

WANAQUE VALLEY REGIONAL SEWERAGE AUTHORITY

July 27, 2022

Regular Public Meeting

CALLED TO ORDER BY CHAIRMAN COVELLI – 6:05 pm

Chairman Covelli, read the following announcement:

This is the Regular meeting of the Wanaque Valley Regional Sewerage Authority, Wednesday, June 22, 2022, is in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act, Chapter 231, P.L. 1975, with all the notices required therein having been made 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 asked all to stand for the Salute to the Flag.

Ms. Parrinello – unable to connect due do internet issues.

Chairman Covelli asked for a roll call, Mr. Eskilson called the roll call.

ROLL CALL

Commissioner Present via Zoom: Herb Allen, Matthew Conlon, Michael Gerst, Michael Levine  
Ted Taukus, and Frank Covelli

Present via Zoom: Michael Roder–Executive Director/Licensed Operator–WVRSA–Chapman ES  
William Bailey, Esq. – Huntington Bailey, LLP  
Giselle Diaz – Boswell Engineering  
Kevin Gormley – WVRSA Shift Supervisor  
John Eskilson – Business Administrator–Civitas New Jersey LLC

REPORTS

INTERIM EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR / LICENSED OPERATOR REPORT

Mr. Roeder reported the WVRSA laboratory certificate has been processed and a Certificate and Annual Certified Parameter List that reflects the current status of the facility has been renewed for our fiscal year 2023,

Mr. Roeder explained a Compliance Evaluation and Assistance Inspection was conducted on June 22, 2022, on Compliance Evaluation and Assistance Inspection report there were items of concerns. Mr. Roeder stated he will go over the violations in detail at next month's meeting.

Chairman Covelli asked the Board if there were any questions for Mr. Roeder, seeing none, Chairman Covelli called for the Engineering Report.

ENGINEERING REPORT

Ms. Diaz stated she and Mr. Roeder are working with Bond Counsel on the NJIB short term finance closing, everything is moving along.

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SHIFT SUPERVISOR

Mr. Gormley reported that the plant is operating well, Mr. Gormley stated they have begun to work on the sides of the road, clearing out old bush and removing excess vegetation.

LEGAL REPORT

Mr. Bailey of Huntington Bailey, LLP, stated that he will hold his report for closed session.

Chairman Covelli moved to the approval of the June 22, 2022 minutes.

REVIEW / APPROVAL OF MINUTES

June 22, 2022 – Regular minutes

Chairman Covelli stated that the Commissioners have copies of the Regular June 22, 2022 minutes in their files and asked if they all have had time to review them. All stated yes.

The following motion was made:

MOTION Moved by Mr. Conlon, 2nd by Mr. Allen to approve and accept the meeting minutes of Regular June 22, 2022.

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

MOTION CARRIED

**Resolution 22-55** - Accepting and Authorizing Payment of Bills in the amount of \$554,887.80 in accordance with procedures established under Resolution #22-56

MOTION Moved by Mr. Levine, 2nd by Mr. Allen to approve and accept Resolution #22-56 in the amount of \$ \$554,887.80.

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

MOTION CARRIED

OLD BUSINESS - None

NEW BUSINESS - None

PUBLIC COMMENT

Chairman Covelli stated, we will open for public comment, stated that seeing no one from the public in the waiting room, he asked for a motion to close the public portion, the following motion was made.

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EXECUTIVE SESSION: Chairman Covelli stated at this time the Authority will be going into Closed Session according to the Open Public Meeting Act, Mr. Bailey stated yes, we need to close and go in to Closed Session for the purpose of discussing potential litigation pursuant to Sub Section 7 of the Open Public Meeting Act.

Chairman Covelli asked for a motion to close and go into executive session

MOTION Moved by Mr. Allen, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mr. Taukus to close the public portion and go to executive session.

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

Motion was made to adjourn the meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION Moved by Mr. Taukus, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mr. Levine to adjourn the meeting.

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

MOTION CARRIED

The meeting was adjourned at 6:22PM

Minutes respectfully submitted by,

*Elizabeth Parrinello*

Elizabeth Parrinello, Recording Secretary

MOTION WAS MADE at the 08-24-22 Public Meeting - Approved

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