CARNEYS POINT TOWNSHIP SEWERAGE AUTHORITY **REGULAR MEETING April 17. 2018**

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Rullo at 5:30 p.m. with the pledge of allegiance and stating the following: This meeting is being held in compliance with the Open Public Meeting Act. Advance notice of this meeting was given by way of the annual notice which was filed with the Carneys Point Township Clerk, forwarded to the South Jersey Times and the Elmer Times and was posted on the bulletin board in the lobby of the Carneys Point Township Municipal Building. The pledge of allegiance was recited.

Roll Call

Present: Mr. Rullo, Mr. Gatanis, Mr. Newton, Mr. Pelura Absent: Dr. Racite Others Present: Mr. Biermann, Mr. James DeBlock, Mr. Telsey, and Mrs. O'Neill

Payment of Vouchers

- 1. On motion by Mr. Newton, second by Mr. Gatanis, it was moved to approve all properly audited vouchers. **RECORDED VOTE:** Aye: Mr. Rullo and Mr. Pelura
 - 1. Nay: None
 - 2. Abstain: None

4-0-0 MOTION CARRIED:

Approval of Minutes

2. On motion by Mr. Newton, second by Mr. Gatanis it was moved to approve the Regular minutes of the meeting of March 20, 2018.

RECORDED VOTE:

Ave: Mr. Rullo and Mr. Pelura

- 1. Nay: None
- 2. Abstain: None

MOTION CARRIED: 4-0-0

Old Business

3. Maintenance Bond received on 4/16, 2018 from Pioneer Pipe Contractors for Rt. 295 Pump Station Sanitary Sewer Gravity Main Replacement S&A File No. #CPSA-126.

Mrs. O'Neill stated that this was old business from January 2018 and that CPTSA just received the maintenance bond and is now able to proceed with final payment of \$98,950.00. **RECORDED VOTE:**

On motion by: Mr. Newton and Mr. Pelura Aye: Mr. Gatanis and Mr. Rullo Nav: None Abstain: None 4-0-0

MOTION CARRIED:

Correspondence

4. Letter dated April 5, 2018 from Erik Biermann at Sickles & Associates, Inc. in regards to Pilot Flying "J" Travel Center Proposed Truck Repair Shop (Block 197 Lot 5) S&A File #CPSA1011. (Letter attached). Mr. Biermann stated that Flying J has a garage that they are proposing and have sanitary sewer service for it that's going to run across their property. We have reviewed it and there are a few items that we requested that they correct/modify/adjust and we are waiting to get revised plans back from them. There is no action that needs to be taken by the board at this time.

New Business

Reports

Solicitor's Report

Mr. Telsey had nothing to report.

Engineer's Report

Mr. Biermann reported the following:

- Mr. Biermann received from Mrs. O'Neill the agreements for NJDOT for the Rte. 130 and Hollywood Ave round-about and the Rte. 130 repaying from Plant St. to Highland Rd. These are fairly standard and don't see any objections for the board/chairman to sign them. Mrs. O'Neill has provided the agreements to Mr. Telsey to look at as well. Mr. Biermann asked if there is a time-frame on receiving the agreements back. Mrs. O'Neill stated that she did not see any. Mr. Telsey will work on reviewing and return the agreements to the sewerage office on 4/18/18.
- Mr. Biermann did a couple of punch lists inspections for E Street with a couple of minor items and we'll reach out to the contractor and address.
- We had a pre-application conference call today for two of the projects for the UV and Disinfection Filtration System and the Lafayette Rd Pump Station. The call was with the NJ Environmental Infrastructure Trust which is now NJ I Bank, they changed their name. They will be funding road projects as well.
- Sickles and Associates conducted a field survey for the East End Pump Station manhole replacement. Still going thru to identify the best orientation for the new manhole or to put two manholes in. There is a conflict with a 12" water main which goes right in between where we need to be. It may be something where Mr. Biermann needs to coordinate with the operations staff at the plant and NJ American Water to test pit this and exactly where that main is before we can identify how to run the sewer line.
- Mr. Pelura asked about #17 on Sickle's report in regards to the Adult Day Care: Mr. Biermann stated that the Adult Day Care reached out to him at the end of last week saying they finished some of the punch-list items and Sickle's has to go out there this week to inspect it. One of Sickles inspectors has been out there but Mr. Biermann has not received his report yet. Mr. Pelura asked about the maintenance bond expiration date of 1/20/18. The bond has expired and it is only minor work with their own equipment. It is not a liability on the municipality or the authority. Mr. Biermann did not see it as being a major issue to notify the bond company when they didn't have everything done on the punch-list. The punch-list is sent to the bond company and they are advised that the project is not done until Sickle's says it is. This concludes the Engineer's report.

Superintendent's Report

Mr. DeBlock reported the following:

- Frank Hartman our qualified purchasing agent is soliciting quotes for the service for bearings and shafts for the RBC1C. Once we have those numbers in we'll present them to the board hopefully at the May meeting.
- Flows are starting to come down this month. Last month the average flow was a little under 1.5 million gallons a day. This month to date we are under a million and moving in the right direction.
- They discovered a leak at the Game Street Pump Station force main. It necessitated a by-pass of the pump station in order to make the repair. Garrison was mobilized to make the repair, the by-pass was set up, and they had to rent extra lay-flat hose to complete the repair. It's a wet tap and valve stop on the mail so they could isolate and by-pass while the work was being completed. Hot line notifications were made and followed up with by Mr. Hartman and were completed on April 10, 2018.
- NJDEP inspections were completed on April 10th and their report is pending. There was nothing during the
 inspection that would warrant immediate action. The annual JIF inspection was completed on April 16th and
 no issues were noted on site and that report is still pending.

Mr. DeBlock is requesting board acknowledgement for emergency repairs for the Game Creek Pump Station force main and authorization to charge the costs of the repairs to the R & R account. Mr. Rullo asked what the costs was for the repairs and Mr. DeBlock stated that they don't have all of the numbers in yet. Mr. Hartman is working on compiling all the numbers. It will be the Garrison bill and they provided the materials as well and its unit cost based on the emergency response. We have their actual hourly rates for all their equipment and staff and that is being verified. Mr. DeBlock will have those numbers shortly. Mr. Biermann asked if DeBlock needs the letter with the board's action to back up the emergency. Mr. DeBlock replied that it would help with this action to back up the emergency declaration. The board has in the past authorized the superintendent's licensed operator in conjunction with the engineer to declare emergencies as things develop. Then essentially acknowledge at this meeting and accept acknowledgement of the declared emergency. Mr. Biermann talked to Mr. Hartman about that and Mr. Biermann would like to get the final numbers from the contractors that provided services and then incorporate them into the letter for declaration of emergency. Mr. DeBlock asked the board to acknowledge the emergency and authorize charging those expenses to the R&R account. Mr. Gatanis stated that the board doesn't know how much it is and Mr. DeBlock stated that they could come back once they have the numbers. In the past we've requested it in advance knowing that the work Garrison did was exclusive to the emergency. Mr. Rullo stated to let the board know the numbers and we can give the OK today.

MOTION to request board acknowledgement of emergency repairs to the Game Creek Pump Station and authorization to charge the R&R account: On motion by Mr. Gatanis, second by Mr. Newton RECORDED VOTE: Ave: Mr. Rullo and Mr. Pelura

- : Aye: Mr. Rullo and Mr. Pelura
 - Nay: None
 Abstain: None
- MOTION CARRIED: 4-0-0
- Mr. DeBlock stated that this was not included in my report but I was just reading in depth today in regards to the NJDEP licensing board's modifications to their interpretation of qualifications for individuals to sit for licenses. Mr. DeBlock will have a more detailed report for the board at the next meeting but in short in summary it will make it more difficult for many authorities to sign off on direct responsible charge which is necessary to achieve the higher grade licenses, the 3's and 4's. Direct responsible charge as it's been defined in regulations and explained in the guidance manuals from DEP previously is simply defined as having the license below the one you are getting (example if you're applying for an S3 license you must have an S2 license & have worked in an S2 plant for a certain amount of time). They're changing that but not at all clear if it's by the interpretation by the board or the statutes requiring us to demonstrate certain administrative responsibilities of the applicant to include supervision of personnel, purchasing and things of that nature. It's going to change how we approve these licensing applications and how we write them. It's going to be more restrictive, which personally Mr. DeBlock knows is in the best interest of anyone. Licensed operators are few and far between now a days. The passing rates on the exams are not very great to begin with and to exclude someone who may be qualified and would be able to pass the exam would not even be able to sit for the exam because they work at a small authority and you don't have 6 supervisors you have effectively one. We'll see how this is going to play out and will have an update at our next meeting but it will likely slow down the application process for licensed operators.

This concludes the Superintendent's report.

Business Office Report

Mrs. O'Neill's report reflects operating revenue and expense results for February 2018 are:

- Operating revenue and expense results for March 2018 are
- Revenue: \$173,759.40 Operating Expenses: \$91,986.35
- We are receiving good response for the 1st quarter payments due.

This concludes the Business Office Report.

Public Session

No one from the public wished to be heard.

Closed Session

A closed session was not necessary at this time.

Other Business

<u>Adjourn</u>

On motion by Mr. Rullo, second by Mr. Gatanis, it was moved to adjourn the meeting at approximately 6:00 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Joseph F. Racite, Authority Secretary