

The regular meeting of the Ewing-Lawrence Sewerage Authority was held on Tuesday, April 18, 2023, at 12:20 P.M. at 600 Whitehead Road, Lawrenceville, New Jersey 08648.

Present: Messrs. Geter, Kownacki, Lee, Muzaffar and Vereen; S. Robert Filler, Executive Director, Christopher Gianotto, ELSA Maintenance Supervisor; David Sopronyi and W. Barry Rank, Esquire.

Absent and excused: Mr. Ryan

Also attending: Allan Jacobs of Jacobs Environmental Consulting, Dennis Yoder of Remington Vernick Engineers.

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. 38:23. On motion of Mr. Geter and seconded by Mr. Muzaffar and unanimously carried it was moved that the March 21, 2023, Minutes be approved.

Res. 39:23. On motion of Mr. Muzaffar and seconded by Mr. Kownacki and unanimously carried it was moved that the March Flow, Maintenance and Connection Reports be filed.

Res. 40:23. On motion of Mr. Lee and seconded by Mr. Muzaffar and unanimously carried it was moved that the April 18, 2023, Schedule of Bills in the total amount of \$877,125.49 be accepted.

Mr. Filler advised that the Regional Sludge Management Committee would be meeting on June 21, 2023 in person and reiterated that tours are available and that the facility was producing electric. The Board requested that Mr. Filler obtain dates for a tour.

Mr. Jacobs advised that he had reviewed the application for preliminary approval submitted by Ewing Warehouse Development to construct a 285,152 square foot warehouse and three light industrial buildings, each having 20,000 square feet, on the North side of Parkway Avenue in Ewing Township at the former Naval Air Turbine Test Station.

Res. 41:23. On motion of Mr. Muzaffar and seconded by Mr. Lee and unanimously carried the following Resolution was presented for adoption:

WHEREAS, EWING WAREHOUSE DEVELOPMENT proposes to construct a 285,152 square foot warehouse and three light industrial buildings, each having 20,000 square feet, on the North side of Parkway Avenue in Ewing Township at the former Naval Air Turbine Test Station; 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 April 10, 2023.

Mr. Rank requested that authority staff evaluate an abandoned sewer line on an neighboring lot with a view toward vacating an existing easement on that property.

Mr. Jacobs advised that he had reviewed the application for Final Approval submitted on behalf of 21 Harold Avenue to install an on-site ejection station and a PVC force main to service the existing house in Ewing Township to replace a failed septic system.

Res. 42:23. On motion of Mr. Lee and seconded by Mr. Muzaffar and unanimously carried the following Resolution was presented for adoption:

WHEREAS, 21 HAROLD AVENUE proposes to install an on-site ejection station and a PVC force main to service the existing house at 21 Harold Avenue in Ewing Township to replace a failed septic system; 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 201 Agency 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 March 28, 2023.

Mr. Jacobs advised that he had review the application for Final Approval submitted by the Presbyterian Church of Lawrenceville for construction of two separate building additions totaling 2,760 square feet.

Res. 43:23. On motion of Mr. Muzaffar and seconded by Mr. Geter and unanimously carried, the following Resolution was presented for adoption:

WHEREAS, PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF LAWRENCEVILLE proposes to construct two separate building additions totaling 2,760 square feet. The additions will join the existing 19,502 square feet of existing religious, clerical and residential structures located at 2688 Main Street in Lawrence 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 201 Agency 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 April 13, 2023.

Mr. Yoder presented the Change of Scope request to include Gravity Sewer submitted by Remington Vernick Engineers and its need for the Sullivan Way Pump Station and Force Main Replacement Project.

Res. 44:23. On motion of Mr. Muzaffar and seconded by Mr. Kownacki and unanimously carried it was moved that the Change of Scope Request submitted by Remington Vernick Engineers to include Gravity Sewer for the Sullivan Way Pump Station and Force Main Replacement Project in an amount not to exceed \$143,330.00 is approved and without exception no further Change Order requests would be approved in the future.

Mr. Yoder thanked the Board for their time and their approval of this request.

Mr. Filler presented the proposal submitted by Jacobs Environmental Consulting, LLC for the scope-of-work and budget for cleaning, root cutting, video inspection, grouting, manhole rehabilitation and CIPP lining in the Scotch, Upper Ferry and Lower Ferry Roads and adjacent sewer areas in a total amount of \$23,000.00.

Res. 45:23. On motion of Mr. Muzaffar and seconded by Mr. Kownacki and unanimously carried the proposal submitted by Jacobs Environmental Consulting, LLC

for the scope-of-work and budget for cleaning, root cutting, video inspection, grouting, manhole rehabilitation and CIPP lining in the Scotch, Upper Ferry, Lower Ferry Roads and adjacent sewer areas in a total amount of \$23,000.00 is approved.

Mr. Filler updated the board as follows:

1. There is a USEPA inspection scheduled for May 9, 2023;
2. The Authority's NJPDES Permit renewal was in the process of being submitted;
3. There is a meeting upcoming with Ewing Township representatives to discuss the Sullivan Way project. Mr. Yoder will also be attending;
4. The D&R Canal 20 year lease was being finalized;
5. On March 23, 2023 Authority supervisory staff attended Drug & Alcohol Recognition Training regarding the changes the legalization of marijuana has presented;
6. On May 17, 2023 Authority staff will be attending "Sensitivity Training" regarding Discrimination/Harassment in the workplace given by Kathleen M. Connelly, Esq., partner in the law firm of Lindabury, McCormick, Estabrook and Cooper, P.C., the Co-Chair of the Labor and Employment Group;
7. The Agreement with Synnergy is still pending;
8. Nitrates is ongoing;
9. There is a meeting on April 18, 2023 to discuss the Deer Valley litigation.

Res. 46:23. On motion of Mr. Lee and seconded by Mr. Kownacki and unanimously carried, the meeting was adjourned at 1:10 PM.

Submitted by Susan Dorio for the
Ewing Lawrence Sewerage Authority

