

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 June 19, 2023.

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 15, 2023, gave notice that the Regular Meeting of the Authority would be held at 6:00pm Monday, June 19, 2023. 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
Tim Troast
John Wegele (Executive Director)
Billy Doty (Superintendent)
Jeffrey M. Kassover (Attorney)

ABSENT:
Lloyd Kent
Erik DeLine Council Liaison

UPON MOTION duly made by Mr. Galletta and seconded by Mr. Longo, and upon roll call vote the minutes from the Regular Meeting held on May 15, 2023, were accepted.

Vote:
Ayes Carroll, Galletta, Longo, Troast
Nays: None
Absent: Kent
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 June	\$81,834.23
Additional Expenses for May	\$7,808.65
Hospitalization for June	\$26,957.58
Operating Payroll/Gross May	\$97,959.33
Social Security for May	\$5,649.81
Meter Deposit Refund for May	<u>\$676.00</u>
TOTAL	\$220,885.60

CAPITAL:

North Jersey Pump & Control LLC	\$24,218.00
Kastle New York LLC	<u>\$11,595.72</u>
Total	\$35,813.72

UPON MOTION duly made by Mr. Galletta and seconded by Mr. Troast, 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, Troast
Nays:	None
Absent:	Kent

Mr. Galletta presented a resolution to amend the 2023/2024 budget by \$75,000 due to the Sludge Hauling bid coming in \$75,000 more than budgeted. Mr. Galletta read the resolution for the record.

UPON MOTION duly made by Mr. Galletta and seconded by Chairman Carroll, and upon roll call vote to amend the 2023/2024 was accepted.

Vote:

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

Chairman Carroll stated that having to amend and increase the budget may lead the Authority to raise rates at some point. Mr. Galletta will look further and determine if rates need to be increased.

PERSONNEL:

Mr. Troast report that Mr. Doty has hired a seasonal employee, Robert Cole Hudson, for the Summer.

Mr. Galletta stated he was not aware that Mr. Doty was going to hire a seasonal employee. Mr. Galletta noted he feels hiring anyone should be voted on before being hired. Chairman Carroll requested that Mr. Troast request permission to hire Cole as a seasonal employee for a vote.

Mr. Troast requested to hire Robert Cole Hudson for the Summer season.

UPON MOTION duly made by Mr. Troast and seconded by Chairman Carroll, and upon roll call vote to hire Robert Cole Hudson as a seasonal/summer employee was accepted.

Vote:

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

WATER OPERATIONS:

In Mr. Kent’s absence Mr. Galletta submitted Mr. Doty’s Water Report. Mr. Galletta also reported that water pumping is doing very well. Mr. Galletta stated that all the wells are pumping a large amount of water, it makes him think there are no leaks, it is most likely residential usage. Mr. Wegele stated that if there was any leakage it would surface by now as a water main break. Mr. Doty also stated that he spoke with other towns, and they are also pumping a lot of water. Mr. Wegele noted that they will be scheduling the leak detection service soon.

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, Troast
Nays:	None
Absent:	Kent

WASTEWATER OPERATIONS

Mr. Longo submitted Mr. Doty’s Wastewater Report and inquired about the removal and adjustment of the wear plate on primary pump #1. The pump was not pumping to capacity. Mr. Longo inquired if the pump was a Gorman Rupp because they are easy to fix. Mr. Doty stated it is not a Gorman Rupp pump. Mr. Longo also reported that Wind River Environmental LLC was

the lowest responsible bidder for the Sludge Hauling 2-year contract. Mr. Longo would like to recommend awarding the bid to Wind River Environmental LLC.

UPON MOTION duly made by Chairman Carroll and seconded by Mr. Longo, and upon roll call vote the Wastewater Report and adoption of the resolution to award the 2-year sludge hauling contract to Wind River Environmental LLC were accepted.

Vote:

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

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR:

Mr. Wegele reported progress.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT:

Mr. Doty reported progress. Mr. Galletta inquired about Fortunato's building. Mr. Doty stated the Robert Fortunato reached out to him on 6/8/23 to talk about the fire line service that needs to be installed to the building. PLBMUA employees marked the water main on both Wanaque Ave. and Passaic St. for the engineer to design the fire lateral installation. Chairman Carroll inquired if there is any activity from Pompton Five Associates. Mr. Kassover stated that he believes they are done and not moving forward on the redevelopment.

UPON MOTION duly made by Mr. Galletta and seconded by Mr. Longo, and upon roll call vote the Superintendent's Report was accepted.

Vote:

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

ATTORNEY'S REPORT:

Mr. Kassover reported that he will notify Wind River Environmental LLC to inform them that their bid was awarded for the two-year Sludge Removal Contract. Mr. Kassover will also send them the contract to be signed and request a performance bond and an updated insurance certificate along with other routine documents. Mr. Kassover will notify the unsuccessful bidder that their bid documents are being held pending the signed contract. Mr. Kassover also reported that he sent a letter to the North Jersey Police Radio Association regarding their bid tax refund.

Mr. Kassover stated that they received the survey back from the house located on Willard Street. The Survey stated that the driveway is not on the property of the Well House.

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

Vote:

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

CORRESPONDENCE:

Chairman Carroll presented correspondence for discussion on item 1 and 2.

Mr. Galletta inquired about #1 – this is a checklist to make sure we are in compliance with our employee handbook for the JIF (Joint Insurance Fund).

UPON MOTION duly made by Chairman Carroll and seconded by Mr. Longo, and upon roll call vote items 1 and 2 were accepted.

Vote:

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

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 6:33pm.

Vote:

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

Prepared by: Mary Read

Respectfully submitted by

Michael Longo, Secretary