

The regular meeting of the Ewing-Lawrence Sewerage Authority was held on Tuesday, January 17, 2023, at 12:00 P.M. at 600 Whitehead Road, Lawrenceville, New Jersey 08648.

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

Also attending: Jim Burd, a resident of Hopewell Township and Allan Jacobs of Jacobs Environmental Consulting.

Mr. Muzaffar called the meeting to order and Mr. Filler gave the invocation. After the Pledge of Allegiance, Mr. Muzaffar 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. 1:23. On motion of Mr. Geter and seconded by Mr. Vereen and unanimously carried the public hearing on the Authority's 2023 Budget was opened.

There were no public comments.

Res. 2:23. On motion of Mr. Geter and seconded by Mr. Kownacki and unanimously carried the public hearing on the Authority's 2023 Budget was closed.

Res. 3:23. On motion of Mr. Kownacki and seconded by Mr. Lee the following resolution was presented for adoption:

2022 BUDGET RESOLUTION

Ewing Lawrence Sewerage Authority

FISCALYEAR: FROM: January 1, 2023 TO: DECEMBER 31, 2023

WHEREAS, the Annual Budget and Capital Budget for the Ewing Lawrence Sewerage Authority for the fiscal year beginning, January 1, 2023 and ending, December 31, 2023 has been presented for approval before the governing body of the Ewing Lawrence Sewerage Authority at its open public meeting of January 17, 2023; and

WHEREAS, the Annual Budget as introduced reflects Total Revenues of \$15,980,128 Total Appropriations, including any Accumulated Deficit if any, of \$16,680,128 and Total Unrestricted Net Position utilized of \$700,000.00; and

WHEREAS, the Capital Budget as introduced reflects Total Capital Appropriations of \$5,990,000 and Total Unrestricted Net Assets planned to be utilized as funding thereof, of \$2,465,000; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the governing body of the Ewing Lawrence Sewerage Authority, at an open public meeting held on January 17, 2023 that the Annual Budget

and the Capital Budget/Program of the Ewing Lawrence Sewerage Authority for the fiscal year beginning, January 1, 2023 and ending, December 31, 2023 is hereby approved and shall constitute appropriations for the purposes stated; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the anticipated revenues as reflected in the Annual Budget are of sufficient amount to meet all proposed expenditures/expenses and all covenants, terms and provisions as stipulated in the said Authority's outstanding debt obligations, capital lease arrangements, service contracts, and other pledged agreements; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the governing body of the Ewing Lawrence Sewerage Authority will consider the Annual Budget and Capital Budget/Program for adoption on March 21, 2023;

The above resolution was adopted on the following roll call vote:
Ayes: Messrs. Geter, Kownacki, Lee, Muzaffar, Ryan and Vereen.
Nays: None.
Absent: None.

Res. 4:23. On motion of Mr. Lee and seconded by Mr. Kownacki and unanimously carried it was moved that the December 20, 2022 Minutes be approved.

Res. 5:23. On motion of Mr. Vereen and seconded by Mr. Geter and unanimously carried it was moved that the December Flow, Maintenance and Connection Reports be filed.

Res. 6:23. On motion of Mr. Geter and seconded by Mr. Kownacki and unanimously carried it was moved that the January 17, 2023, Schedule of Bills in the total amount of \$1,039,256.29 be accepted.

Mr. Jim Burd, a resident of Hopewell Township inquired if there had been any change to the Sewer Service Area that would include the development of Deer Valley.

Mr. Filler advised that the Regional Sludge Management Committee had met on December 21, 2022 via zoom.

Mr. Filler updated the board as follows:

1. Nitrates- the latest 45-day extension granted would expire on February 26, 2023.
2. The Authority is expecting a revised lease agreement from the D & R Canal Commission.
3. Synnergy – The new contract had been reviewed and the Authority is awaiting a new agreement with the agreed upon changes. Mr. Muzaffar reminded the members that the County had previously requested some site improvements to the project. Their inclusion in the new agreement will be reviewed.
4. The Personnel Committee attended a Grievance Hearing on January 10, 2023.
5. The Finance Committee had met to review the Authority's Budget prior to its presentation today.
6. The Authority is developing a new RFP for Inspection Services in anticipation of the upcoming Reorganization meeting.

Res. 7:23. On motion of Mr. Lee and seconded by Mr. Vereen and unanimously carried, the meeting was adjourned at 1:05 PM.

Submitted by Susan Dorio for the
Ewing Lawrence Sewerage Authority