

The regular meeting of the Ewing-Lawrence Sewerage Authority was held on Tuesday, March 21, 2023, at 12:20 P.M. at 600 Whitehead Road, Lawrenceville, New Jersey 08648.

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

Absent and excused: Mr. Geter

Also attending: Allan Jacobs of Jacobs Environmental Consulting, Dennis Yoder of Remington Vernick Engineers and Jerry Mitchell and Vishal Shah of Arcadis, US.

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. 32:23. On motion of Mr. Ryan and seconded by Mr. Muzaffar and unanimously carried it was moved that the February 21, 2023 Regular and Reorganization Minutes be approved.

Res. 33:23. On motion of Mr. Ryan and seconded by Mr. Lee and unanimously carried it was moved that the February Flow, Maintenance and Connection Reports be filed.

Res. 34:23. On motion of Mr. Lee and seconded by Mr. Ryan and unanimously carried it was moved that the March 21, 2023, Schedule of Bills in the total amount of \$895,774.02 be accepted.

Mr. Filler advised that the Regional Sludge Management Committee would be meeting on March 15, 2023 in person and further that at the last meeting the Committee did not reduce the Letter of Credit as requested by Trenton Biogas but moving forward would be accepting a Bond in lieu of the Letter of Credit.

Mr. Yoder presented the Change Order Request submitted on behalf of Remington Vernick Engineers and its need for the Sullivan Way Pump Station and Force Main Replacement Project. After deliberations the Board voted to table this item until the April meeting and that Mr. Filler schedule an Engineering Committee meeting with Mr. Jacobs, as drafting engineer for the RFP and authority Staff.

Res. 35:23 on motion of Mr. Ryan and seconded by Mr. Muzaffar and unanimously carried it was moved that the Change Order Request of Remington Vernick Engineers be tabled and placed on the Authority's April, 2023 meeting agenda.

Mr. Jacobs Advised that he had reviewed the application for final approval submitted by Landmark Realty Group, NJ, LLC to construct a two-story office and warehouse building located at 102 Walters Avenue in Ewing, The office will have 2,406 square feet and the warehouse will have 11,757 square feet and will be used to distribute pet products; and

Res. 36:23. On motion of Mr. Lee and seconded by Mr. Muzaffar and unanimously carried it was moved that the following Resolution be presented for adoption;

WHEREAS, LANDMARK REALTY GROUP proposes construction of a two-story office and warehouse building located at 102 Walters 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 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 improvement, capacity, 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 20, 2023.

Mr. Filler introduced Jerry Mitchell and Vishal Shah of Arcadis, US who provided the Board with the announcement that the New Jersey Office of Emergency Management has available HMGP Disaster funds and that the Authority's application was selected for funding allocation based on the FEMA determination of eligibility under BRIC 21. The total funding preliminarily allocated is \$11,092,000 of which 95.42% percent would be federally funded and 4.58% would be the non-federal

share. This will allow the Authority to proceed with the flood mitigation of the Fackler and Lower Ferry Road Pump Stations.

The Authority thanked Mr. Mitchell and Mr. Shah for their continued efforts on behalf of the Authority.

Mr. Filler updated the board as follows:

1. There is a pre-construction meeting scheduled for March 31, 2023 for the Collections at Hopewell;
2. Gable Associates will be opening bids on March 22, 2023 applicable to 4<sup>th</sup> Street;
3. Synnergy/NJR – is moving forward.
4. The Authority would be identifying the I & I Inspection areas to be repaired that will be accepting flows from manholes 105 and 301.

Mr. Rank advised the Board that Steven Trumbo of Synnergy advised that their attorney, Jonathan King had been terminated and that he will be following up to determine if that information was correct.

Mr. Rank further advised that the application submitted for 33-37 Dover Avenue in Ewing Township was pending receipt of Ewing Township Planning Board Approval. The Authority will be presenting the project to the Board after receipt of same.

Lastly, Mr. Rank advised that he had received an extension of time to provide an expert report on behalf of the Authority for the Deer Valley litigation.

Res. 37:23. On motion of Mr. Lee and seconded by Mr. Ryan and unanimously carried, the meeting was adjourned at 1:15 PM.

Submitted by Susan Dorio for the  
Ewing Lawrence Sewerage Authority

