# RARITAN TOWNSHIP MUNICIPAL UTILITIES AUTHORITY REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

#### **NOVEMBER 16, 2023**

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# 1. MEETING CALLED TO ORDER AT 5:00 PM

The meeting of the Raritan Township Municipal Utilities Authority (RTMUA) was called to order stating that the meeting had been advertised in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act setting forth the time with the RTMUA office as the place of said meeting. It was further stated that a copy of the Agenda was posted on the RTMUA office bulletin board.

# 2. ATTENDANCE ROLL CALL:

Mr. Anclien

Here

Mr. Hazard

Here

Mr. Scipione

Here (arrived at 5:01 pm)

Mr. Sipos

Here

Mr. Tully

Here

Also present were Raymond Frank, RTMUA Chief Operator; Regina Nicaretta, RTMUA Executive Secretary; Dan Madden, PE, Johnson, Mirmiran and Thompson; Jason Sena, Esquire, Archer & Greiner.

# 3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

#### 4. APPLICATIONS:

None

Mr. Hazard – We are going to move the Agenda around a little bit tonight, we are going to move Citizen's Privilege to the beginning, we are going to go through the Agenda as it stands and then we have Mr. Tyler calling in with an extra Agenda for Closed Session and some other discussions regarding Human Resources, Personnel Matters etc. With that said we have Mrs. Patricia DeLaney here representing Del – Pat Properties, LLC.

Mrs. DeLaney discussed property owned by Del – Pat Properties, LLC and the capacity reserved for it and inquired if there was any other capacity she could reserve for it because she had a potential purchaser for the property.

Mr. Hazard explained the reason her request had to be denied.

Discussion followed on the potential purchaser's property being contiguous to Del – Pat Properties, LLC's property and RTMUA policy regarding that.

#### 5. RESOLUTIONS:

Resolution #2023 - 66 Authorization for Termination of Performance Bond

Emerald Sky, LLC (Enclave at Raritan) Block 9 Lot

17.02

Mr. Anclien made a motion to approve Resolution #2023 – 66, Mr. Tully seconded the motion.

Roll call vote: Mr. Anclien - Yes

Mr. Hazard - Yes Mr. Scipione - Yes Mr. Sipos - Yes Mr. Tully - Yes

Resolution #2023 - 67 Return of Legal & Engineering and Inspection Escrow Deposit

Mr. Tully made a motion to approve Resolution #2023 – 67, Mr. Anclien seconded the motion.

Roll call vote: Mr. Anclien - Yes

Mr. Hazard - Yes Mr. Scipione - Yes Mr. Sipos - Yes Mr. Tully - Yes RTMUA 11/16/23 Regular Meeting Page 3 of 8

Resolution #2023 - 68

Approval of Payment Application #6 Final Payment and Change Order #1 Replacement of Sludge Holding

Tank #1

(Change Order Amount = \$4,470.40)

Mr. Tully made a motion to approve Resolution #2023 – 68, Mr. Anclien seconded the motion.

Roll call vote:

Mr. Anclien Yes Mr. Hazard Yes Mr. Scipione Yes Mr. Sipos Yes Mr. Tully Yes

Resolution #2023 - 69

Acceptance of Bid and Award of Contract to Sovereign Consulting, Inc. Flemington Wet Weather Facility Equalization Tank Rehabilitation and Facility Flow Metering Improvements (Contract #23 – 1)

(Contract Amount = \$110,775.00)

Mr. Anclien made a motion to approve Resolution #2023 - 69, Mr. Tully seconded the motion.

Roll call vote:

Mr. Anclien Yes Mr. Hazard Yes Mr. Scipione Yes Mr. Sipos Yes Mr. Tully Yes

Mr. Hazard - We will discuss Resolutions #2023 - 70, #2023 - 71 and #2023 - 72 in Closed Session and there will be action on them after Closed Session.

#### **6.** Approval of Minutes: Minutes of October 19, 2023

Mr. Scipione made a motion to approve the minutes from the October 19, 2023 meeting. Mr. Sipos seconded the motion.

Roll call vote: Mr. Anclien - Yes

Mr. Hazard - Yes Mr. Scipione - Yes Mr. Sipos - Yes Mr. Tully - Yes

# 7. Treasurer's Report / Payment of Bills:

Mr. Anclien - The bills totaled \$528,564.40; everything appears to be in order. For the month of November, we are at 75.31%.

Mr. Tully made a motion to approve the payment of bills. Mr. Sipos seconded the motion.

Roll call vote: Mr. Anclien - Yes

Mr. Hazard - Yes Mr. Scipione - Yes Mr. Sipos - Yes Mr. Tully - Yes

#### 8. Citizens' Privilege:

Previously discussed.

#### 9. Adjourn into Closed Session by Motion, if Needed

#### 10. Adjournment of Regular Meeting:

Mr. Sipos made a motion to adjourn the Regular Meeting. Mr. Scipione seconded the motion. All were in favor.

# RARITAN TOWNSHIP MUNICIPAL UTILITIES AUTHORITY WORK SESSION MINUTES



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1. <u>The Work Session</u> of the Raritan Township Municipal Utilities Authority will be called to order upon the adjournment of the Regular Meeting.

#### 2. Correspondence:

a) Patricia DeLaney of Del – Pat Properties, LLC to Regina Nicaretta of RTMUA regarding Capacity Block 16.01 Lot 16.05

Previously Discussed

## 3. <u>Unfinished Business:</u>

None

#### 4. New Business:

None

## 5. Professional Reports:

a) Attorney –

To discuss in Closed Session

b) Engineer -

Mr. Madden discussed the FWWF project, the paving project, the NJ Infrastructure Bank projects, flows, the SHT and developer reviews.

# 6. RTMUA REPORTS:

- a) ADMINISTRATIVE / OPERATIONS REPORT
  - 1. Chief Operator / Director's Report

Mr. Frank discussed the items in his report.

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- 2. Laboratory Summary ok
- 3. Maintenance Summary ok
- 4. Readington Flows

#### b) COMMISSIONERS' COMMENTS

None

#### 7. Discussion:

a) Agreed Upon Procedures Report – Connection Fee

It was discussed that the Connection Fee went down \$50.00 for 2024 and that it would be part of the Rate Hearing in December.

b) Accessory Apartment Allocations

The Board discussed the Memo from Mr. Jeff Vaccarella, Township Planner regarding the sewer allocation for accessory apartments and the availability of capacity for accessory apartments if needed.

Mr. Hazard thanked Mr. Frank for his service in having taken over the Executive Director role the past few years and made the announcement that Mr. Sciss will be taking over the role of Executive Director as of December 1, 2023.

# 8. Adjourn into Closed Session by Motion, if Needed

Chair Tully – We will be going into Closed Session to discuss Contractual Matters with Readington Township, Litigation Matters and Personnel Matters; we do not anticipate any official action will need to be taken once we come out of Closed Session.

Mr. Tully made a motion to adjourn into Closed Session for the above stated purpose and Mr. Anclien seconded the motion. Closed Session was from 5:28 pm – 6:51pm.

Work session resumed at 6:52 pm.

Resolution #2023 - 70 Resolution Approving Revised Job Description for the Position of Executive Director

#### RESOLUTION REMOVED

Resolution #2023 - 71 Resolution Approving Salary Increase of Maintenance Supervisor Michael Sciss

Mr. Anclien made a motion to approve Resolution #2023 – 71, Mr. Tully seconded the motion.

Roll call vote: Mr. Anclien - Yes

Mr. Hazard - Yes Mr. Scipione - Yes Mr. Sipos - Yes Mr. Tully - Yes

Resolution #2023-72 Appointing Michael Sciss as Part – Time Executive

Director

Mr. Tully made a motion to approve Resolution #2023 – 72, Mr. Hazard seconded the motion.

Roll call vote: Mr. Anclien - Yes

Mr. Hazard - Yes Mr. Scipione - Yes Mr. Sipos - Yes Mr. Tully - Yes

Resolution #2023-73 Extending Stipend of Raymond Frank

Mr. Tully made a motion to approve Resolution #2023 – 73, Mr. Hazard seconded the motion.

Roll call vote: Mr. Anclien - Yes

Mr. Hazard - Yes Mr. Scipione - Yes Mr. Sipos - Yes Mr. Tully - Yes RTMUA 11/16/23 Work Session Page 8 of 8

Resolution #2023-74 Approving Salary Adjustments for Non – Aligned Employees

Mr. Anclien made a motion to approve Resolution #2023 - 74, Mr. Tully seconded the motion.

Roll call vote: Mr. Anclien - Yes

Mr. Hazard - Yes Mr. Scipione - Yes Mr. Sipos - Yes Mr. Tully - Yes

# 9. Adjournment of Work Session:

Mr. Tully made a motion to adjourn the Work Session. Mr. Anclien seconded the motion. All were in favor. The Meeting ended at 7:06 pm.