

WANAQUE VALLEY REGIONAL SEWERAGE AUTHORITY
December 17, 2019 (Rescheduled from December 4, 2019)
Regular Public Meeting

Wanaque Valley Regional Sewerage Authority conducted a Regular Meeting which commenced at 6:10P.M. in the Wanaque Valley Regional Sewerage Authority Administration Building, 101 Warren Hagstrom Blvd., Wanaque, New Jersey with Chairman Frank Covelli, presiding.

ANNOUNCEMENT – 6:10pm

Chairman Covelli read the following announcement:

Pursuant to the Open Public Meetings Act, Chapter 231, P.L. 1975 adequate notice as defined by Section 3D of Chapter 231, P.L. 1975, and has been posted on the WVRSA website. Copy of said notice will be filed with the minutes of this meeting.

SALUTE TO THE FLAG

Chairman Covelli led the Authority in the Salute to the Flag.

ROLL CALL

Commissioners Present: Herb Allen, Michael Levine, Ted Taukus, Frank Covelli
Commissioners Absent: Matt Conlon, Michael Siesta

Also, Present: John Eskilson – Interim Executive Director
Elizabeth Parrinello – Recording Secretary

CORRESPONDENCE:

Chairman Covelli asked Ms. Parrinello if there were any correspondence, Ms. Parrinello stated that we received a letter from the Borough of Ringwood in regards to the water testing. Mr. Eskilson explain that the Borough of Ringwood has chosen not to renew their water operator testing agreement with the Authority.

Chairman Covelli asked if there were any questions with the correspondences, seeing and hearing none Chairman Covelli stated that the correspondence would be filed according.

September 25, 2019 – Open Regular Meeting Minutes

Chairman Covelli stated that the Commissioners have copies of September 25, 2019, minutes in their files and asked if they have had time to review them. Chairman Covelli asked for a motion.

The following motion was made:

MOTION Moved by Mr. Levine, 2nd by Mr. Taukus, to approve and accept the minutes of September 25, 2019, Chairman Covelli asked if there were any discussion, additions, deletions on the minutes of September 25, 2019, Regular Meeting Minutes, seeing and hearing none, Chairman Covelli asked for all those in favor to signify so by stating Aye.

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Chairman Covelli asked for all those in favor to signify so by stating Aye.
Commissioners: Allen, Levine, Taukus, and Covelli all stated Aye
Commissioners Absent: Conlon, Siesta

MOTION CARRIED

REPORTS

INTERIM EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Mr. Eskilson prepared a written report (copy attached), which is in the WVRSA meeting folders for this meeting.

Mr. Eskilson stated that the Personnel / Finance Committee met and during that meeting there was a discussion regarding the Special Services RFP's. Mr. Eskilson stated that we will process this year with the RFP process with the notice being advertised and placed on the WVRSA website.

Mr. Eskilson explained that based on a committee meeting held earlier this evening, we have prepared a RFP for a Licensed Operator Services, due to Greg retiring April 1, 2020. Mr. Eskilson explained that we do not have anyone in house that can fit the need. For a plant this size you need a S3 License, Mr. Eskilson stated that we will be looking to bring in an outside firm for that service. (Discussion continued)

Mr. Eskilson reported on the results of the septage hauler survey, Mr. Eskilson said that the hauler's indicated that competitive pricing was one reason they use the Authority, but the biggest complaint was the turning around time, Mr. Eskilson said, having the second "beast" should help with that.

ENGINEERING REPORT – No Report

LEGAL REPORT – No Report

Chairman Covelli stated we will move to the Resolution's on the Agenda.

Chairman Covelli asked the Board if they would like to move the Resolutions as a group or individually, the Board agreed to move as a group.

Chairman Covelli asked that Mr. Eskilson give a brief explanation for each of the Resolution's on the Agenda. Mr. Eskilson explained each of the Resolution for the Board.

Resolution 19-49 - Authorizing Use of State Contract T-2101 to Purchase a Ford 250 Pickup Truck from Winner Ford, for \$31,512.00– Resolution #19-49

MOTION Moved by Mr. Levine, 2nd by Mr. Taukus in Authorizing Use of State Contract T-2101 to Purchase a Ford 250 Pickup Truck from Winner Ford.

Chairman Covelli asked for all those in favor to signify so by stating Aye.
Commissioners: Allen, Levine, Taukus, and Covelli all stated Aye
Commissioners Absent: Conlon, Siesta

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Resolution 19-50 - Authorizing Winter Incentive Rate– Resolution #19-50

MOTION Moved by Mr. Levine, 2nd by Mr. Taukus in Authorizing Winter Incentive Rate

Chairman Covelli asked for all those in favor to signify so by stating Aye.
Commissioners: Allen, Levine, Taukus, and Covelli all stated Aye
Commissioners Absent: Conlon, Siesta

MOTION CARRIED

Resolution 19-51 – Appointing a Public Agency Compliance Officer for 2020

MOTION Moved by Mr. Levine, 2nd by Mr. Taukus in Appointing a Public Agency Compliance Officer for 2020

Chairman Covelli asked for all those in favor to signify so by stating Aye.
Commissioners: Allen, Levine, Taukus, and Covelli all stated Aye
Commissioners Absent: Conlon, Siesta

MOTION CARRIED

PAYMENT OF BILLS

Resolution 19-52 - Accepting and Authorizing Payment of Bills Resolution #19-52

Chairman Covelli asked Mr. Levine if all the vouchers where in order, Mr. Levine stated the vouchers are in order.

MOTION Moved by Mr. Levine, 2nd by Mr. Allen to approve and accept Resolution #19-52 in the amounts of \$827,364.30.

Chairman Covelli asked for all those in favor to signify so by stating Aye.
Commissioners: Allen, Levine, Taukus, and Covelli all stated Aye
Commissioners Absent: Conlon, Siesta

OLD BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS – Licensed Operator Position

Mr. Eskilson stated that he covered this in his interim report.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Chairman Covelli stated seeing and hearing none, Chairman Covelli asked for a motion to close the public portion.

Motion was made to close the public portion.

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MOTION Moved by Mr. Taukus 2nd by Mr. Allen to close the public portion.

Chairman Covelli asked for all those in favor to signify so by stating Aye.
 Commissioners: Allen, Levine, Taukus, and Covelli all stated Aye
 Commissioners: Siesta and Conlon Absent

MOTION CARRIED

ADJOURNMENT

Motion was made to adjourn the meeting.

MOTION Moved by Mr. Taukus, 2nd by Mr. Levine to adjourn this meeting

Chairman Covelli asked for all those in favor to signify so by stating Aye.
 Commissioners: Allen, Levine, Taukus, and Covelli all stated Aye
 Commissioners: Siesta and Conlon Absent

MOTION CARRIED

The meeting was adjourned at 6:35PM
 Minutes respectfully submitted by,

Elizabeth Parrinello

Elizabeth Parrinello, Recording Secretary
 APPROVED 01-22-20 REGULAR MEETING
 MOTION CARRIED – SEE BELOW

Commissioner	Motion	Second	Ayes	Nays	Abstain	Absent
Allen			x			
Conlon						x
Levine	x		x			
Taukus		x	x			
Covelli			x			