# WARREN COUNTY (PEQUEST RIVER) MUNICIPAL UTILITIES AUTHORITY

### MINUTES May 21, 2024

Chairwoman Napolitani called the regular meeting of the Warren County (Pequest River) Municipal Utilities Authority to order at 7:00 p.m. The meeting was held at the Authority's Administration building located at 199 Foul Rift Road, Belvidere, New Jersey.

#### Roll Call:

Laurel Napolitani, Chairwoman Joseph Roth, Vice Chairperson Angelo Accetturo, Treasurer Gerald Norton, Secretary Anne Marie Skoog

Also, in attendance: Kim Francisco, Authority CFO; Brian Tipton, Esq., Authority Legal Counsel; John Inscho, Executive Director; and Susan Wright, Administrative Assistant.

Chairwoman Napolitani led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance and then read the Introductory Statement.

#### **MINUTES**

Mr. Roth moved, and Ms. Skoog seconded to approve the minutes of the April 16, 2024 regular meeting, as presented. All in favor, except one abstention by Mr. Norton, motion passed.

#### CORRESPONDENCE

Mr. Norton recapped the correspondence listed below:

- Notice from Lavery, Selvaggi & Cohen on behalf of Whitetown Realty, LLC for an application to amend preliminary and final site plan approvals for the proposed 174,240 sf greenhouse and 158,400 sf packaging and distribution facility on property known as Block 30, Lots 8 & 11 located at 283 County Route 519 in the Township of White, County of Warren, N.J.
- Freshwater Wetlands and Flood Hazard Area Permit Application dated April 25, 2024 from Colliers Engineering & Design regarding Storm Damage Repair Location #2 on property known as Block 10, Lot 25; Block 18, Lot 69, Lommason Glen Road, White Township, County of Warren, NJ.

3. Freshwater Wetlands and Flood Hazard Area Permit Application dated May 14, 2024 from Colliers Engineering & Design regarding Storm Damage Repair Location #1 on property known as Block 10, Lot 21; Block 18, Lot 72, Lommason Glen Road, White Township, County of Warren, NJ.

#### **ENGINEER'S REPORT**

Mr. Donati and Mr. Wilkinson were not in attendance; however, their report was included in the agenda packets and reviewed. There were no questions or comments.

#### CFO'S REPORT

The FY2023 Audit and the Group Affidavit Form were provided to the commissioners. There were no negative findings, comments, or recommendations. Mr. Francisco presented the Resolution for approval of the FY2023 Audit.

Mr. Roth moved, and Ms. Skoog seconded to adopt Resolution #24-14, approving the Authority's FY2023 Audit. All in favor, motion passed.

Mr. Francisco summarized the monthly financial report.

Mr. Francisco advised that we still have a small amount of escrow money held for the Jaindl project, and that since the project is done, that money should be refunded to Jaindl. The Board agreed.

#### GENERAL COUNSEL'S REPORT

Mr. Tipton provided the Board with an outline for the special meeting scheduled for May 30, 2024. There were no questions or comments.

#### EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Mr. Inscho went over the engineering invoices for last month and advised the Board that the design portion of the sludge thickener is nearly complete.

He further advised that the roof at the Belvidere plant is leaking into the laboratory. He received several roofing estimates. After a brief discussion among the Board and Counsel, this project is an emergency repair, as it is leaking into the laboratory, and it needs to be fixed as soon as possible. Ms. Skoog moved to authorize Mr. Inscho to accept the lowest estimate. Mr. Norton seconded. All in favor, motion passed.

Pole Barn: Mr. Inscho received two quotes for the groundwork for the pole barn, Tom Bartha for \$30,275.00 and K&A for \$22,750.00. Ms. Skoog moved to authorize the lowest quote to begin the groundwork for the pole barn. Mr. Roth seconded. All in favor, motion passed.

Mr. Inscho and Chairwoman Napolitani have reviewed the Personnel Policy with the suggested changes/additions from our Attorney's office. The two will meet to discuss those changes one more time and then present the same to the Board, most likely at next month's meeting.

#### **AUTHORITY CHAIRWOMAN**

Chairwoman Napolitani reminded the Board one last time of the Special Meeting scheduled for Thursday, May 30<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 p.m. She advised that Ms. Wright will prepare an Agenda for that meeting.

#### **FINANCE**

Mr. Accetturo moved that Resolution #24-15 (Certificate No. 453: \$77,770.52) be approved to pay all bills from the Operating Fund, as presented. Mr. Norton seconded. All in favor, motion passed.

Mr. Accetturo moved that Resolution #24-16 (Certificate No. 457: \$27,166.50) be approved to pay all bills from the Capital Improvements Fund as presented. Ms. Skoog seconded. All in favor, motion passed.

#### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

There was no unfinished business.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

There was no new business.

#### PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

As there was no more business to come before the Authority, Mr. Roth moved for the meeting to be adjourned. The meeting was adjourned at 7:26 p.m.

Susan Wright
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Administrative Assistant

#### RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:5A-15 requires the governing body of each local authority to cause an annual audit of its accounts to be made, and

WHEREAS, the annual audit report for the fiscal year ended <u>2023</u> has been completed and filed with the <u>Warren County (Pequest River) Municipal Utilities Authority</u> pursuant to N.J.S.A.40A:5A-15, and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:5A-17, requires the governing body of each authority to, within 45 days of receipt of the annual audit, certify by resolution to the Local Finance Board that each member thereof has personally reviewed the annual audit report, and specifically the sections of the audit report entitled "General Comments" and "Recommendations," and has evidenced same by group affidavit in the form prescribed by the Local Finance Board, and

WHEREAS, the members of the governing body have received the annual audit and have personally reviewed the annual audit, and have specifically reviewed the sections of the annual audit report entitled "General Comments" and "Recommendations," in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:5A-17,

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the governing body of the **Warren County (Pequest River) Municipal Utilities** Authority hereby certifies to the Local Finance Board of the State of New Jersey that each governing body member has personally reviewed the annual audit report for the fiscal year ended **2023**, and specifically has reviewed the sections of the audit report entitled "General Comments" and "Recommendations," and has evidenced same by group affidavit in the form prescribed by the Local Finance Board.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the secretary of the authority is hereby directed to promptly submit to the Local Finance Board the aforesaid group affidavit, accompanied by a certified true copy of this resolution.

IT IS HEREBY CERTIFIED THAT THIS IS A TRUE COPY OF THERESOLUTION PASSED AT THE MEETING HELD ON May 21, 2024.

Gerald Norton, Secretary

May 21, 2024

Date

#### LOCAL AUTHORITIES GROUP AFFIDAVIT FORM

#### PRESCRIBED BY THE NEW JERSEY LOCAL FINANCE BOARD

#### AUDIT REVIEW CERTIFICATE

We, the members of the governing body of the <u>Warren County (Pequest River)</u> <u>Municipal Utilities Authority</u>, being of full age and being duly sworn according to law, upon our oath depose and say:

- 1. We are duly appointed/elected (cross out one) members of the **Board of the**Warren County (Pequest River) Municipal Utilities Authority.
- We certify, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:5A-17, that we have each reviewed the annual audit report for the fiscal year ended <u>2023</u>, and specifically the sections of the audit report entitled "General Comments" and "Recommendations."

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My Commission Expires August 21, 2024

#### **RESOLUTION:**

# EXPENDITURES FROM THE OPERATING FUND DURING THE MONTHS OF APRIL & MAY 2024

I HEREBY CERTIFY, that the bills listed on the attached Resolution of May 21, 2024, regarding payment of bills from the Operating Fund were for the operating expenses and were in accordance with the Authority's 2024 budget.

Gerald Norton, Secretary

Certificate No. OP 453

Dated: May 21, 2024

Moved by: Mr. Accetturo

Seconded by: Mr. Norton

Yes: <u>5</u>

No: <u>\$\phi\$</u>

Absent:  $\cancel{\square}$ 

### APPROVAL OF BILLS TO BE PAID FROM THE OPERATING FUND

Meeting: May 21, 2024

**BE IT RESOLVED,** that the following bills are approved by the Authority for payment from the Operating Fund in accordance with the Authority's Bond Resolution:

Vendor Invoices: Date:

Check #22062-22072: 04/25/24 \$1,752.03 Check #22073-22101: 05/20/24 \$76,018.49

Total: \$77,770.52

PENTAMATION DATE: 04/25/2024 TIME: 11:34:51 FUND - MUA01 - MUN UTILITY AUTH GEN FUND

MUNICIPAL UTILITY AUTHORITY CHECK REGISTER

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PENTAMATION DATE: 05/15/2024 TIME: 10:49:01

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#### **RESOLUTION:**

# EXPENDITURES FROM THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS FUND FOR THE MONTH OF APRIL, 2024

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the bills listed for CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS are in accordance with the Authority's budget.

Laurel Napolitani, Charrwoman

Gerald Norton, Secretary

Certificate No. CI 457

Dated: May 21, 2024

Moved by: Mr. Alletturo

Seconded by: Ms. SKooq

Yes \_5\_

No Ø

Abstain Ø

Absent Ø

## CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT BILLS LIST

Dated: May 21, 2024

CP Engineers – Sludge Thickener:	\$ 14,641.00
CP Engineers – NPW Pumping System:	\$ 9,046.00
CP Engineers – Scum Pipe Improvement	s: \$ 3,479.50
Total	al \$ 27,166.50

PENTAMATION DATE: 05/15/2024 TIME: 10:56:32

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