

A Regular Meeting of the Members of the Pompton Lakes Borough Municipal Utilities Authority was held at the Administration Building, 2000 Lincoln Avenue, Pompton Lakes, New Jersey on Wednesday February 17, 2016.

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 18, 2015 gave notice that the Regular Meeting of the Authority would be held immediately following the Reorganization Meeting on Wednesday February 17, 2016. 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: George Decker
Kevin P. Carroll
Lawrence DeMaio
Neal Galletta
Michael Longo
John Wegele (Operations Manager)
Jeffrey M. Kassover (Attorney)
Lee T. Purcell (Engineer)
Lawrence Tossi (Special Council)
Councilman Baig

UPON MOTION duly made by Mr. Carroll and seconded by Mr. Longo and upon roll call vote the minutes from the Regular Meeting held on January 20, 2016 were accepted.

Vote:

Ayes	Decker, Carroll, DeMaio, Galletta, Longo
Nays:	None
Absent:	None
Abstain:	None

Mr. Decker noted for the record that no one was present for the public portion of the meeting.

FINANCIAL OPERATIONS:

Operating/Vouchers	\$78,851.37
Additional Expenses for January	2,613.25
Hospitalization for February	27,643.88
Operating Payroll/Gross February	82,544.70
Social Security for January	5,884.31
Meter Deposit Refund for January	<u>655.50</u>
	\$198,193.01

CAPITAL:

Lee T. Purcell Assoc.	\$2,270.00
Iron Hills Construction, Inc.	7,644.00
Alaimo Group	<u>5,460.00</u>
	\$15,824.00

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.

Vote:

Ayes	Decker, Carroll, DeMaio, Galletta, Longo
Nays:	None
Absent:	None

Mr. Decker stated that he had a conference call with Eugene Chebra, Executive Director of the NJDEP Wastewater Trust Program, the call was in regards to Contract 131, WTP Clarifier Rehabilitation Project funding. Mr. Decker was inquiring about the possibility for principal forgiveness of the Wastewater Trust Loan. Mr. Decker stated that Mr. Chebra advised him that this was not an option for this project.

Mr. Decker also stated that he inquired about possible funding for the rehabilitation of the Lower Twin Lakes Dam with Mr. Chebra. Mr. Chebra stated the Wastewater does not provide financing for dam rehabilitation. However, Mr. Chebra provided Mr. Decker with a contact for Karen Fell, NJDEP Water Trust Program who could possibly provide information relating to dam rehabilitation funding.

PERSONNEL:

Mr. DeMaio reported progress.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR/FACILITIES REPORT:

Mr. Decker reported he will meet with Mr. Wegele in the future to discuss both Water and Wastewater Projects.

WATER OPERATIONS:

Mr. Galletta submitted Mr. Wegele's water report and noted there were standard monthly repairs with some home owners requesting the water to be turned off at the curb then back on for plumbing reasons.

Mr. Galletta inquired as to why a fire hydrant was relocated from the end of Riveredge Drive. Mr. Wegele stated that the hydrant was originally located in the woods and by relocating it it's now more accessible for the fire department.

Mr. Galletta also inquired about a house that was demolished on Laurel Avenue there was some issues with the contractor. Mr. Wegele stated that the house should not have been demolished due to the fact that all the utilities were still connected.

Mr. Decker requested to Mr. Wegele to please find out from Mr. Kevin Boyle the Borough Administrator what the procedures are for demolition.

SEWER OPERATIONS:

Mr. Longer reported progress.

UPON MOTION duly made by Mr. Galletta and seconded by Mr. DeMaio and upon roll call vote the Water Operations and Sewer Operations Reports was accepted.

Vote:

Ayes	Decker, Carroll, DeMaio, Galletta, Longo
Nays:	None
Absent:	None

OPERATIONS MANAGER'S REPORT:

Mr. Wegele read a thank you letter received by Donald Longo, Commissioner Mike Longo's son, the staff of the MUA sent him a care package in December 2015 as he is serving in the US Navy and is deployed on the USS Harry S. Truman.

ATTORNEY'S REPORT:

Mr. Kassover reported on a developer who has applied for variances for construction on the property at 430 Montclair Avenue which is in Tier 1 of the Authority's Well Head Protection Plan. Mr. Kassover and Mr. Wegele will draft a letter to the Pompton Lakes Planning/Zoning Board addressing the Authority's concerns in regards to what will be stored on the property and objecting to the proposed building roof drains discharging into the ground. The Authority suggests that the roof drain discharge onto the properties surface and into the storm drains. Mr. Wegele also met with Ed Merrill the Pompton Lakes Environmental Officer who is in agreement with the Authority's positions and will report on our behalf at the next Zoning Board Meeting.

ENGINEER'S REPORT:

Mr. Purcell reported that Contract 151 is completed and Contract 131 Clarifier Mechanism Replacements should be completed by the end of March.

COUNCILMAN LIAISON:

Mr. Baig reported that Dr. Catiny is looking to acquire approximately a half acre of Borough property for proposed future development.

UPON MOTION duly made by Mr. Longo and seconded by Mr. Carroll and upon roll call vote the reports of the Operations Manager, Attorney, Engineer and Special Counsel were accepted

Vote:

Ayes	Decker, Carroll, DeMaio, Galletta, Longo
Nays:	None
Absent:	None

OLD BUSINESS:

Mr. Galletta noted the Authority has talked about conducting background checks on new employees. Mr. Galletta requested Mr. Wegele look into the legalities of performing background checks.

CORRESPONDENCE:

UPON MOTION duly made by Mr. DeMaio and seconded by Mr. Galletta and upon roll call vote items 1 through 4 were accepted.

Vote:

Ayes	Decker, Carroll, DeMaio, Galletta, Longo
Nays:	None
Absent:	None

Mr. Decker noted the Budget will be introduced at the March 21, 2016 meeting.

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 7:10pm.

Vote:

Ayes	Decker, Carroll, DeMaio, Galletta, Longo
Nays:	None
Absent:	None

Prepared by: Mary Scanlan

Respectfully submitted by:

Lawrence DeMaio, Secretary

CORRESPONDENCE:

1. A letter dated January 25, 2016 from David N. Grubb at the PERMA Risk Management Services to JIF Fund Commissioner sharing major points discussed with The North Jersey Record regarding Joint Insurance Funds.
2. A letter dated January 25, 2016 from John F. Wegele to the Pompton Lakes Board of Adjustment Municipal Building regarding the Applicant # BOA15-19 at 430 Montclair Avenue
3. A letter dated January 28, 2016 from the Mayor and Council of Pompton Lakes to Chairman George Decker regarding the Resolution of 16-55 appointing Kevin P. Carroll to a five year term as a commissioner to the Municipal Utilities Authority.
4. A letter dated January 29, 2016 from New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection to Chairman Decker regarding the approved changes to Contract 131 – Clarifier Mechanism Replacements.