

WANAQUE VALLEY REGIONAL SEWERAGE AUTHORITY

March 27, 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 – 6:02pm

Vice-Chairman Taukus, 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

Vice-Chairman Taukus lead the Authority in the Salute to the Flag.
Vice-Chairman Taukus asked for a roll call.

ROLL CALL

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

Commissioners Absent: Frank Covelli,

Also Present: John Eskilson – Interim Executive Director
Giselle Diaz, P.E. – Boswell Engineering
Elizabeth Parrinello – Recording Secretary

CORRESPONDENCE LIST

Vice-Chairman Taukus asked if there were any correspondences, Mr. Eskilson replied that there were none.

REVIEW / APPROVAL OF MINUTES

February 27, 2019 – Reorganization Meeting Minutes

Vice-Chairman Taukus stated that the Commissioners have a copy of February 27, 2019 minutes in their files and asked if they have had time to review them.

MOTION Moved by Mr. Matt Conlon, 2nd by Mr. Allen to approve and accept the meeting minutes of February 27, 2019.

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

MOTION CARRIED

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REPORTS

INTERIM EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

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

Mr. Eskilson reported to the Board that the "Beast 2" has been delivered and the installation should take place the beginning of next week.

Mr. Eskilson moved to the dashboard report, stating that the Authority's energy cost have double over the past months, the last two months was over \$100,000.00 which is off the chart and tracking at 100% over. Mr. Eskilson stated, that there needed to be a more in-depth analysis, Mr. Eskilson stated he asked Boswell Engineering's energy engineer, to look at the last several months of invoice's from J.C.P. & L. to see if anything could be identified as a cause of this dramatic increase. Mr. Eskilson stated he was happy to report that the meter portion were being carried over and being double charge. We are in the process of reporting the findings to the appropriate representatives at J.C.P. & L.

Mr. Eskilson reported that the septage hauler revenue declined for the fourth straight month, revenue year to date is down 20%, at the current trajectory. revenues will fall short \$170K. Mr. Levine asked what could be the cause of the reduced, Mr. Eskilson stated that he was sure why but would be tracking it very closely.

Mr. Eskilson stated the NJDEP has issued a Notice of Capacity Assurance Program (CAP) Threshold Exceedance, it was determined that the Authority has reached or exceeded 95 percent of its permitted flow and are required to submit a CAP report. Mr. Eskilson explained it is highly probably that almost all of the excess flow is caused by infiltration and inflow of storm water into the Borough's collection system. (Discussion continued)

ENGINEERING REPORT

Ms. Diaz stated the Beast 2 is on site and will be installed next week.

LEGAL REPORT - None

AUDITOR - None

PAYMENT OF BILLS

Vice-Chairman Taukus asked if any of Commissioners had any questions on vouchers, Mr. Levine and Mr. Siesta stated that all vouchers were in order.

Resolution 19-38 - Accepting and Authorizing Payment of Bills Resolution #19-38

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MOTION Moved by Mr. Levine, 2nd by Mr. Conlon to approve and accept Resolution #19-38 in the amount of \$304,225.30.

Vice-Chairman Taukus asked for all those in favor to signify so by stating Aye.

Commissioners: Allen, Conlon, Levine, Siesta, and Taukus all stated Aye

Commissioner: Covelli Absent

MOTION CARRIED

OLD BUSINESS – 2019 Disposal Rates

Mr. Eskilson stated that he had spoke with Chairman Covelli and the Chairman asked if the Board would hold this until the next public meeting. Vice-Chairman Taukus asked if anyone objected to holding the 2019 disposal rates. Hearing and seeing none, Vice-Chairman Taukus moved to new business.

NEW BUSINESS - None

PUBLIC COMMENT

Mr. Larry Jankner - Wanaque Reserve, building 10, Wanaque, NJ – Mr. Jankner asked about Beast 2 and asked if the haulers were still going to be dumping up front. Ms. Diaz replied to Mr. Jankner, stating no they were only dumping up front while work in the back was being done. Mr. Jankner there were three (3) reported complaints, which were all due to early arrival and the noise of haulers. Mr. Jankner asked the Board if they would consider changing hours of operation – possibly changing it to 8:00 am. Mr. Jankner stated the residents have concerns about additional noise levels with more truckers being able to dump at once. (Discussion continued)

Joyce Hartman – Wanaque Reserve, building 10, Ms. Hartman reported that trucks were idling on the roadway, Ms. Hartman notified Greg of the trucker. Ms. Hartman stated that Greg would remind the haulers that idling is not permitted on the roadway.

Dominick Cortellessa – Wanaque Reserve, Building 5, Counselman Cortellessa and President of Wanaque Association - Mr. Cortellessa asked Mr. Eskilson if the Authority tracks the haulers has the come into the Authority, Mr. Eskilson stated yes, explaining for the public the procedure the haulers follow. (Dicussion continued). At the end of the discussion Mr. Eskilson stated he would look into the number of trucks that enter between 6 – 8 am and report back next month.

Mr. Cortellessa stated being the President of Wanaque Association he has been receiving several calls regarding the noise and idling. Mr. Cortellessa stated he would like the Authority to take a look at what can be done to improve on the noise and idling situation.

Motion was made to close the public portion.

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

Commissioner Levine asked for all those in favor to signify so by stating Aye.

Commissioners: Levine, Taukus, Allen, and Conlon all stated Aye

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ADJOURNMENT

Motion was made to adjourn the meeting.

MOTION Moved by Mr. Conlon, 2nd by Mr. Siesta to adjourn this meeting

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

MOTION CARRIED

The meeting was adjourned at 6:20PM
 Minutes respectfully submitted by,

Elizabeth Parrinello

Elizabeth Parrinello, Recording Secretary

APPROVED 04-24-19 REGULAR MEETING

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