

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY UTILITIES AUTHORITY – THURSDAY– MARCH 23, 2017 – 4:00 P.M.

A Regular Meeting of the Middlesex County Utilities Authority was held at the Authority Board Room, Main Street Extension, Sayreville, New Jersey on Thursday, March 23, 2017.

Notices of the meeting were mailed to the three counties and the News Media - The Courier News, The Star Ledger and The Home News Tribune in compliance with the Open Public Meetings Law and New Jersey Statutes.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Ted Light at 4:00 P.M.

Present were: Chairman Ted Light; Vice Chairman John Wiley; Commissioners: Jerome Convery, Antonio Cruz, Robert Diehl, Allan Jacobs, Joseph Juliano, Raymond Murray and James Zullo.

Absent was: Commissioners Linda Carter.

Also present were: Executive Director, Richard L. Fitamant; William Northgrave, Esq., Construction/General Counsel; Dan Tanzi, Wastewater Division Manager and Karen Sissick, Comptroller.

REGULAR MEETING

The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Chairman Light welcomed William Northgrave, MUA's new Construction/General Counsel.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion for approval of the Minutes of the Organization and Regular Meeting of Thursday, February 23, 2017 was made by Vice Chairman Wiley, seconded by Commissioner Murray and carried.

PUBLIC PORTION ON RESOLUTIONS

There were no comments from the public on any of the Resolutions

RESOLUTIONS

Resolution No. A-3-17-1-R

Pretreatment Permit Action Nos. 07178, 18059, 04196, 05070, 18137, 28099, 24195, 07108, 20161 and 02184

Resolution No. A-3-17-2-R

Annual Appointment of Authority Officers/Executives – 2017

Resolution No. SW/WW-3-17-4-R

Bid Award – Contract 17-1-1(AC) – Prequalified Security Guard Service 2017-2019 – DMS Systems, Inc. – Not to Exceed \$277,263.00

Mr. Fitamant reported that this is a two year Contract award to DMS Systems for security services at the Wastewater Treatment Plant and the Middlesex County Landfill after an extensive process sanctioned by the NJDCA, including the prequalification process. One bid was received from DMS Systems and the rates for year one are unchanged from last year.

Resolution No. WW-3-17-5-R

Contract Bid Award – Contract 16-6-1(AC) – Sludge Management Odor Control and Maintenance – Cothery Construction Company, Inc. – Not to Exceed \$4,075,495.00

Mr. Fitamant reported that this is for a Contract Bid Award for Sludge Management and Odor Control. Two (2) bids were received with the low bid received from Cothery Construction Company.

Resolution No. WW-3-17-6-R

Contract Bid Award – Contract 16-2-3(CTP) – Sodium Hypochlorite Tank Replacement – Cothery Construction Company, Inc. – Not to Exceed \$249,280.00

Mr. Fitamant reported that this resolution is a Bid award for Sodium Hypochlorite Tank Replacement involving two tanks that have deteriorated over time. Two (2) bids were received with the low bid from Cothery Construction Company.

Resolution No. WW-3-17-7-R

Authorization to Rebid Contract – Contract 17-3-2(CTP)/Supply & Delivery of Catalog Purchased Health & Safety Supplies 2017-2018

Resolution No. WW-3-17-8-R

Middlesex County Utilities Authority Resolution Approving Settlement and Warranty Agreement Between Middlesex County Utilities Authority and BUSS-SMS-Canzler (“BUSS”)

Mr. Fitamant reported that this resolution is for a Settlement Agreement between MCUA and BUSS, the manufacturer of the MCUA’s dryers that are used for processing of sludge. These dryers were installed in 2005 and experienced a failure in 2013 which was beyond the warranty. MCUA entered into negotiations with BUSS after it was determined that the Rotor needed to be repaired. A settlement was reached based on a new rotor cost of \$435,508.53, which would be equally shared by BUSS and the MCUA.

Resolution No. SW-3-17-9-R

Contract Award – Contract No. 17-2SW – Purchase of One (1) Track Type Bulldozer for the Middlesex County Landfill – Foley, Inc. – Not to Exceed \$588,384.00

Mr. Fitamant explained that this resolution is for the purchase of a new bulldozer at a net cost of \$588,384.00, which includes the base price, maintenance and credit from trade in.

Resolution No. SW-3-17-10-R

Change Order No. 7 – Contract No. 11-14SW(Rebid) Purchase and Installation of a Landfill Gas Engine and Associated Equipment at the Middlesex County Landfill – Northeast Remsco Construction, Inc. – Not to Exceed \$51,450.00

Mr. Fitamant reported that Change Order No. 7 to the Landfill Gas Engine contract is for the installation of transformers and other work and includes a 308 day time extension.

The above resolutions were presented and moved for adoption by Vice Chairman Wiley. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Zullo and the following members voted Aye:

Chairman Light; Vice Chairman Wiley; Commissioners: Convery, Cruz, Diehl, Jacobs, Juliano, Murray and Zullo.

Nays: None

(See Appendix Nos. 1, 2 and 4-10)

Resolution No. A-3-17-3-R

Resolution of the Middlesex County Utilities Authority Authorizing Contract for Administrative and Management Consulting Services

Mr. Fitamant reported that this Resolution was discussed at the Engineering Committee Meeting. The County of Middlesex is looking to have Autonomous agencies be more aligned with the County. The Mooring's Group, LLC. was selected for a 9 month period at a cost of \$60,000.00.

Commissioner Murray expressed his concern with this appointment since there is not a clear description of services that The Mooring's Group will be providing and would like to exclude this Resolution from the consent agenda.

Mr. Fitamant explained that the final contract to be negotiated would have the full scope of services included. Based on review of the Engineering Committee, the resolution will be amended to require that the final contract be "subject to approval of the Executive Director and General Counsel."

This resolution was presented and moved for adoption as amended by Vice Chairman Wiley. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Juliano and the following members voted Aye:

Chairman Light; Vice Chairman Wiley; Commissioners: Convery, Cruz, Diehl, Jacobs, Juliano and Zullo.

Nays: Commissioner Murray

(See Appendix No 3)

PUBLIC

There were no members from the Public that wished to address the Board.

A copy of the Wastewater Division and Solid Waste Division Bill Lists were distributed to the Commissioners.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Commissioner Murray reported that an Engineering Committee meeting took place and discussions were held regarding a Change Order for Sayreville Pump Station contract that is necessary due to JCP&L Requirements. Action regarding this change order will be considered at the April Board meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

Commissioner Zullo questioned where the MCUA stands with FEMA reimbursements.

Mr. Fitamant explained that going forward, the construction costs incurred will be paid through the NJEIT and the costs eligible for FEMA Grants will be processed by the New Jersey Office of Emergency Management. No cash flow issues are anticipated.

Karen Sissick also commented that FEMA recently approved an appeal for \$350,000 for the MCUA.


Commissioner Convery extended well wishes to Dan Tanzi after serving the Authority for the past 27 years and is retiring at the end of this month.

Chairman Light congratulated Mr. Tanzi and appreciates all he has done for the Authority.

Mr. Tanzi stated that this has been "One heck of an experience and never a dull moment". Mr. Tanzi outlined a few events such as the 102" Force Main Break, building of the tunnel under ground from Sayreville to Edison and Hurricane Sandy. Mr. Tanzi stated that every day was a learning experience and thanked the entire Board.

There being no further business, Chairman Light called for a motion to adjourn. Motion was made by Commissioner Convery at 4:40 p.m., seconded by Commissioner Murray and carried.

I hereby certify that these minutes are a true and accurate summary of that which transpired at the MCUA board meeting of March 23, 2017 at which I was present.


Judith A. McCabe