

**MANASQUAN RIVER REGIONAL SEWERAGE AUTHORITY
PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES
NOVEMBER 6, 2013**

An advertised Public Meeting of the Manasquan River Regional Sewerage Authority was called to order by Acting Chairman Gatto in the Authority's office, Havens Bridge Road, Howell, New Jersey at 5:00 p.m. Present: William J. Mehr, Esq., Mehr, LaFrance and Williams; Peter E. Kocsik, P.E., Hatch Mott MacDonald; Jerome A. Cevetello, Jr., Executive Director, Margaret Semblewski, Recording Secretary and the following commissioners as per the roll call.

The pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Following an opening statement regarding the "Open Public Meeting Act" pursuant to the Laws of 1975, Chapter 231, Acting Chairman Gatto requested a roll call.

ROLL CALL:

PRESENT: Mrs. DeSarno, Mr. Gatto, Mr. Golub, Mrs. McKenna, Mr. Savino,
Mr. Tantillo, Mr. Wilson and Mr. Daly

ABSENT: Mr. Morgan and Mr. Gartz

APPROVAL OF THE PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES HELD OCTOBER 16, 2013

Moved by Mr. Golub, seconded by Mr. DeSarno

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Mrs. DeSarno, Mr. Gatto, Mr. Golub, Mrs. McKenna, Mr. Savino,
Mr. Tantillo and Mr. Daly

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: Mr. Wilson

DISQUALIFY: None

ABSENT: Mr. Morgan and Mr. Gartz

ACCEPTANCE OF THE OCTOBER 2013 TREASURER'S REPORT AND APPROVAL OF THE TRANSFER OF \$270,000.00 FROM THE REVENUE ACCOUNT TO CHECKING

Moved by Mr. Wilson, seconded by Mr. Golub

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Mrs. DeSarno, Mr. Gatto, Mr. Golub, Mrs. McKenna, Mr. Savino,
Mr. Tantillo, Mr. Wilson and Mr. Daly

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

DISQUALIFY: None

ABSENT: Mr. Morgan and Mr. Gartz

APPROVAL OF THE PAYMENT OF THE BILL LIST VOUCHERS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$82,750.28

Moved by Mr. Wilson, seconded by Mr. Tantillo

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Mrs. DeSarno, Mr. Gatto, Mr. Golub, Mrs. McKenna, Mr. Savino,
Mr. Tantillo, Mr. Wilson and Mr. Daly
NAYS: None
ABSTAIN: None
DISQUALIFY: None
ABSENT: Mr. Morgan and Mr. Gartz

APPROVAL OF THE PAYMENT OF TRUSTEE CONSTRUCTION VOUCHERS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$11,760.00

Moved by Mrs. DeSarno, seconded by Mr. Tantillo

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Mrs. DeSarno, Mr. Gatto, Mr. Golub, Mrs. McKenna, Mr. Savino,
Mr. Tantillo, Mr. Wilson and Mr. Daly
NAYS: None
ABSTAIN: None
DISQUALIFY: None
ABSENT: Mr. Morgan and Mr. Gartz

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Engineering Committee: Jerry Cevetello stated that our engineer, Pete Kocsik is present tonight and will update the commissioners on the smoke testing that was performed on Monday on the five homes in Freewood Acres. Brian Brach, P.E., of Hatch Mott MacDonald and Allen Gaestel, Howell Township Plumbing Sub Code Official did the inspections in the houses.

Pete Kocsik, the Authority's engineer stated that at our last meeting, the commissioners authorized his office to coordinate with Howell Township on the smoke testing of the five individual homes on West 3rd Street that had issues with odors in their houses. Howell Township officials sent letters to the five individuals and set up a day for the testing to be performed, which was Monday, November 4th. Results were, two homes passed with no issues on their house plumbing; one of those two houses is not tied into our line, but into Howell Township's 12" sewer; a third house declined the testing, stating he had a plumber test prior and had issues that would be corrected and would notify us when it is ready for smoke testing. The two other houses showed issues with the plumbing when the smoke test was performed. One of the houses, although it passed the smoke test, under the house was a damp spot, where there was leakage previously and now have a sump pump under the house.

We wondered why people were complaining of odors in their houses, two of the homes had issues with their in house plumbing; two didn't. We started with the simplest diagnosis first with the smoke testing. The homeowners with plumbing issues need to make the repairs, which could

help with odors in their homes. Step one has been completed, the commissioners received a copy of the report for the smoke testing.

Jerry Cevetello stated that we have not received a written response to his letter from Howell regarding the sewers in Freewood Acres. Tom Savino stated that Howell Township has a consulting engineer coming up with cost estimates, with three scenarios, which will be presented to the township council to see what action they will take.

Personnel Committee: No report.

Finance Committee: No report.

Insurance Committee: No report.

Executive Director Report: Jerry Cevetello reported that we received the final payment from our insurance company regarding Hurricane Sandy for \$41,954.

Just a reminder, our December meeting is early, December 11, 2013.

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS: None

MEMBER'S COMMENTS: None

PUBLIC: Brian Brach of Hatch Mott MacDonald was present at tonight's meeting.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 5:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Olga McKenna
Secretary

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