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 October 17, 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, October 17, 2022. 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

Michael Longo

Lloyd Kent

Tim Troast

John Wegele (Superintendent)

Jeffrey M. Kassover (Attorney)

William Baig (Council Liaison)

ABSENT:

Neal Galletta

**UPON MOTION** duly made by Mr. Troast and seconded by Mr. Longo, upon roll call vote the minutes from the Regular Meeting held on September 19, 2022, was accepted.

**Vote:**

Ayes Carroll, Longo, Troast

Nays: None

Absent: Galletta

Abstain: Kent

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

**FINANCIAL OPERATIONS:**

In Mr. Galletta’s absence, Mr. Kent presented the following bills for approval:

Operating/Vouchers for October $85,375.80

Additional Expenses for September $1,756.83

Hospitalization for October $25,565.28

Operating Payroll/Gross September $117,797.83

Social Security for September $4,808.12

Meter Deposit Refund for September $756.25

TOTAL $236,060.11

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

**Vote:**

Ayes Carroll, Longo, Kent, Troast

Nays: None

Absent: Galletta

Mr. Kent noted the renewal of the CD that matured in August has a good rate of 2.75%

**PERSONNEL:**

Mr. Troast reported that Mr. Wegele is requesting that David Toledo Jr. be hired full time as he passed his probationary period. This will also increase Mr. Toledo’s hourly rate to $20.00. Mr. Wegele also noted that starting October 18. 2022 the Authority has also hired a new employee with a 30-day probationary period. Chairman Carroll reported that there will be several employees that will be taking on new duties in regard to Mr. Wegele’s retirement. Chairman Carroll has proposed the following employees for a salary increase that will go into effect January 1, 2023. The following employees are Billy Doty, Charles DeVore, Elias Sweeney and Mary Read.

**UPON MOTION** duly made by Chairman Carroll and seconded by Mr. Troast, and upon roll call vote that David Toledo Jr will be hired as a full-time employee with a salary increase and the following employees will receive a salary increase effective January 1, 2023; Billy Doty, Charles DeVore, Elias Sweeney and Mary Read was accepted.

**Vote:**

Ayes Carroll, Longo, Kent, Troast

Nays: None

Absent: Galletta

Mr. Wegele noted he will have Mr. Billy Doty start to attend the monthly meetings. Mr. Wegele also noted he would like Charles DeVore and Elias Sweeney to join the meeting in December.

**WATER OPERATIONS:**

Kent submitted Mr. Wegele’s Water Report and reported that on October 8, 2022, the town experienced a power outage that resulted in the water storage tank and Wells #1 and #3 to go out of service. Well #2 was run from the Wastewater Treatment Plant’s emergency generator that was capable of suppling the town of water throughout the outage. Mr. Kent also reported about some sink holes in the back of town that he was concerned something may be washing out the ground. Mr. Wegele noted it is an old dumping site and the area has been camera-ed a number of times by the Authority. Mr. Kent noted water pumping in September is up again from last September.

**UPON MOTION** duly made by Mr. Troast and seconded by Mr. Longo, and upon roll call vote the water report was accepted.

**Vote:**

Ayes Carroll, Longo, Kent, Troast

Nays: None

Absent: Galletta

**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, Longo, Kent, Troast

Nays: None

Absent: Galletta

**SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT:**

Mr. Wegele reported progress

**ATTORNEY’S REPORT:**

Mr. Kassover reported that the Authority is not ready to sign the easement agreement for the Meridia project until the TWA is signed and approved. Mr. Kassover noted that there were some deficiencies in the water main extension application that was prepared by Stonefield Engineering. Mr. Wegele along with Crew Engineering will be working with Stonefield to clear up any deficiencies. Mr. Kassover also stated he will contact the building department to see were the Meridia project has progressed on their end.

**COUNCIL LIAISON:**

Mr. Baig reported progress.

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

**Vote:**

Ayes Carroll, Longo, Kent, Troast

Nays: None

Absent: Galletta

**CORRESPONDENCE:**

Chairman Carroll presented correspondence for discussion on items 1 through 3.

**UPON MOTION** duly made by Mr. Troast and seconded by Mr. Kent, and upon roll call vote items 1 through 3 were accepted.

**Vote:**

Ayes Carroll, Longo, Kent, Troast

Nays: None

Absent: Galletta

**UPON MOTION** duly made by Mr. Kent and seconded by Mr. Longo, and upon roll call vote the Regular Meeting of the Pompton Lakes Municipal Utilities Authority was adjourned at 6:29pm.

**Vote:** Ayes Carroll, Longo Kent, Troast

Nays: None

Absent: Galletta

Prepared by: Mary Read

Respectfully submitted by

Michael Longo, Secretary