# MINUTES OF THE BOARD MEETING THE SOMERSET RARITAN VALLEY SEWERAGE AUTHORITY May 29, 2019

# Minute 1 – Opening of Meeting

The Board Meeting of the Somerset Raritan Valley Sewerage Authority was called to order at 7:31 P.M. by Chairperson Todd Hay

# Minute 2 – Open Public Meetings Announcement

The Open Public Meeting Announcement was read by the Executive Director, Ronald S. Anastasio.

# Minute 3 – Roll Call

| Robert Albano       | Present | Steven Mlenak  | Present |
|---------------------|---------|----------------|---------|
| Louis Esposito, Jr  | Present | Philip Petrone | Present |
| Michael Impellizeri | Present | Gail Quabeck   | Absent  |
| Joseph Lifrieri     | Present | Randy Smith    | Absent  |
| Edward Machala      | Present | Peter Stires   | Present |
| Richard Mathews     | Present | Todd Hay       | Present |

## **Authority Staff**

| Ronald Anastasio, P.E., Executive Director | Present |
|--|---------|
| Sherwin Ulep, P.E., Facility Engineer      | Absent  |
| Anthony Tambasco, Plant Superintendent     | Present |
| Michael Ingenito, Chief Plant Operator     | Absent  |
| Dennis Smith, Supervisor Liquid Division   | Present |
| Ellie Hoffman, P.E., RCO/Asst. Engineer    | Present |
| Linda Hering, Human Resources Manager      | Present |
| Michele Haynberg, Administrative Asst.     | Absent  |
| Peter Wozniak, Chief Financial Officer     | Present |
|  |         |

## **Professional Staff**

| Kyle Boehme, CDM Smith                   | Present |
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| Brent Carney, Esq., Maraziti Falcon, LLP | Present |

# Minute 4 – Pledge of Allegiance

All in attendance saluted the flag.

## Minute 5 – Oath of Office:

# Oath of Office – Chairperson and Secretary

The following commissioners were sworn in by Brent Carney, Esquire, to the following positions:

- a. Chairperson Todd Hay
- b. Secretary Joseph Lifrieri

# Minute 6 – Approval of Minutes

1. Board Meeting Open Session Minutes – April 22, 2019

With the Motion of Mr. Impellizeri, Second of Mr. Albano, the Minutes of the April 22, 2019 Meeting (Open Session), were approved by the following roll call vote:

## **Roll Call Vote:**

| Robert Albano       | Yes | Steven Mlenak  | Abstain |
|---------------------|-----|----------------|---------|
| Louis Esposito, Jr  | Yes | Philip Petrone | Abstain |
| Michael Impellizeri | Yes | Gail Quabeck   | Absent  |
| Joseph Lifrieri     | Yes | Randy Smith    | Absent  |
| Edward Machala      | Yes | Peter Stires   | Abstain |
| Richard Mathews     | Yes | Todd Hay       | Yes     |

2. Board Meeting Closed Session I & II Minutes – April 22, 2019

With the Motion of Mr. Albano, Second of Mr. Impellizeri, the Minutes of the April 22, 2019 Meeting (Closed Sessions), were approved by the following roll call vote:

## **Roll Call Vote:**

| Robert Albano       | Yes | Steven Mlenak  | Abstain |
|---------------------|-----|----------------|---------|
| Louis Esposito, Jr  | Yes | Philip Petrone | Abstain |
| Michael Impellizeri | Yes | Gail Quabeck   | Absent  |
| Joseph Lifrieri     | Yes | Randy Smith    | Absent  |
| Edward Machala      | Yes | Peter Stires   | Abstain |
| Richard Mathews     | Yes | Todd Hay       | Yes     |

## Minute 8 - Public Participation - NONE

## Minute 9 – Consent Resolutions for Consideration and Possible Formal Action

- **A.** Mr. Hay stated that our attorney has asked that Res. No. 19-0529-2 be removed from the Consent Resolutions and voted on separately. This was agreed upon and Res. No. 19-0529-2 was removed from the Consent Resolutions and voted on separately as indicated below.
  - (1) <u>Res. No. 19-0529-1</u> Resolution Authorizing the Reissuance of a Non-Domestic Wastewater Discharge Permit to Roche Molecular Systems, Inc.
  - (2) <u>Res. No. 19-0529-3</u> Resolution Awarding the Contract for Furnishing and Delivering Services for Sludge Incinerator Emission Compliance Testing Contract No. B-19-3 to Environmental Source Samplers, Inc.
  - (3) Res. No. 19-0529-4 Resolution Authorizing The Chairman And Two (2) Commissioners, The Executive Director, The Plant Superintendent, The Chief Plant Operator And The Facility Engineer To Attend The Water Environment Federation's (WEFTEC) 92nd Annual Water Environment Federation Technical Exhibition And Conference In Chicago, Il
  - (4) <u>Res. No. 19-0529-5</u> A Resolution Authorizing The Somerset Raritan Valley Sewerage Authority to Enter into a Cooperative Pricing Agreement
  - (5) <u>Res. No. 19-0529-6</u> Resolution Authorizing Reimbursement of Tuition and Fees for Facility Engineer Sherwin Ulep for a Master's Degree in Public Administration from Rutgers University
  - (6) <u>Res. No. 19-0529-7</u> Resolution Authorizing Application for a Loan from the New Jersey Environmental Infrastructure Financing Program
  - (7) <u>Res. No. 19-0529-12</u> Sewer Extension Resolution General Tool Specialties; Hillsborough Township, Block 183 Lot 35.01

Upon Motion of Mr. Albano, Second of Mr. Mlenak, the above Resolutions were approved by the following roll call vote:

## **Roll Call Vote:**

| Robert Albano       | Yes | Steven Mlenak  | Yes    |
|---------------------|-----|----------------|--------|
| Louis Esposito, Jr  | Yes | Philip Petrone | Yes    |
| Michael Impellizeri | Yes | Gail Quabeck   | Absent |
| Joseph Lifrieri     | Yes | Randy Smith    | Absent |
| Edward Machala      | Yes | Peter Stires   | Yes    |
| Richard Mathews     | Yes | Todd Hay       | Yes    |

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

There was a discussion regarding the order of the Roll Call Vote and it was determined that Mr. Hay in his new roll of Chairperson should be called upon last to vote.

- **B.** As stated, above Res. No. 19-0529-2 was removed from the Consent Resolution and voted on separately. Brent Carney, Esq. stated that Mr. Mathews would recuse himself and leave the room during voting on this Resolution due to a potential conflict of interest.
  - (8) <u>Res. No. 19-0529-2</u> Resolution Authorizing the Termination of the Non-Domestic Wastewater Discharge Permit 15G for Agfa Corporation

Upon Motion of Mr. Machala, Second of Mr. Albano, the above Resolution was approved by the following roll call vote:

### **Roll Call Vote:**

| Robert Albano       | Yes     | Steven Mlenak  | Yes    |
|---------------------|---------|----------------|--------|
| Louis Esposito, Jr  | Yes     | Philip Petrone | Yes    |
| Michael Impellizeri | Yes     | Gail Quabeck   | Absent |
| Joseph Lifrieri     | Yes     | Randy Smith    | Absent |
| Edward Machala      | Yes     | Peter Stires   | Yes    |
| Richard Mathews     | Recused | Todd Hay       | Yes    |

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Upon the conclusion of voting Mr. Mathews rejoined the meeting.

## Minute 10 – Board Committees – NONE

# Minute 11 - Chairperson

- A. Phone Call with the former SRVSA Chairperson Garafola was placed to say goodbye. Well wishes were offered by all. Mrs. Garafola stated that it was a pleasure to work with all the members and thanked Ron. Chairperson Hay introduced the following resolution.
- B. <u>Res. No 19-0529-8</u> Resolution Acknowledging and Thanking Carolann Garafola for Her Time and Service as a Commissioner and Chairperson

Upon Motion of Mr. Machala, Second of Mr. Esposito, the above Resolution was approved by the following roll call vote:

#### **Roll Call Vote:**

| Robert Albano       | Yes | Steven Mlenak  | Yes    |
|---------------------|-----|----------------|--------|
| Louis Esposito, Jr  | Yes | Philip Petrone | Yes    |
| Michael Impellizeri | Yes | Gail Quabeck   | Absent |
| Joseph Lifrieri     | Yes | Randy Smith    | Absent |
| Edward Machala      | Yes | Peter Stires   | Yes    |
| Richard Mathews     | Yes | Todd Hay       | Yes    |

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## Minute 12 – Reports

## A. Executive Director's Report

- 1. <u>Update on SSO Project</u>: Mr. Anastasio indicated that no construction has taken place yet. Additional information during closed session.
- **Report on New Final NJPDES Permit:** Mr. Anastasio stated that we received our new Surface Water Permit and it is good for 5 years. Mr. Anastasio pointed out that the difference between the old permit, which was more complicated, and this new permit is that we constructed the outfall to the Raritan River. If we had not done that there would be other limits that would be wretched down here; things that would be tough to treat, per Jim Cosgrove. It's a really good permit and it is based on what our effluent is. We created a system to treat and remove compounds that are byproducts of Chlorine disinfection (about 12 yrs. ago). They took them out of this permit since it worked so well, but we will continue to use this system and that should keep them out of the permit. The limits coming out of the permit are a testament to the staff including the operations staff at the Authority.
- **3.** <u>Risk Management Training Video:</u> Ron stated that we will view the Risk Management Training Video, as we did three years ago, at the end of the meeting.
- **B.** Engineer/Consultants Kyle Boehme from CDM Smith was present to fill in for Tom Laustsen. Mr. Boehme reported that CDM Smith has submitted their monthly engineering report for review, and that there was nothing else to add.
- C. Attorney Report will be on the pending litigation during Closed Session.

## **D. Department Reports** – No comments

- (1) Operations
- (2) Laboratory
- (3) Maintenance/Electrical
- (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

## **Minute 13 – Communications**

- A. NJDEP, Division of Water Quality; Residual Transfer Report; Re: Reporting Period: 3/01/19 through 3/31/19
- B. NJDEP, Division of Water Quality; Surface Water Discharge Monitoring Report; Re: Reporting Period: 3/01/19 through 3/31/19
- C. NJDEP, Division of Water Quality; Residuals Transfer Discharge Monitoring Report; Re: Reporting Period: 3/01/19 through 3/31/19

# Minute 14 - Res. No. 19-0325-8 - Payroll

Upon Motion of Mr. Albano, Second of Mr. Mlenak, the above Resolution was approved by the following roll call vote:

## **Roll Call Vote:**

| Robert Albano       | Yes | Steven Mlenak  | Yes    |
|---------------------|-----|----------------|--------|
| Louis Esposito, Jr  | Yes | Philip Petrone | Yes    |
| Michael Impellizeri | Yes | Gail Quabeck   | Absent |
| Joseph Lifrieri     | Yes | Randy Smith    | Absent |
| Edward Machala      | Yes | Peter Stires   | Yes    |
| Richard Mathews     | Yes | Todd Hay       | Yes    |

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

# Minute 15 - Cancelled Check(s) - None

## Minute 16 – Res. No. 19-0325-9 - Bills

Upon Motion of Mr. Impellizeri, Second of Mr. Esposito, the above Resolution was approved by the following roll call vote:

## **Roll Call Vote:**

| Robert Albano       | Yes | Steven Mlenak  | Yes    |
|---------------------|-----|----------------|--------|
| Louis Esposito, Jr  | Yes | Philip Petrone | Yes    |
| Michael Impellizeri | Yes | Gail Quabeck   | Absent |
| Joseph Lifrieri     | Yes | Randy Smith    | Absent |
| Edward Machala      | Yes | Peter Stires   | Yes    |
| Richard Mathews     | Yes | Todd Hay       | Yes    |

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<u>Minute 17 - Res. No. 19-0529-11</u> – Resolution Authorizing Closed Session for Discussion Regarding the Storm Control Treatment Facility Construction Project (Pending Litigation)

Brent Carney, Esq. stated the pending litigation as (1) PKF Mark III, Inc. vs. Somerset Raritan Valley Sewerage Authority and Tomar Construction Services Inc. and (2) Pact Two, LLC vs. Somerset Raritan Valley Sewerage Authority and Tomar Construction Services Inc.

Upon Motion of Mr. Mlenak, Second of Mr. Esposito, at 7:53 p.m. the above Resolution was approved by the following roll call vote:

## **Roll Call Vote:**

| Robert Albano       | Yes | Steven Mlenak  | Yes    |
|---------------------|-----|----------------|--------|
| Louis Esposito, Jr  | Yes | Philip Petrone | Yes    |
| Michael Impellizeri | Yes | Gail Quabeck   | Absent |
| Joseph Lifrieri     | Yes | Randy Smith    | Absent |
| Edward Machala      | Yes | Peter Stires   | Yes    |
| Richard Mathews     | Yes | Todd Hay       | Yes    |

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## Minute 18 – Motion to Continue in Open Session

Upon Motion of Mr. Mathews, Second of Impellizeri, the meeting was reconvened in Open Session at 8:16 p.m. by the following roll call vote:

## **Roll Call Vote:**

| Robert Albano       | Yes | Steven Mlenak  | Yes    |
|---------------------|-----|----------------|--------|
| Louis Esposito, Jr  | Yes | Philip Petrone | Yes    |
| Michael Impellizeri | Yes | Gail Quabeck   | Absent |
| Joseph Lifrieri     | Yes | Randy Smith    | Absent |
| Edward Machala      | Yes | Peter Stires   | Yes    |
| Richard Mathews     | Yes | Todd Hay       | Yes    |

Mr. Anastasio stated that we will remain in open session and watch the Risk Management Training video. Toward the end of the Training video there was technical issue and the we unable to view the end of the video.

# Minute 19 – Adjournment

Upon Motion of Mr. Mlenak, Second of Mr. Stires, the meeting was adjourned at 8:25 p.m. by the following roll call vote:

## **Roll Call Vote:**

| Robert Albano       | Yes | Steven Mlenak  | Yes    |
|---------------------|-----|----------------|--------|
| Louis Esposito, Jr  | Yes | Philip Petrone | Yes    |
| Michael Impellizeri | Yes | Gail Quabeck   | Absent |
| Joseph Lifrieri     | Yes | Randy Smith    | Absent |
| Edward Machala      | Yes | Peter Stires   | Yes    |
| Richard Mathews     | Yes | Todd Hay       | Yes    |

NEXT REGULAR BOARD MEETING WILL BE HELD ON JUNE 24, 2019