



## Berkeley Township MUNICIPAL UTILITIES AUTHORITY

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A Public Meeting of the Berkeley Township Municipal Utilities Authority was held on Thursday, **August 22, 2024** at 7:00 pm at the Berkeley Township Municipal Utilities Authority at 42 Station Road, Bayville, NJ 08721. Presided by Chairman Hale-present, Jerome Bollettieri-present, Richard Elliott-present, Samuel Cammarato-present, Denise Pellecchia-present, William McGrath-present, Frederick Bekiarian-present.

Also present: Mayor Bacchione, Mr. Tirella-Business Administrator, Mr. Budesca-Attorney, Mr. Chiaravallo-Engineer, Ms. Binder-Engineer and Mrs. Nugent-Executive Director.

After the salute to the flag, Mrs. LeFaucheur read the Open Public Meeting Statement.

Motion to approve the Public Meeting Minutes and the following reports from the meeting on July 27, 2024: Mr. Elliott, second. Mr. Bollettieri. The motion was approved by voice vote. There were no "nay" votes. Motion Carried.

- Executive Director's Report
- Engineer's Report
- Attorney's Report

Motion to change the agenda: Mr. Bollettieri, second, Mr. Elliott. The motion was approved by voice vote. There were no "nay" votes. Motion Carried.

The Board discussed the planned Phase VII water main installation with the Township Officials. The option of modifying the project into several smaller projects was proposed. This approach would allow continued growth in the Township and, with a modest rate increase, support a conservative financial plan.

### **Treasurer's Report:**

Mr. Cammarato stated for the four week period (07/27/24-08/23/24) the payroll expenses totaled \$50,000.08 and the operational expenses totaled \$280,341.57.

The operational expenses include one payment totaling \$142,590.00 to United Painters which will be separately authorized by resolution later tonight.

Mr. Bekiarian and Mr. Elliott reviewed the four weeks.

Motion to approve the Treasurer's Report: Mr. Elliott, second, Ms. Pellecchia. The motion was approved by voice vote. There were no "nay" votes. Motion Carried.

### **Executive Director's Report:**

Approve United Painter's Payment #4 \$142,590.00:

Mrs. Nugent requested of the Board approval to pay United Painters for the Northern Blvd. Water Tower project Payment Application #4. The amount of the construction costs associated with the voucher was \$145,500.00. The Authority will withhold a two percent retainage, a total amount of \$2,910.00, resulting in a payout of \$142,590.00 for Payment Application #4. The payment application was reviewed and recommended by the Authority Engineer.

Motion to approve Payment Application #4 for United Painters: Mr. Cammarato, second, Ms. Pellecchia. All in favor. Roll Call. Mr. Bollettieri-yes, Mr. Elliott-yes, Mr. Cammarato-yes. Ms. Pellecchia-yes, Mr. Hale-yes. Motion Carried.

Discussion: Connection Fee Installment Plan 5 year maximum:

The Board confirmed the rate schedule should provide a five year installment plan option for the connection fee. The ten year option should be deleted.

Motion to confirm the 5 year connection fee installation plan option: Mr. Elliott, second, Mr. Bollettieri. All in favor. Roll Call. Mr. Bollettieri-yes, Mr. Elliott-yes, Mr. Cammarato-yes. Ms. Pellecchia-yes, Mr. Hale-yes. Motion Carried.

**Engineer's Report:**

Phase VII Water System Improvements:

Mr. Chiaravallo stated the DEP issued a 90-day extension to advertise the Phase VII bid. A lengthy discussion followed on what area should be included in the initial bid.

Motion to modify the Phase VII project and issue only Area 3 in the initial bid: Mr. Elliott, second, Ms. Pellecchia. The motion was approved by voice vote. There were no "nay" votes. Motion Carried.

Northern Boulevard Tank Rehabilitation:

Mr. Chiaravallo stated the water tank project is nearing completion.

Station Road Water Treatment Plant Generator:

Mr. Chiaravallo stated the generator plan and design continues.

**Accountant's Report:**

Will present at a future meeting.

**Attorney's Report:**

No Report.

**Committee Report:**

Old Business:

No Report.

New Business:

No Report.

Motion to open public portion: Ms. Pellecchia, second, Mr. Elliott. The motion was approved by voice vote. There were no "nay" votes. Motion Carried.

Mr. Hale stated there are no members of the general public in attendance.

Motion to close the public portion: Mr. Elliott, second, Mr. Bollettieri. The motion was approved by voice vote. There were no "nay" votes. Motion Carried.

Motion to adjourn: Mr. Elliott, second, Mr. Bollettieri. The motion was approved by voice vote. There were no "nay" votes. Motion Carried.

The meeting adjourned at 8:26 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,



Sandra J Walker  
Office Clerk

The next meeting of the Berkeley Township Municipal Utilities Authority will be held on Thursday, September 26, 2024 at 7 pm at the Berkeley Township Municipal Utilities Authority located at 42 Station Road, Bayville, NJ 08721.