

A Regular Meeting of the Members of the Pompton Lakes Borough Municipal Utilities Authority was held at 2000 Lincoln Avenue, Pompton Lakes, New Jersey on March 21, 2022.

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 16, 2022 gave notice that the Regular Meeting of the Authority would be held at 6:00pm Monday, March 21, 2022. The meeting was held at 2000 Lincoln Avenue, Pompton Lakes, New Jersey via telephone conference call. 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
Tim Troast – arrived late
John Wegele (Superintendent)
Jeffrey M. Kassover (Attorney)

ABSENT:
William Baig Council Liaison

UPON MOTION duly made by Mr. Galletta and seconded by Mr. Kent, and upon roll call vote the minutes from the Reorganization and Regular Meeting held on February 16, 2022, 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 March	\$110,723.46
Additional Expenses for February	\$80,640.60 – includes debt service payments
Hospitalization for March	\$25,590.56

Operating Payroll/Gross February	\$100,304.77
Social Security for February	\$5,860.81
Meter Deposit Refund for February	<u>\$135.00</u>
TOTAL	\$323,255.20

CAPITAL:

One2one Tech Solutions LLC	\$3,380.00
Rio Supply Inc.	\$4,093.00
Crew Engineers Inc.	<u>\$14,987.18</u>
TOTAL	\$22,460.18

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 and was accepted.

Vote:

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

Mr. Galletta noted Mrs. Read rolled over a CD for another 12 months. The maturity date is March 1, 2023.

Mr. Galletta and Chairman Carroll went over the Corrective Action Plan for the Annual Audit Report. The Corrective Action Plan will be submitted to the State of New Jersey.

Mr. Galletta read a resolution for the record to introduce the Pompton Lakes Utilities Authority budget for the fiscal year, June 1, 2022, to May 31, 2023, to be submitted to the state for approval.

Mr. Galletta also read for the record a resolution to accept the annual audit report for the fiscal year that ended May 31, 2021.

UPON MOTION duly made by Mr. Galletta and seconded by Mr. Kent, and upon roll call vote that the resolutions to introduce the Budget and accept the annual budget were accepted.

Vote:

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

PERSONNEL:

Mr. Troast reported progress.

WATER OPERATIONS:

Mr. Kent submitted Mr. Wegele’s Water Report and stated that on February 28, 2022, Mr. Wegele met with Billy Doty and Chuck DeVore to discuss excavation and replacement of Well # 1 potable sampling line. The sampling lines for all 3 well houses were originally made of galvanized material, which has deteriorated through the years and in need of replacement. Mr. Wegele stated that the line for Well#2 was never located however, a new copper line was put in place and the old, galvanized line was abandoned. Mr. Wegele also stated that Well #1 galvanized line is approximately 320 feet with most of it being located in the wetlands. The M.U.A is attempting to run a new plastic line by inserting it into the old, galvanized line. The project is not yet completed but should be shortly. Mr. Kent reported that he was contacted by Karen Murphy regarding the water services to the Lakeside Park dock area. Mr. Wegele stated he believes there was originally a water service on the lot near the docks but will confirm this. If the water service does exist, the Authority will install a meter and reactivate the account. In addition, the Authority will install a yard hydrant near the docks. Mr. Wegele also stated we will be installing the meter and reactivating the Lakeside Park boat house. Chairman Carroll noted the Authority will need to have an agreement with the Parks Department going forward to have the meters removed and the water turned off before the winter months to prevent the meters from freezing and breaking. Mr. Kent also reported that the water pumped for February 2022 was about the same as February 2021.

UPON MOTION duly made by Chairman Carroll and seconded by Mr. Galletta, and upon roll call vote the water report was accepted.

Vote:

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

WASTEWATER OPERATIONS:

Mr. Longo submitted Mr. Wegele’s Wastewater Report and reported progress.

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

Vote:

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

SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT:

Mr. Wegele reported that he received correspondence from the State of New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection informing the Authority that the Lower Twin Lakes Dam Repair is complete. Mr. Wegele stated the NJDEP is requiring the Authority to perform a quarterly filter maintenance for approximately 20 weep hole filters. These filters are installed in the downstream apron and will need to be removed from the weep hole and cleaned with a bristle brush (toothbrush) after the first year the filter maintenance will go to every other year. Chairman Carroll inquired about Mr. Wegele supplying Crew Engineering with the North Sewerage Pumping Station influent flow records for the North Sewerage Pumping Station Upgrade Project, and if Mr. Wegele had historical information on the flow. Mr. Wegele stated he does have historical records and has given the records to Crew Engineering. Mr. Wegele also reported that the property located at 525 Wanaque Avenue, Pompton Lakes, owned by Plumlaw Partners, will be putting on a new addition upward with four two-bedroom apartments. Mr. Wegele stated each apartment will have individual meters and connection fees for water and sewer, and a fire prevention water line will be required. Plumlaw Partners are still waiting for approvals from the Borough to begin the development. There was some additional discussion regarding various redevelopment in town.

ATTORNEY’S REPORT:

Mr. Kassover reported that he will review the employee contract by the April meeting. Mr. Kassover inquired to Mr. Wegele about the development at 525 Wanaque Avenue regarding a Treatment Works Approval (TWA) application issue. Mr. Wegele stated there is no issues with the TWA. Mr. Kassover also inquired about the Meridia project and their TWA approval, Mr. Wegele stated they had to complete a resubmittal due to some problems.

UPON MOTION duly made by Chairman Carroll and seconded by Mr. Longo, and upon roll call vote the Superintendent and Attorney’s Reports were accepted.

Vote:

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

OLD BUSINESS:

Mr. Galletta inquired about the water turn on date from an agreement that was created with the town and the Authority. The agreement is in place due to recreational fields turning the water on too early in the season causing the meter to freeze and the Authority to consistently replace the meters. Mr. Galletta noted there was a cleanup for Joe Grill Field on Saturday March 19, 2022, and they had no water. Mr. Wegele stated the water is scheduled to be turned on April 15th of each year according to the agreement. Chairman Carroll wants the agreement to go as planned with the dates being honored from the Authority and the representatives from recreational fields and Parks.

CORRESPONDENCE:

Chairman Carroll presented correspondence for discussion on items 1 through 4.

Mr. Galletta inquired about item #1 a letter from Chemours Company regarding groundwater – Mr. Wegele noted Chemours Company was inquiring if the Authority is panning any water use on the classification exception area (CEA). The Authority has no intention for water use in the area.

UPON MOTION duly made by Chairman Carroll and seconded by Mr. Troast, and upon roll call vote items 1 through 4 were accepted.

Vote:

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

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 7:05pm.

Vote:

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

Prepared by: Mary Read

Respectfully submitted by

Michael Longo, Secretary