



The
Somerset Raritan Valley
Sewerage Authority

MINUTES OF THE 806th MEETING
THE SOMERSET RARITAN VALLEY SEWERAGE AUTHORITY
OCTOBER 28, 2013

Minute 1 - Opening of Meeting

The 806th Meeting of the Somerset Raritan Valley Sewerage Authority was called to order at 7:30 P.M. by the Chairman, Edward Machala.

Minute 2 - Open Public Meetings Announcement

The Open Public Meeting Announcement was read by the Executive Director, Glen D. Petruski.

Minute 3 - Roll Call

Todd Hay	Absent	Michael Merdinger	Present
Richard DeLuca	Absent	Joseph J. Lifrieri	Present
Carlos Mosquera	Present	Michael Impellizeri	Absent
Philip Petrone	Present	Gail Quabeck	Present
Peter F. Stires	Present	Robert Albano	Present
Carolann Garafola	Absent	Edward Machala	Present
Richard Mathews	Present		

Professional Staff

Glen D. Petruski, Executive Director	Present
John S. Thompson, Plant Superintendent	Present
Anthony Tambasco, Maintenance Supervisor	Present
Michael Ingenito, Second Shift Supervisor	Present
Thomas Laustsen, CDM Smith, Consulting Engineer	Present
Joseph J. Maraziti, Jr., Esq. MFH, General Counsel	Present
Ronald Anastasio, P.E., Assist. Exec. Dir./Facility Engineer	Present
Norma A. Smullen, Office/Human Resources Manager	Present
Peter Wozniak, Chief Financial Officer	Present

Others

None

Minute 4 - Pledge of Allegiance

All in attendance saluted the flag.

Minute 5 - Approval of Minutes

a. 805th Meeting - September 23, 2013 - Regular Session

Upon motion of Mr. Lifrieri, second of Mr. Mathews, the Minutes of the 805th Meeting (Regular Session) were approved by the following roll call vote:

Todd Hay	Absent	Michael Merdinger	Yes
Richard DeLuca	Absent	Joseph Lifrieri	Yes
Carlos Mosquera	Yes	Michael Impellizeri	Absent
Philip Petrone	Abstain	Gail Quabeck	Yes
Peter Stires	Abstain	Robert Albano	Yes
Carolann Garafola	Absent	Edward Machala	Yes
Richard Mathews	Yes		

A copy of the Minutes are attached hereto and made part of the Official Minutes.

b. 805th Meeting - September 23, 2013 - Closed Session

Upon motion of Mr. Mathews, second of Ms. Quabeck, the Minutes of the 805th Meeting (Closed Session) were approved (with the following correction: Page 2, Minute 6 "Should read Mr. Carney gave a brief summation of the case") by the following roll call vote:

Todd Hay	Absent	Michael Merdinger	Yes
Richard DeLuca	Absent	Joseph Lifrieri	Yes
Carlos Mosquera	Yes	Michael Impellizeri	Absent
Philip Petrone	Abstain	Gail Quabeck	Yes
Peter Stires	Abstain	Robert Albano	Yes
Carolann Garafola	Absent	Edward Machala	Yes
Richard Mathews	Yes		

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Minute 6 - Public Hearing(s) - (Including Public Notice/Support Information) - None

Minute 7 - Public Participation - Seeing no one from the public, the Public Participation Portion of the meeting was Closed.

Minute 8 - Resolutions for Consideration and Possible Formal Action

a. Res. No. 13-1028-1 - Resolution Awarding The Bid For Internal Instrumentation Maintenance, Calibration and Repair

Upon motion of Mr. Mosquera, second of Mr. Lifrieri, the above resolution was approved by the following roll call vote:

Todd Hay	Absent	Michael Merdinger	Yes
Richard DeLuca	Absent	Joseph Lifrieri	Yes
Carlos Mosquera	Yes	Michael Impellizeri	Absent
Philip Petrone	Yes	Gail Quabeck	Yes
Peter Stires	Yes	Robert Albano	Yes
Carolann Garafola	Absent	Edward Machala	Yes
Richard Mathews	Yes		

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- b. Res. No. 13-1028-2 - Resolution Extending Contract For Furnishing and Delivery of Polymer

Upon motion of Mr. Stires, second of Mr. Albano, the above resolution was approved by the following roll call vote:

Todd Hay	Absent	Michael Merdinger	Yes
Richard DeLuca	Absent	Joseph Lifrieri	Yes
Carlos Mosquera	Yes	Michael Impellizeri	Absent
Philip Petrone	Yes	Gail Quabeck	Yes
Peter Stires	Yes	Robert Albano	Yes
Carolann Garafola	Absent	Edward Machala	Yes
Richard Mathews	Yes		

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- c. Res. No. 13-1028-3 - Resolution Extending Contract For Continuous Emission Monitoring

Upon motion of Mr. Mosquera, second of Mr. Albano, the above resolution was approved by the following roll call vote:

Todd Hay	Absent	Michael Merdinger	Yes
Richard DeLuca	Absent	Joseph Lifrieri	Yes
Carlos Mosquera	Yes	Michael Impellizeri	Absent
Philip Petrone	Yes	Gail Quabeck	Yes
Peter Stires	Yes	Robert Albano	Yes
Carolann Garafola	Absent	Edward Machala	Yes
Richard Mathews	Yes		

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- d. Res. No. 13-1028-4 - Resolution Authorizing the Chairman, the Executive Director, the Assistant Executive Director/Facility Engineer, and the Chief Financial Officer To Attend The AEA Fall Conference/98th NJ League of Municipalities Conference In Atlantic City, November 18-21, 2013

Upon motion of Mr. Albano, second of Mr. Lifrieri, the above resolution was approved by the following roll call vote:

Todd Hay	Absent	Michael Merdinger	Yes
Richard DeLuca	Absent	Joseph Lifrieri	Yes
Carlos Mosquera	Yes	Michael Impellizeri	Absent
Philip Petrone	Yes	Gail Quabeck	Yes
Peter Stires	Yes	Robert Albano	Yes
Carolann Garafola	Absent	Edward Machala	Yes
Richard Mathews	Yes		

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Minute 9 - Board Committees

- a. Personnel Committee (PETRONE, Albano, DeLuca, Quabeck, Stires)

(1) Report on permanent status of Harry Heiber

Mr. Petrone reported that approval memos have been received from Mr. Edwards and Mr. Thompson recommending that permanent status be granted to Mr. Heiber to the Operator-Solid Division Department.

- (2) Res. No. 13-1028-5 - Resolution Granting Permanent Status to Harry Heiber-Operator Solid Division

Upon Mr. Petrone, second of Mr. Stires, the above resolution was approved by the following roll call vote:

Todd Hay	Absent	Michael Merdinger	Yes
Richard DeLuca	Absent	Joseph Lifrieri	Yes
Carlos Mosquera	Yes	Michael Impellizeri	Absent
Philip Petrone	Yes	Gail Quabeck	Yes
Peter Stires	Yes	Robert Albano	Yes
Carolann Garafola	Absent	Edward Machala	Yes
Richard Mathews	Yes		

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- (3) Report on 25 years of service (Arthur Lane)

Mr. Petrone reported that Mr. Lane has completed 25 years of continuous service to the Authority and following past practice, a \$100 cash bonus will be given to him for this accomplishment.

- (4) Res. No. 13-1028-6 - Resolution Granting A \$100 Cash Bonus To Arthur Lane For 25 Years of Continuous Service To The Somerset Raritan Valley Sewerage Authority

Upon motion of Mr. Petrone, second of Mr. Albano, the above resolution was approved by the following roll call vote:

Todd Hay	Absent	Michael Merdinger	Yes
Richard DeLuca	Absent	Joseph Lifrieri	Yes
Carlos Mosquera	Yes	Michael Impellizeri	Absent
Philip Petrone	Yes	Gail Quabeck	Yes
Peter Stires	Yes	Robert Albano	Yes
Carolann Garafola	Absent	Edward Machala	Yes
Richard Mathews	Yes		

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b. Chairman - No additional Comments

Minute 10 - Reports

a. **Executive Director's Report**

- (1) Report on receipt of bids for Building 600 Gable Roof Construction Project

Mr. Anastasio reported that bids were opened on October 17. A total of 15 sets of plans were purchased with eight (8) bidders responding. There was a ninth (9) bidder, however, he was late submitting his bid. The bids ranged from \$124,500.00 to \$299,000.00. Mr. Anastasio reported that all of the bid documents were in order for the low bidder, Wespol Construction & Metal Distributors, LLC, and was recommending that the contract be awarded to Wespol Construction & Metal Distributors, LLC.

Mr. Petrauski asked Mr. Anastasio what the estimate was for the project. Mr. Anastasio responded that he estimated the job at between \$125,000.00 to \$150,000.00.

A brief discussion ensued regarding the reputation of the bidder as well as the other bidders.

Attorney Maraziti stated that it is very difficult to disqualify a bidder for not being qualified for a job who responds to the bidding documents.

Mr. Petrauski reported that the Authority does do due diligence and reported that on a previous bid the total bid amount came in too low from what was estimated. The Authority is doing due diligence because the bid looks "too good". A brief discussion.

- (a) Res. No. 13-1028-7 Resolution Awarding The Bid For Building No. 600 Gable Roof Construction Project

Upon motion of Mr. Mosquera, second of Mr. Albano, the above resolution was approved by the following roll call vote:

Todd Hay	Absent	Michael Merdinger	Yes
Richard DeLuca	Absent	Joseph Lifrieri	Yes
Carlos Mosquera	Yes	Michael Impellizeri	Absent
Philip Petrone	Yes	Gail Quabeck	Yes
Peter Stires	Yes	Robert Albano	Yes
Carolann Garafola	Absent	Edward Machala	Yes
Richard Mathews	Yes		

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(2) Update on Water Quality Restoration Facility (WQRF) Project

Mr. Petrauski reported that there is not too much to report at this point because the biggest problem that the Authority is facing is that we have not had rain--we need a 3" rain storm or greater so that we can get an overflow. There has been one substantial storm in June but none since then. This will be an impact on the ACO. Mr. Petrauski went on to report that this is going to be watched closely through December and if we do not have a substantial rainfall, it may be necessary to wait till the spring.

Mr. Petrauski stated that everything else is on track. He distributed a list which is the requirements under the ACO as negotiated with the NJDEP and Somerville. All deadlines have been met.

Mr. Petrauski reported that the models are ready to go. He reported that the Authority has obtained the access agreement from the County, we have completed all of the wetlands, the Phase I Environmental Study has been conducted and the Archaeologist is due to start digging on November 5.

(a) Update on GAP (Green Acres Project) Scoping Hearing

Mr. Petrauski reported that the Scoping Hearing was being held on October 29th at the County Parks Building on Milltown Road. Mr. Petrauski stated that the Scoping Hearing is to hold a Public Hearing for the public to come in and give their comments on the project even before it goes forward.

The question was raised whether any public was expected to be in attendance at the Scoping Hearing. Mr. Petrauski responded that he did expect some members of the public to be present. A discussion ensued.

- (3) Update on status of litigation with Carbro Constructors Corp. (**CLOSED SESSION-LITIGATION**)
- (4) Update on litigation with CNA (**CLOSED SESSION-LITIGATION**)
- (5) Report on flow billing problem at Meter Chamber No. 8 (**CLOSED SESSION - NEGOTIATIONS**)

- b. Thomas Laustsen, P.E. (CDM Smith) Engineer's Report for October 2013 - No questions or comments.

A question was raised on the Engineering Report from CDM Smith referring to an inspection performed on January 3, 2013 and awaiting comments from the SRVSA. Executive Director Petrauski reported that this is the inspection mandated by the Bond Covenant stating what shape the plant is in.

- c. Attorney - Joseph J. Maraziti, Jr., Esq., Maraziti, Falcon & Healey, LLP (MFH)

- d. Department Reports - No Comments

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| (1) Operations | (3) Maintenance/Electrical |
| (2) Laboratory | (4) Special Projects |

- e. Facility Engineer Reports - No Comments

- (1) Capacity Allocation
- (2) Capacity Assurance
- (3) Monthly Flow Report
- (4) Facility Engineer's Monthly Report

- f. Budget Reports - No Comments

Minute 11 - Communications - No Comments

- a. NJDEP, Division of Water Quality; Surface Water Discharge Monitoring Report; Re: Reporting Period August 2013
- b. NJDEP, Division of Water Quality; Residuals DMR; Re: Reporting Period August 2013
- c. NJDEP, Division of Water Quality; Residual Transfer Report; Re: Reporting Period August 2013
- d. Paul DeSantis, NJDEP; dated October 10, 2013; Re: Pretreatment Program On-Site Audit
- e. Vanessa Day, Bureau Chief, NJDEP; dated October 21, 2013; Re: Monthly sludge Metals Analysis for the Third Quarter of 2013 (10/25/2013 Weekly Mailing)

Minute 12 - Payroll (Res. No. 13-1028-8)

Upon motion of Mr. Albano, second of Mr. Lifrieri, the above resolution was approved by the following roll call vote:

Todd Hay	Absent	Michael Merdinger	Yes
Richard DeLuca	Absent	Joseph Lifrieri	Yes
Carlos Mosquera	Yes	Michael Impellizeri	Absent
Philip Petrone	Yes	Gail Quabeck	Yes
Peter Stires	Yes	Robert Albano	Yes
Carolann Garafola	Absent	Edward Machala	Yes
Richard Mathews	Yes		

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Minute 13 - Cancellation of Checks - None

Minute 14 - Bills (Res. No. 13-1028-9)

Upon motion of Ms. Quabeck, second of Mr. Stires, the above resolution was approved by the following roll call vote:

Todd Hay	Absent	Michael Merdinger	Yes
Richard DeLuca	Absent	Joseph Lifrieri	Yes
Carlos Mosquera	Yes	Michael Impellizeri	Absent
Philip Petrone	Yes	Gail Quabeck	Yes
Peter Stires	Yes	Robert Albano	Yes
Carolann Garafola	Absent	Edward Machala	Yes
Richard Mathews	Yes		

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Minute 15 - Motion to Adjourn to Closed Session

Upon motion of Mr. Stires, second of Ms. Quabeck, the meeting was adjourned to Closed Session at 7:52 p.m. for the reasons stated by Attorney Maraziti to discuss two matters in litigation; one with Carbro Constructors Corp, the second being litigation with CNA, the matter of anticipated litigation with Bridgewater regarding the billing question and also a personnel matter by the following roll call vote:

Todd Hay	Absent	Michael Merdinger	Yes
Richard DeLuca	Absent	Joseph Lifrieri	Yes
Carlos Mosquera	Yes	Michael Impellizeri	Absent
Philip Petrone	Yes	Gail Quabeck	Yes
Peter Stires	Yes	Robert Albano	Yes
Carolann Garafola	Absent	Edward Machala	Yes
Richard Mathews	Yes		

Minute 16 - Closed Session

Minute 17 - Motion to Reconvene in Open Session

Upon motion of Ms. Quabeck, second of Mr. Albano, the meeting reconvened in Open Session at 8:20 p.m. by the following roll call vote:

Todd Hay	Absent	Michael Merdinger	Yes
Richard DeLuca	Absent	Joseph Lifrieri	Yes
Carlos Mosquera	Yes	Michael Impellizeri	Absent
Philip Petrone	Yes	Gail Quabeck	Yes
Peter Stires	Yes	Robert Albano	Yes
Carolann Garafola	Absent	Edward Machala	Yes
Richard Mathews	Yes		

Prior to adjournment, a question was raised regarding the letter forwarded to Chris Paulsen of Bridgewater Township regarding Arsenic from STS.

Mr. Petrauski reported that the letter related to STS and the Arsenic on the site. He went on to report that the site was horrible with Arsenic. There was 2 million pounds of Arsenic removed through remediation but the groundwater has never repaired and that is the reason for the double containment system. In 2010, the ground was removed but the Arsenic in the water has never been removed. Mr. Petrauski wrote to Bridgewater Health to determine whether or not they know what is going on. Mr. Petrauski reported that STS is like another Pfizer Site. His concern is that there is a ton of Arsenic in the ground and in the groundwater. When is the water going to be remediated? He feel that issue has been let go too long.

Minute 18 - Adjournment

Upon a motion of Mr. Albano, second of Ms. Quabeck, the meeting was adjourned at 8:23 p.m. by the following roll call vote:

Todd Hay	Absent	Michael Merdinger	Yes
Richard DeLuca	Absent	Joseph Lifrieri	Yes
Carlos Mosquera	Yes	Michael Impellizeri	Absent
Philip Petrone	Yes	Gail Quabeck	Yes
Peter Stires	Yes	Robert Albano	Yes
Carolann Garafola	Absent	Edward Machala	Yes
Richard Mathews	Yes		