

A Regular Meeting of the Members of the Pompton Lakes Borough Municipal Utilities Authority was held via telephone conference call at 2000 Lincoln Avenue, Pompton Lakes, New Jersey on August 16, 2021.

In accordance with the New Jersey Open Public Meetings Act, adequate notice of this meeting was provided. Letters to North Jersey Herald News, Suburban Trends, and the Administrator of Pompton Lakes, dated February 17, 2021, gave notice that the Regular Meeting of the Authority would be held at 6:00pm Monday, August 16, 2021. The meeting was held at 2000 Lincoln Avenue, Pompton Lakes, New Jersey. A notice stipulating the time and date of this meeting was also posted in a public place, to wit: 2000 Lincoln Avenue, Pompton Lakes, New Jersey.

Roll Call was as follows:

PRESENT: Kevin Carroll  
Neal Galletta  
Michael Longo  
Lloyd Kent  
John Wegele (Superintendent)  
Jeffrey M. Kassover (Attorney)  
Jennifer Polidori Council Liaison

ABSENT: Tim Troast

**UPON MOTION** duly made by Mr. Kent and seconded by Mr. Longo, and upon roll call vote the minutes from the Regular Meeting July 19, 2021, were accepted.

**Vote:**

Ayes	Carroll, Galletta, Longo, Kent
Nays:	None
Absent:	Troast
Abstain:	None

Chairman Carroll noted that no one was present for the Public Portion of the meeting.

**FINANCIAL OPERATIONS:**

Mr. Galletta presented the following bills for approval:

Operating/Vouchers for August	\$ 81,040.74
Additional Expenses for July	\$ 1,120.52
Hospitalization for August	\$ 25,319.06
Operating Payroll/Gross July	\$ 119,554.47

Social Security for July	\$ 7,055.83
Meter Deposit Refund for July	<u>\$ 405.00</u>
TOTAL	\$234,495.62

**CAPITAL:**

Jeffrey M. Kassover	\$337.50
Alaimo Group	\$16,000.00
Alaimo Group	\$17,076.36
Alaimo Group	<u>\$3,412.50</u>
TOTAL	\$36,826.36

Mr. Galletta noted the 9-month CD matured on July 27, 2021 and has been moved to a 13 month CD.

**UPON MOTION** duly made by Mr. Galletta and seconded by Mr. Longo, and upon roll call vote it was certified that the funds are available and budgeted to pay these expenses was accepted.

**Vote:**

Ayes	Carroll, Galletta, Longo, Kent
Nays:	None
Absent:	Troast

**WATER OPERATIONS:**

Mr. Kent submitted Mr. Wegele's Water Report and reported that the Authority completed and electronically submitted the Tri-Annual Lead & Copper Monitoring Results to the NJDEP, Bureau of Water System Engineering as required. All 30 of the Lead & Copper sampling Program analysis were non-detect or well below the mcl. Mr. Kent also noted water pumping last July had a significant jump from the prior months. However, this year to date, pumping is about equal from last year.

**UPON MOTION** duly made by Chairman Carroll and seconded by Mr. Longo, and upon roll call vote the Water Report was accepted.

**Vote:**

Ayes	Carroll, Galletta, Longo, Kent
Nays:	None
Absent:	Troast

**WASTEWATER OPERATIONS:**

Mr. Longo submitted Mr. Wegele’s monthly Wastewater Operations report and inquired to Mr. Wegele whether he was aware of a sewage pumping station located within Edgewater Terrace apartment complex. Mr. Wegele noted he was unaware of the pumping station within the complex due to it being located on private property. Mr. Longo stated there was the presence of heavy grease within the wet well. Mr. Wegele advised the commissioner that he will attempt to inspect the pumping station if access is permitted. Mr. Kassover stated if needed he will draft a letter advising the complex the Authority would like the opportunity to inspect the properties pumping station. There was some additional discussion on the pumping station.

**UPON MOTION** duly made by Mr. Chairman Carroll and seconded by Mr. Kent, and upon roll call vote the Wastewater Report was accepted.

**Vote:**

Ayes	Carroll, Galletta, Longo, Kent
Nays:	None
Absent:	Troast

**SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT:**

Mr. Wegele reported progress.

**ATTORNEY’S REPORT:**

Mr. Kassover reported that he finalized the contract for the Lower Twin Lakes Dam Repair. Mr. Kassover received the contract back signed by the successful bidder CMS Construction, LLC along with their performance bond, and certificate of insurance. Mr. Kassover also reported he has received the signed contract back from R-D Trucking, Inc., the successful bidder for the two-year contract for Sludge Sanitary Sewer Removal. Mr. Kassover stated R-D Trucking, Inc. pricing remained the same from the last two-year contract. He also received their performance bond and certificate of insurance. Mr. Kassover noted he had the Notice to Bidders published on August 13, 2021, for the Furnishing and Delivering Liquid Aluminum Sulfate two-year contract. Bid opening date will be Thursday, September 16, 2021, at 10:00am located at the Authority’s Administration Building. Mr. Kassover also noted he prepared a resolution that he read for the record regarding the Authority’s Rules and Regulations that have been updated and revised.

**UPON MOTION** duly made by Mr. Chairman Carroll and seconded by Mr. Galletta, and upon roll call vote the updated and revised Rules and Regulations was accepted.

**Vote:**

Ayes	Carroll, Galletta, Longo, Kent
Nays:	None
Absent:	Troast

**COUCIL LIAISON:**

Councilwoman Jennifer Polidori inquired about the water process at the sports fields. Mr. Kent advised her he will be contacting Kevin Boyle and the Mayor to make sure everyone agrees on the procedure. The procedure outlined in Mr. Wegele’s memo.

**UPON MOTION** duly made by Chairman Carroll and seconded by Mr. Kent, and upon roll call vote the Attorney’s and Council Liaison reports were accepted.

**Vote:**

Ayes	Carroll, Galletta, Longo, Kent
Nays:	None
Absent:	Troast

**OLD BUSINESS:**

Chairman Carroll reported on the Water Risk and Resilience Assessment performed by Crew Engineering. Chairman Carroll would like all the commissioners to review the summarized assessment and would like anyone to address any issues they feel needs attention and will discuss them at the September meeting. Mr. Galletta noted he and Mr. Wegele inspected each of the Well Houses and Water Storage Tank Sites on August 11, 2021, going over the Assessment by Crew Engineering. Mr. Galletta stated most of the assessment is generic and all the Sites are in great shape as far as landscaping, and all interiors are clean. Mr. Galletta also stated they found some minor things to be repaired and some items have already been fixed. Mr. Kent inquired if there is a list of the repairs needed for each location. Mr. Wegele noted he will provide the list to all the commissioners. Mr. Galletta noted they are still waiting for the Wastewater Vulnerability Assessment Inspection Report and should have it by the September meeting. Mr. Galletta also reported on raising water and sewer rates at this time as essentials needed for the Authority to perform are going up in cost. Commissioners agree rates should be increased they have delayed doing the increase due to the Covid-19 pandemic. Mr. Galletta will review the suggested increase from last year and will go over it at the September meeting.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Mr. Galletta stated he had met with Mr. Wegele to discuss the Authority’s 5–30-year water infrastructure upgrade plan. His reasoning to meet with Mr. Wegele was due to the possible money or funds being released under the Water Infrastructure Trust. Mr. Galletta noted that the project on the top of the list was the Ringwood Ave Water Main Replacement Project

which runs from Hamburg Turnpike to Pompton Lakes/Wanaque Border. Mr. Galletta was inquiring whether it would be cost effective to have the project “shovel ready” with the extreme increase in materials. Mr. Wegele stated that Crew Engineering is preparing a proposal on the project and will also be submitting estimated project costs. Mr. Wegele will report at a later date when he receives the proposals from Crew Engineering.

**CORRESPONDENCE:**

Chairman Carroll presented correspondence for discussion on items 1 through 5.

There was some discussion on the correspondence.

**UPON MOTION** duly made by Mr. Galletta and seconded by Chairman Carroll, and upon roll call vote items 1 through 5 was accepted.

**Vote:**

Ayes	Carroll, Galletta, Longo, Kent
Nays:	None
Absent:	Troast

**UPON MOTION** duly made by Mr. Galletta and seconded by Mr. Longo, and upon roll call vote the Regular Meeting of the Pompton Lakes Municipal Utilities Authority was adjourned at 7:03pm.

**Vote:**

Ayes	Carroll, Galletta, Longo, Kent
Nays:	None
Absent:	Troast

Prepared by: Mary Read

Respectfully submitted by

Michael Longo, Secretary