applications be increased to \$45,000.00.

Res. 79:20. On motion of Mr. Geter and seconded by Mr. Colavita the following resolution was presented for adoption:

WHEREAS, the Ewing-Lawrence Sewerage Authority has the potential to obtain FEMA funding for resiliency projects for the upgrade of the Lower Ferry station in Ewing Township and the Fackler Road station in Lawrence Township and that the original budget of \$30,000.00 be increased to \$45,000.00 as needed to prepare and submit the applications before the November 30, 2020 deadline.

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

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

Nays: None.

Abstain: None.

Mr. Jacobs reported that he has reviewed the application submitted by Sierra Office Park. They propose construction of a 185,049 square foot building at 380 Scotch Road in Ewing Township. Mr. Jacobs recommended granting final approval subject to the comments in his letters of September 16, 2020, September 17, 2020 and October 15, 2020.

Res. 80:20. On motion of Mr. Colavita and seconded by Mr. Vereen the following resolution was presented for adoption:

WHEREAS, DBA SIERRA OFFICE PARK proposes construction of a 185,049 square foot building at 380 Scotch Road 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 final approval granted pursuant to this Resolution shall expire two (2) years 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 Jacobs Environmental Consulting's letters dated September 16, 2020; September 17, 2020 and October 15, 2020.

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

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

Nays: None.

Abstain: None.

Mr. Filler requested approval of the proposal submitted by Edward Rockel, Ph.D. and Dennis Shevlin, Ph.D. to continue the annual Assunpink Study for 2020 in the amount of \$20,000.00.

Res: 81:20. On motion of Mr. Colavita and seconded by Mr. Muzaffar the following resolution was presented for adoption:

WHEREAS, the Ewing-Lawrence Sewerage Authority has determined by Resolution 92:77 to implement the Assunpink Creek Sanitary biological and Microbiological Study Program; and

WHEREAS, the 1977 thru 2019 Studies have been completed; and

WHEREAS, the maximum amount estimated for the 2020 contract is as follows:

1. Continuation of routine annual investigation----\$20,000

WHEREAS, the Local Public Contracts Law (N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq) requires that the resolution authorizing the award of contracts for professional services without competitive bids and the contract itself must be available for public inspection;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AS FOLLOWS:

1. That the Executive Director is hereby authorized and directed to award the contract in an amount not to exceed \$20,000 with a due date for the 2020 report of March 31, 2021 to Edward G. Rockel, Ph.D and Dennis Shevlin, Ph.D.

2. This contract is awarded without competitive bidding as a "Professional Service" in accordance with 40A:11-5(1) of the Local Public Contracts Law because this work is specialized and qualitative in nature requiring expertise and extensive training in the field of environmental sciences,

which includes Ecology, Vertebrate biology, Botany-Phycology, Invertebrate ecology and Microbiology.

3. A copy of this notice will be printed once in the Trenton Times.

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

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

Nays: None.

Abstain: None.

Mr. Jacobs reported that he has reviewed the application submitted by Airport Corporate Park. They propose construction of a 129,153 square foot warehouse on Sam Weinroth Road in Ewing Township. Mr. Jacobs recommends granting Preliminary Approval based on his letter of September 24, 2020.

Res. 82:20. On motion of Mr. Colavita and seconded by Mr. Muzaffar the following resolution was presented for adoption:

WHEREAS, AIRPORT CORPORATE PARK proposes construction of a 129,153 square foot warehouse on Sam Weinroth Road 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 Jacobs Environmental Consulting's letter dated September 24, 2020.

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

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

Nays: None.

Abstain: None.

Mr. Jacobs reported that he has reviewed the application submitted by Ewing Self Storage. They propose to convert an existing 75,642 square foot building into a self storage facility at 558 West Ingham Avenue in Ewing Township. Mr. Jacobs recommends granting final approval based on his letter of October 2, 2020.

Res. 83:20. On motion of Mr. Colavita and seconded by Mr. Geter the following resolution was presented for adoption:

WHEREAS, EWING SELF STORAGE proposes to convert an existing four story, 75,642 square foot building into a self-storage facility at 558 West Ingham Avenue, 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 final approval granted pursuant to this Resolution shall expire two (2) years 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 Jacobs Environmental Consulting's letter dated October 2, 2020.

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

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

Nays: None.

Abstain: None.

Mr. Jacobs advised the Board that he would not be in attendance at the Authority's November 17, 2020 meeting.

Mr. Filler reported that bids were received on September 23, 2020 for Carbon Replacement. The bids received were as follows:

Nichem Co. Newark, NJ	\$17,500.00
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General Carbon Corp. Paterson, NJ	\$19,550.00
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Mark Colavita recommends that the contract be awarded to Nichem Co., as the lowest, responsible, responsive bidder.

Res: 84:20. On motion of Mr. Geter and seconded by Mr. Vereen it was moved that the contract for Carbon Replacement be awarded to Nichem Co., for a one year period in accordance with their bid received on September 23, 2020 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.

Abstain: None.

Mr. Filler reported that bids were received for Instrumentation and Appurtenances Inspection, Calibration, Certification, Emergency Service, Replacements and/or Additions on October 7, 2020. The only bid received was as follows:

ABB Automation, Inc.	\$1,310.00 per monthly inspection
Warminster, PA	\$655.00 per quarterly inspection
	\$150.00 labor (regular rate)
	\$150.00 labor (overtime)
	\$150.00 labor (double time)
	10% Material Handling Charge
	\$25,090.00 Estimated Annual Cost

Mark Colavita recommends that the contract be awarded to ABB Automation, Inc. as the lowest, responsible, responsive bidder.

Res: 85:20. On motion of Mr. Colavita and seconded by Mr. Muzaffar it was moved that the contract for Instrumentation and Appurtenances Inspection, Calibration, Certification, Emergency Service, Replacements and/or Additions be awarded to ABB Automation, Inc. for a one year period in accordance with their bid received on October 7, 2020 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.

Abstain: None.

Mr. Filler reported that bids were received for Maintenance, Emergency Service, Repairs and Replacements to Electrical Equipment on October 15, 2020. The bids received were as follows:

Longo Electrical-	\$12,500.00 per annual inspection
Mechanical, Inc.	\$160.00 per hr (regular)
Wharton, NJ	\$180.00 per hr (overtime)
	\$200.00 per hr (double time)
	10% Material Handling Charge
	\$32,400.00 Est. Annual Cost

Municipal Maintenance	\$20,000.00 per annual inspection
Cinnaminson, NJ	\$150.00 per hr (regular)
	\$180.00 per hr (overtime)
	\$180.00 per hr (double time)
	10% Material Handling Charge
	\$38,700.00 Est. Annual Cost

William Hill recommends that the contract be awarded to Longo Electrical-Mechanical, Inc.,

as the lowest, responsible, responsive bidder.

Res: 86:20. On motion of Mr. Geter and seconded by Mr. Colavita it was moved that the contract for Maintenance, Emergency Service, Repairs and Replacements to Electrical Equipment be awarded to Longo Electrical-Mechanical Inc., for a one year period in accordance with their bid received on October 15, 2020 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.

Abstain: None.

Mr. Filler reported that bids were received for Maintenance of Medium Voltage Electrical Equipment on October 7, 2020. The bids received were as follows:

Longo Electrical	\$ 8,500.00 per annual inspect
Wharton, NJ	165.00 per hr regular
	185.00 per hr overtime
	200.00 per hr double time
	10% Material Handling Charge
	18,125.00 Estimate Annual Cost

Reuter & Hanney, Inc	\$9,640.00 per annual inspection
Ivyland, PA	135.00 per hr regular
	201.00 per hr overtime
	230.00 per hr double time
	5% Material Handling Charge
	\$18,245.00 Estimated Annual Cost

Scott Testing	\$9,810.00 per annual inspection
Hamilton, NJ	143.00 per hr regular
	170.00 per hr overtime
	242.00 per hr double time
	7% Material Handling Charge
	\$18,660.00 Estimated Annual Cost

William Hill recommends that the contract be awarded to Longo Electrical-Mechanical, Inc., as the lowest, responsible, responsive bidder.

Res: 87:20. On motion of Mr. Muzaffar and seconded by Mr. Vereen it was moved that the contract for Maintenance of Medium Voltage Electrical Equipment be awarded to Longo Electrical-Mechanical Inc., for a one year period in accordance with their bid received on October 7, 2020 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.

Abstain: None.

Mr. Filler advised the Board of the following:

1. Synnergy's application for Final Approval is scheduled to be on the Agenda at the Zoning Board's October 27, 2020 meeting;
2. That the Sypek Center property in Hopewell Township had requested a Will Serve letter for a proposed expansion of its facilities. It was noted that the property discharges to Ewing and that they would be subject to connection and capacity fees to be determined;
3. An Engineering Committee meeting was held at which time the FEMA application was discussed as well as the expansion of the Authority's Inflow and Infiltration program increasing the Authority's staffing of the program;
4. The meeting with CWA Local 1032 to be held on October 1, 2020 was cancelled the day of by CWA Local 1032. The meeting was rescheduled for October 14, 2020 and attended by Mr. Filler, Charles Geter and Pasquale Colavita on behalf of ELSA's Personnel Committee, Vance Stephens, ELSA Administrative Officer, Leslie London, Esq., of McManimon and Scotland, Esqs., Antwon Ellis, Shop Seward and representatives of CWA Local 1032. CWA Local 1032 requested that the negotiations recommence which proposal was rejected by the Authority. No further communication has been received.
5. The Authority staff is continuing to prepare for the 2019 Audit and the preparation of the 2021 Authority budget.
6. That the September minutes contained a transposition of numbers in the status update provided for the Denow Road and Lawrence Manhole projects. It was recommended by Chairman Lee that the corrections be made and that the minutes be represented with corrections at the November meeting.

Res. 88:20 on motion of Mr. Colavita and seconded by Mr. Geter and unanimously carried, the meeting was adjourned at 12:50 pm.

Submitted by Susan Dorio for the  
Ewing Lawrence Sewerage Authority