

MINUTES OF THE PUBLIC HEARING AND REGULAR MEETING OF THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY UTILITIES AUTHORITY —SEPTEMBER 28, 2021 — 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 Tuesday, September 28, 2021.

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

The meeting was called to order at 4:00 P.M.

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

Absent: Commissioners: Robert Diehl, Rebecca Williams

Also, present were: Executive Director, Joseph Cryan, Leslie London, Esq. (MS&B) and Karen Sissick, Comptroller.

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REGULAR MEETING

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APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion for approval of the Minutes of the Regular Meeting Tuesday, August 24, 2021, was made by Vice Chairman Light, seconded by Commissioner Murray, and carried.

Abstain: Commissioner Zullo.

Tropical Storm IDA Response Presentation

Mr. John Orechio, MCUA Construction Manager presented a slide show detailing the events of Tropical Storm IDA and the MCUA's response.

Mr. Cryan recognized many staff members that were present at today's meeting and congratulated them on a job well done. The MCUA had the highest MGD recorded, which meant decisions on the spot were to be made to keep the facilities running. Mr. Cryan also acknowledged Landfill staff for their remarkable accomplishments after receiving 13 inches of rain over a 25-day period. Job well done by all.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Finance Committee

Vice Chairman Wiley reported that a Finance Committee meeting was held on Tuesday, September 21, 2021, to discuss the Audit Report and Capital Projects.

Engineering Committee

Chairman Wiley reported that the \$12 million contract for Northeast Remsco for emergency repairs was discussed, along with Green Brook Pump Station contract awarded to R3M. Also discussed were contract awards and change orders on today's agenda.

PRESENTATION

Mr. Scott Clelland from Wiss and Company gave a brief overview of the 2020 Audit Report starting that there were no findings or recommendations that needed correction.

PUBLIC PORTION ON RESOLUTIONS

Chairman Wiley asked if anyone from the Public wished to address the board and acknowledged Charles Kratovil. Mr. Kratovil questioned Resolution No. WW-9-21-15-R questioning the relationship with Bayshore and Resolution No. WW-9-21-21-R?

Mr. Paul Clark, SWD Manager responded stating that this is the annual bid for cover material at the landfill. Bayshore was the low bidder for this contract.

Ms. London explained that the Authority procures 3rd party natural gas to go out to bid for the sludge dryers. Gable Associated will perform analysis regarding the cost savings to the Authority.

The Executive Director gave a brief summary on each of the Resolutions listed below:

RESOLUTIONS

Resolution No. A-9-21-1-R – Approval of 2020 Annual Audit – Wastewater and Solid Waste Divisions

Resolution No. A-9-21-2-R - Pretreatment Permit Action Nos. 14073 and 24227

Resolution No. WW-9-21-3-R – Authorizing Contract Award for Contract 21-8-4(AC) – MCUA SCADA and Network Security Enhancement-AutoMatech – Not to Exceed \$411,380.58

Resolution No. WW-9-21-4-R – Authorizing Contract Award for Contract 21-8-2(AC) – Supply and Delivery of Seepex Pump Spare Parts 2022-2023 – Reiner Pump Systems - Not to Exceed \$373,289.00

Resolution No. WW-9-21-5-R – Authorizing Emergency Contract 21-9-4(GBPS) for Repairs to the Green Brook Pump Station for Damage Caused by Tropical Storm IDA – Northeast Remsco Construction – Not to Exceed \$12,000,000.00

Resolution No. WW-9-21-6 – Authorizing Amendment No. 1 to the Agreement with R3M Engineering, Inc., for Professional Engineering Design Bid Services - Green Brook Pump Station Bar Screen Replacement - Not to Exceed \$750,000.00

Resolution No. WW-9-21-7-R – Approving Amendment of Contract 21-3-1(CTP) with Stauffer Manufacturing Co., Inc. D/B/A Stauffer Glove & Safety, Airgas USA, LLC. And A&M Industrial, Inc. for Catalog Purchase Health & Safety Supplies 2021-2023 – Additional Funding of \$100,000

Resolution No. SW/WW-9-21-8-R – Authorizing the Award of a Contract Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 to Data Management International, Inc. for the Scanning Services – Not to Exceed \$44,000.00

Resolution No. WW-9-21-9-R – Authorizing Change Order No. 1 to Contract 16-3-1(CTP) / Process Water Strainers Replacement - BR Welding, Inc.- Not to Exceed \$54,461.69

Resolution No. SW/WW-9-21-10-R – Authorizing an Increase of the Authorized Funding of Solid Waste Division and Wastewater Division Purchase Orders Under New Jersey State Contract T0983/Environmental Testing Instruments

Resolution No. WW-9-21-11-R – Authorizing Change Order No. 2 to Contract 19-5-4(SM) Maintenance of Sludge Processors – Cothery Construction Company, Inc. – 6 Month Time Extension

Resolution No. WW-9-21-12-R – Authorizing Contract Award for Contract 21-9-1(CTP) Allen-Bradley Equipment Maintenance Service and Parts Procurement 2021-2023 – Turtle & Hughes – Not to Exceed \$842,492.00

Resolution No. WW-9-21-13-R - Resolution Authorizing the Award of a Contract Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 to Pride Landscaping for the Procurement of Landscaping Supplies – Not to Exceed \$23,000.00

Resolution No. WW-9-21-14-R – Resolution Authorizing Amendment No. 5 to the Operating Gas Lease and Easement Agreement with Industrial Land Reclaiming, Incorporated (“ILR”) with Respect to the ILR Landfill – Not to Exceed \$50,000.00

Resolution No. SW-9-21-15-R – Authorizing Contract Award for Contract No. 21-7SW – Furnish and Deliver Aggregates at the Middlesex County Landfill – Stavola Construction Materials, Inc. – Not to Exceed \$1,375,850.00 (Bid Item Nos. 1 and 3) – Bayshore Recycling Corp. – Not to Exceed \$703,750.00 (Bid Item Nos. 2 and 4)

Resolution No. SW-9-21-16-R – Authorizing Contract Award for Contract No. 21-8SW – Heavy Equipment Rental and Operation at the Middlesex County Landfill – Barbella Construction Services, LLC – Not to Exceed \$313,000.00 (Year One)

Resolution No. SW-9-21-17-R – Authorizing Execution of Tier One Agreements for Solid Waste Disposal Services with Various Municipalities

Resolution No. SW-9-21-18-R – Authorizing Execution of Agreements for Tier One Solid Waste Disposal Services with Private Haulers and Generators

Resolution No. SW-9-21-19-R – Authorizing Execution of Agreements for Tier Two Agreements Solid Waste Disposal Services with Private Haulers and Generators

Resolution No. A-9-21-20-R – Resolution Authorizing Negotiation and Execution of a Shared Services Agreement Between the Middlesex County Utilities Authority and the County of Middlesex

Resolution No. WW-9-21-21-R – Resolution Approving Procedure for Contract No. 21-9-5(CTP) Purchase of Non-Tariff Natural Gas Supply Service

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

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

(See Appendix Nos. 1-21)

Motion to approve the Solid Waste Division and Wastewater Division Payment of Bills was moved by Vice Chairman Light. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Murray and the following members voted Aye:

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

Nays: None

PUBLIC

Chairman Wiley asked if anyone from the Public wished to address the board and recognized Charles Kratovil.

Mr. Kratovil thanked the MCUA for their hard work during the storm and appreciates the presentation and requested any type of press releases going out in the future to be emailed to him as well.

Mr. Kratovil asked for confirmation that the audio recordings of the meeting are posted on the MCUA's website. Mr. Cryan confirmed that the recordings are on the website.

Mr. Kratovil then questioned the impact for the MCUA if Bound Brook privatizes their facility.

Mr. Cryan stated that the MCUA is not part of Bound Brook's decision for privatization.

Mr. Kratovil spoke about Competitive Power Ventures questioning how that arrangement for the new plant works with the MCUA.

Mr. Cryan explained that the MCUA does not have a contract for the new power plant for CPV at this point in time.

Mr. Kratovil was curious as to the entity in charge of reviewing the existing agreement between MCUA and CPV.

Chairman Wiley stated Wilentz, Goldman and Spitzer would have been the entity that reviewed the agreement.

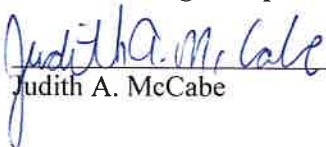
EXECUTIVE SESSION

A motion was made by Commissioner Murray to enter Executive Session, seconded by Commissioner Cruz and carried.

Upon completion of the Executive Session, Ms. London reported that during Executive Session, Capital Projects were discussed. No action will be taken at this time.

There being no further business, Chairman Wiley called for a motion to adjourn. Motion was made by Commissioner Convery at 5:45 p.m., seconded by Commissioner Zullo and carried.

I hereby certify that these minutes are a true and accurate summary of that which transpired at the MCUA board meeting of September 28, 2021, at which I was present.


Judith A. McCabe