## PEQUANNOCK, LINCOLN PARK AND FAIRFIELD SEWERAGE AUTHORITY REGULAR MEETING MINUTES July 12, 2023

The Regular Meeting of the Pequannock, Lincoln Park and Fairfield Sewerage Authority was held on Wednesday, July 12, 2023 at 4:30 p.m. in the Administration Building, 188 Lincoln Boulevard, Lincoln Park, New Jersey. Secretary Notte called the meeting to order at 4:32 p.m.

## ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Raymond Verdonik, Robert Voorman, Arthur Schmidt, David Runfeldt, (arrived

4:33 p.m.), Thomas Boorady, Jerry Notte, Anthony Campisi

Absent:

**David Kohle** 

Also Present:

Thomas Bongiovanni, Executive Director; Ernest DeGraw, Plant Superintendent; Brian Carey, Authority Engineer; Karen Napolitano, Secretary; John Napolitano,

Victoria Holmes, Cleary Giacobbe; John Scheri, Mott MacDonald

#### OPEN MEETING STATEMENT

Adequate notice of this meeting has been provided in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act by filing written Notice and Agenda with the Authority Secretary and Municipal Clerks of Lincoln Park, Fairfield and Pequannock, and the Pequannock River Basin Regional Sewerage Authority, by having said notice and agenda posted on the public bulletin boards in the respective municipal buildings and by serving notice thereof to The Progress, Herald News, Record, and Suburban Trends newspapers.

# MINUTES APPROVAL: June 14, 2023 (Regular Meeting)

Mr. Voorman called for a motion to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes of June 14, 2023, seconded by Mr. Schmidt.

AYES: Voorman, Schmidt, Verdonik, Boorady, Notte

ABSTAINED: Campisi ABSENT: Runfeldt, Kohle

#### REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

#### **FINANCE**

Mr. Notte referred to the Treasurer's Report for the month of July (copy attached), the monthly financial reports for Mott MacDonald and Cleary Giacobbe, and the vouchers. He recommended the vouchers be paid as presented.

#### PURCHASING and PERSONNEL

Mr. Campisi had nothing to report.

#### PLANT OPERATIONS

Mr. Schmidt referred to the Operations Report on the table. Mr. DeGraw reported that the plant is running well. Mr. Bongiovanni reported that new energy rates became effective in June and the energy bills are now significantly lower.

#### PLANNING and EXPANSION

Mr. Boorady had nothing to report.

## **CONSTRUCTION**

Mr. Verdonik had nothing to report.

## **INSURANCE and LEGISLATIVE REVIEW**

Mr. Voorman had nothing to report.

#### **LEGAL and PUBLIC RELATIONS**

Mr. Runfeldt had nothing to report.

#### MANAGEMENT REPORT

Mr. Bongiovanni noted that the Service Agreement Committee will be meeting following this meeting.

## **ENGINEER'S REPORT**

Mr. Scheri referred to the monthly Engineer's Report provided and brought the members up-to-date on all on-going projects.

## **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

None

## **NEW BUSINESS: Preliminary FY 2024 Budget**

Ms. Napolitano referred to the Preliminary 2024 Budget on the table. She reviewed the budget approval and adoption schedule. She then proceeded to review the highlights of the budget, noting that the Capital Budget is being developed and will be presented in August. Ms. Napolitano noted that the overall impact on Participant charges is a 1.6% increase over the 2023 budget. She discussed changes in expenses from the 2023 Budget, noting the following increases. The contribution to the Reserve for Capital Improvements is set at \$500,000, after being eliminated in 2023 due to escalating costs. Administration expenses are budgeted higher in 2024 by about 4.6% due to salary and benefits increases. Operating salaries and benefits are up 12.6% due to an additional staff position, salary increases, and anticipated increases in healthcare premiums. Energy costs are down by 20%. Overall expenses are up 3.7% and revenues are up significantly due to an increase in interest rates.

## **CORRESPONDENCE**

All members received copies of the correspondence prior to the meeting. All correspondence is on file with the Authority Secretary. Mr. Notte noted the Lab Certification Approval, and he commended the lab manager and staff for a job well done.

#### PUBLIC DISCUSSION

There was no public present.

#### RESOLUTIONS

<u>RESOLUTION #23-037</u>: Authorize Participation in a Cooperative Pricing System with the Educational Services Commission of New Jersey

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-11(5) authorizes contracting units to establish a Cooperative Pricing System and to enter into Cooperative Pricing Agreements for its administration; and

WHEREAS, the Educational Services Commission of New Jersey, hereinafter referred to as the "Lead Agency" has offered voluntary participation in a Cooperative Pricing System for the purchase of goods and services; and

WHEREAS, on July 12, 2023 the Pequannock, Lincoln Park and Fairfield Sewerage Authority duly considered participation in a Cooperative Pricing System for the provision and performance of goods and services;

**NOW THEREFORE**, be it Resolved by the Pequannock, Lincoln Park and Fairfield Sewerage Authority as follows:

1. **TITLE.** This Resolution shall be known and may be cited as the Cooperative Pricing Resolution of the Pequannock, Lincoln Park and Fairfield Sewerage Authority.

- 2. **AUTHORITY.** Pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 40A:11-11(5), the Executive Director is hereby authorized to enter into a Cooperative Pricing Agreement with the Lead Agency.
- 3. **CONTRACTING UNIT.** The Lead Agency shall be responsible for complying with the provisions of the Local Public Contracts Law (N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq.) and all other provisions of the revised statutes of the State of New Jersey.
  - 4. **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This resolution shall take effect immediately upon passage.
- 5. **CERTIFICATION.** I hereby, certify that the above resolution was adopted by the Pequannock, Lincoln Park and Fairfield Sewerage Authority at a meeting of said governing body held on July 12, 2023.

MOTIONED BY: Mr. Boorady; SECONDED BY: Mr. Voorman

AYES: Boorady, Voorman, Verdonik, Schmidt, Runfeldt, Notte, Campisi

ABSENT: Kohle

# RESOLUTION #23-038: Operating Vouchers Approval (copy attached)

MOTIONED BY: Mr. Runfeldt; SECONDED BY: Mr. Campisi

AYES: Runfeldt, Campisi, Verdonik, Voorman, Schmidt, Boorady, Notte

ABSENT: Kohle

# RESOLUTION #23-039: Construction Vouchers Approval (copy attached)

MOTIONED BY: Mr. Schmidt; SECONDED BY: Mr. Boorady

AYES: Schmidt, Boorady, Verdonik, Voorman, Runfeldt, Notte, Campisi

ABSENT: Kohle

## <u>ADJOURNMENT</u>

There being no further business to come before the Authority, on motion by Mr. Schmidt, seconded by Mr. Boorady, and all in favor, the meeting was adjourned at 4:46 p.m.

Jerry J. Notte, Secretary Dated: July 12, 2023

Karen Napolitano, Recording Secretary

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# PEQUANNOCK, LINCOLN PARK AND FAIRFIELD SEWERAGE AUTHORITY

## TREASURER'S REPORT

Board Meeting 7/12/23

# Period Ending June 30, 2023

## **ACCOUNT BALANCES:**

OPERATIONS AND ADMINISTRATION Revenue Account Certificates of Deposit - Revenue Operating Checking Account Payroll Checking Account Renewal & Replacement Certificates of Deposit - R&R	\$8,570,334.74 \$7,105,790.38 75,816.96 231,957.56 1,540,045.19 4,000,000.00	\$21,523,944.83	
CONSTRUCTION AND GENERAL Construction Improvements Certificates of Deposit - Construction General	\$1,852,492.12 \$4,000,000.00 	5,852,492.12	
TOTAL FUNDS JUNE 30, 2023		\$27,376,436.95	
MONTHLY EXPENDITURES:			
OPERATIONS AND ADMINISTRATION Operating Bills Payroll - Salaries & Wages - Benefits - Taxes	\$305,665.33 * 189,333.77 43,376.63 * 13,768.45	\$552,144.18	
CONSTRUCTION		14,621.55*	
TOTAL EXPENDITURES FOR JUNE 2023	*	\$305,665.33 * 189,333.77 43,376.63 * 13,768.45 \$552,144.18	

<sup>\*</sup> Amount shown has not been deducted from above account balances.

Raymond Verdonik, Treasurer

Karen Napolitano, Secretary to the Board

## OPERATING RESOLUTION #23-038

BE IT RESOLVED, by The Pequannock, Lincoln Park and Fairfield Sewerage Authority, that the bills on the list annexed hereto and made a part hereof be approved for payment and that after Voucher #23784 through #23865 have been approved by the Chairman or the Treasurer, the Treasurer shall issue warrants in payment thereof, when there are sufficient funds available to meet them.

Payee	Check #	Voucher #	Amount	Description	Account
Accurate Pest Control, Inc.		23784	604.17	Pest Control/Jun'23 & Plant Insect Control	51.41
AllMax Software, Inc.		23785	1,000.00	Wastewater Data Conversion Upgrade	51.52
American Wear		23786		Uniforms	51.43
AP/Certified Testing		23787	500.00	Field Test/Backflow Preventor/Plant & PS'	51.65
Blue Diamond Disposal, Inc.		23788		Garbage Disposal (6/1-7/31)	51.51
Borough of Lincoln Park Water		23789		Two Bridges Hydrants (3/1-5/31/23)	51.14
Clark Transmission Co.		23790		V-Belts/Shop Supplies	51.31
Cleary Giacobbe Alfieri Jacobs, LLC		23791		General & Retainer/May'23	51.58
Cooper Electric Supply Co.		23792		EMT Hangers/Shop Supplies	51.31
Costello's Hardware		23793		Shop Supplies	51.31
Costello's Hardware				Paint Brushes/Shop Supplies	51.35
Costello's Hardware				Grass Seed/Weed Killer	51.54
Donna Peteja		23794		Retiree Health Benefits/Jul'23	21.12R
Engineered Solutions Corp.		23795		Computer Support/Operations	51.52
Engineered Solutions Corp.		20,00		Instrumentation Troubleshooting	51.56
Direct Energy		23796	'	Plant Electric	51.11
Direct Energy		20,00		Pumpstation Electric	51.12
Fairfield Maintenance Inc.		23797		Monthly UST Inspection/May'23	51.65
Field Environmental Instruments		23798		Analyzer Rental	51.38
Fisher Scientific		23799		Chemicals/Lab	51.42
Garden State Laboratories		23800	l .	Chemical Analysis/May'23	51.65
GenServe Inc.		23801		Service/ATS PM/Pumpstations	51.33
Grainger, Inc.		23802		Shop Tools & Supplies	51.31
Grainger, Inc.		20002		Respirator Masks/Oxygen Sensors/Signs	51.44
Harrah's Atlantic City		23803		NJWEA Conference	31.21
Home Depot		23804	1	Analyzer Parts/Lumber/Operations	51.31
Home Depot		23004		Dish Soap/Dusters/Operations	51.41
Home Depot	4			Trimmer Line/Pruning Blades/Operations	51.54
Idexx Laboratories		23805		Collert/Quanti-Trays/Lab	51.42
JCI Jones Chemicals, Inc.		23806		Sodium Hypochlorite	51.23
JDA Contracting		23807		Install City Hydrant/Repairs/Landscape	61.10
Jersey Central Power & Light		23808		Plant Electric	51.11
Jersey Central Power & Light		23000		Pumpstation Electric	51.12
Loraine Tuohey		23809		Retiree Health Benefits June & July'23	21.12R
McMaster-Carr Supply Co.		23810		Enclosure/Channel Brackets/Light Bulbs	51.31
		23811		Retiree Health Benefits Jul'23	21.12R
Michael E. Solla					51.31
Miller Energy Inc.		23812		Flowmeter/Ammonia Analyzer	61.10
Miller Energy Inc.		23813		Mag Meter/Pressure Filters	
Miller Energy Inc.		23814		Qtly Calibration/PS Flowmeters	51.56
Mott MacDonald Group, Inc.		23815		General Consuting/Jun'23	51.63
Mott MacDonald Group, Inc.		23816		Solids Disposal Building Boiler	61.25e
New Jersey Hills Media Group		23817	1	Legal Notice/Contract Award/MM	31.32
New Jersey Manufacturers Ins. Co.		23818		Workers Compensation	51.48
Omni Services, Inc.		23819		Hose/Barb Fittings/Shop Supplies	51.31
One Call Concepts		23820		One Call Messages/Jun'23	51.62
One Water Consulting		23821	1	PFAS Monitoring Consulting Services June	51.65
Optimum (Cablevision)		23822		Internet Service (6/16-7/15/23)	31.35
Pace Analytical Services, LLC		23823		PFAS Testing	51.65
Passaic Valley Sewerage		23824		Liquid Sludge Disposal (6/1-6/30/23)	51.55D
Pitney Bowes Credit Corp.		23825		Postage Meter Lease/Apr-Jul'23	31.34
Precision Electric Motor Works, Inc.		23826		Install Gear Box & Test/1st Stg Aerator#6	51.32
Primepoint, LLC	1	23827	233.64	Payroll Processing/Jun'23	31.38

Payee	Check #	Voucher #	Amount	Description	Accoun
DOE 9 C		23828	2 840 82	Fairfield & Jane Roads	51.12
PSE&G		23829		Glenroy Road	51.12
PSE&G		23830		Sludge Removal (6/1-6/30/23)	51.55H
R&D Trucking		23831		Megalug Restraint/City Hydrant	51.31
Raritan Supply Company		23832		Stainless Pipe/DPS Grease Control	51.31
Raritan Supply Company		23833	3 700 95	Repl/Mueller Bury Hydrant/City Water Hydrant	61.10
Raritan Supply Company		23834		Replace Old Plug Valves	61.10
Raritan Supply Company		23835		Water/Jun'23	51.14
ReadyRefresh		23836		Lawn Maintenance/Jun'23	51.54
Recchia Landscaping, Inc		23837		Retiree Health Benefits/Jul'23	21.12R
Robert N. Bongiovanni		23865		Parts/Sludge Transfer Pump	51.31
Sherwood-Logan & Associates				Safety & Health Training/May'23	51.64
Skyline Environmental, Inc.		23838		RTK Survey Reports	51.64
Skyline Environmental, Inc.		23839		Health & Dental Benefits	21.12
State of NJ/Pensions & Benefits		23840			51.54
Structural Stone & Brick Co., Inc.		23841		River Stone & Clean Gravel	51.43
TBSA/Brian Carey		23842		Safety Boots	51.43
TBSA/Greg Daly		23843		Safety Boots	51.47
TBSA/Karen Napolitano	1	23844		Retirement Lunch/J. DeBonte	51.43
TBSA/Matthew Cheringal	1	23845		Safety Boots	31.43
TBSA/Petty Cash		23846		Mileage/Bank	31.36
TBSA/Petty Cash			1	Food/Board Meeting (6/14)	51.42
TBSA/Petty Cash				lce/Lab	
TBSA/Petty Cash			l .	DeBonte Retirement/Cake & Supplies	51.47 51.43
TBSA/Richard Walter		23847		Hi-Voltage Safety Boots	51.43
TBSA/Robert Villanova		23848		Safety Boots	
Technical Components Co., Inc.		23849		Spare Rotork Parts/CPS F/M Actuator	51.31
Technical Components Co., Inc.		23850		Replace Pinch Valves/Thickeners	61.10
Technical Components Co., Inc.		23851		Rotork Actuator/Pressure Filter	61.10
Township of Fairfield	}	23852		Water/DPS & JPS (4/1-7/1/23)	51.14
United Business Systems/LEAF		23853		Canon Copier Lease	31.31
United Equipment & Fabricators		23854		Fabricate Shaft Sleeves/Sludge Pumps	51.31
USA Blue Book		23855		DPD Packets/Lab	51.42
USALCO Baltimore Plant, LLC	1	23856		Polyaluminum Chloride	51.25
Verizon		23857		Telephone 6/13-7/27/23	31.35
Verizon Wireless	1	23858		PS Modems	31.37
Verner-Cadby Ford		23859		Tailgate Handle/Ranger Pickup	51.36
W. B. Mason Co., Inc.		23860		HP Color Printer/Admin	31.31
W. B. Mason Co., Inc.				Office Supplies	31.33
Wallington Plumbing & Heating		23861		PVC Piping/Couplings/Valves/Shop Supplies	51.31
Wayne Auto Supply		23862		Batteries/Substation Auto Air Switch Controls	51.31
Wayne Auto Supply				2 Windshield Wash/Trucks	51.36
William Murphy		23863	700.00	Retiree Health Benefits/Jul'23	21.12
Wright National Flood Insurance		23864	1,797.0	Flood Insurance Renewal (8/18/23-8/18/24)	51.48

2023 BUDGET TOTAL

358,203.04

IT IS HEREBY CERTIFIED, this is a true and correct copy of a Resolution adopted on Roll Call at a Regular Meeting of the Pequannock, Lincoln Park and Fairfield Sewerage Authority held on July 12, 2023.

Dated: July 12, 2023

David G. Kohle, Chairman

Raymond Verdonik, Treasurer

Karen Napolitano, Secretary to the Board

# CONSTRUCTION RESOLUTION #23-039

BE IT RESOLVED, by The Pequannock, Lincoln Park and Fairfield Sewerage Authority, that the bills on the list annexed hereto and made a part hereof be approved for payment and that after Voucher #1070 through #1071 have been approved by the Chairman or the Treasurer, the Treasurer shall issue warrants in payment thereof, when there are sufficient funds available to meet them.

Payee	Check #	Voucher #	Amount	Description	Account
Engineered Solutions Corp. Miller Energy Inc.		1070 1071	,	Control Enhancements/Headworks Ammonia Analyzer/Effluent Monitoring	81.10 81.10

2023 BUDGET TOTAL

14,621.55

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Dated: July 12, 2023

David G. Kohle, Chairman

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