

CARNEYS POINT TOWNSHIP SEWERAGE AUTHORITY  
REGULAR MEETING January 15, 2019

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 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. Pelura, Mr. Newton and Mr. Gatanis.  
Others Present: Mr. Biermann, Mr. DeBlock, Mr. Telsey, and Mrs. O'Neill.

**Payment of Vouchers:**

1. On motion by Mr. Gatanis, second by Mr. Newtown, it was moved to approve all properly audited vouchers.

RECORDED VOTE:       Aye: Mr. Rullo and Mr. Pelura  
                              Nay: None  
                              Abstain: None

MOTION CARRIED:     4-0-0

**Approval of Minutes:**

2. On motion by Mr. Newton, second by Mr. Pelura to accept Regular Session minutes from the December 18, 2018 meetings.

RECORDED VOTE:       Aye: Mr. Rullo and Mr. Gatanis  
                              Nay: None  
                              Abstain: None

MOTION CARRIED:     4-0-0

**Old Business:**

**Correspondence – Section 3:**

- Carney Point Township Resolution 2019-RO-38 – Appointment to the Sewerage Authority (please see attached).
- Sanitary Sewer Review #1 – Glass Education Center & Parking Lot Expansion – Block 170, Lots 2 & 2.01, Township of Carneys Point, Salem County. Applicant: Salem Community College (S&A File #CPSA-1017). Mr. Biermann stated that we received an application for the Glass Education Center and Parking Lot Expansion. The application is for the sanitary service and they are proposing to put in a small pump station and run a force main over to our gravity line on Hollywood Avenue. There are a number of things that we need them to clarify and we need them to provide information regarding the pump sizing, the design of the pumps and the anticipated flow from the facility. They have a facility that is relatively similar in Alloway and we are hoping they have some real world data that they can give us based on the water they have produced there. We need to know the character of their waste water. Mr. Biermann will have to talk to their engineer to see if they have waste water that comes from the glass baking itself and if they have some way of keeping the grit out of it because if we have glass grit going thru our lines that could wreak havoc on our pumps. Mr. Biermann will keep on top of this and right now he is not recommending any action. We have requested that their engineer provide us with additional information.

**New Business – Section 4:**

- Resolution 2019-1: Authorizing Release of Maintenance Bond for Gateway Business Park – 7 Gateway Boulevard – Block 29, Lot 6.03 - S&A File No. #Cpsa-1002. Mr. Biermann this project is at the end of the cul-de-sac on Gateway Boulevard. You may recall they initially requested that this line be turned over to the Authority and we provided them information on what they needed to give us in order to do that. After reviewing the requirements they decided to keep this as a private line. So that line from the cul-de-sac across their parking lot and to the site of another proposed warehouse is all private. We did go out and inspect it and there were no issues associated with the line and we have no objection for the Authority

releasing the maintenance bond. We recommend doing this by resolution to be formal. Mr. Pelura makes a motion to approve Resolution 2019-1 and Mr. Gatanis seconds it.

RECORDED ROLL CALL: Aye: Mr. Pelura, Mr. Gatanis, Mr. Newton and Mr. Rullo.

Nay: None

Abstain: None

MOTION CARRIED: 4-0-0

### **Reports:**

#### **Solicitor's Report**

- Mr. Telsey had nothing to report.

#### **Engineer's Report**

Mr. Biermann reported the following:

- We have issued punch lists for two projects that performance bonds are up tomorrow. One is the Phase 2 Sewer Placement and the other is the 295 Pump Station Gravity Main Reconstruction. Both were relatively minor nor a significant amount of work on either one of them but we do need the contractor to restore certain things. Mr. Pelura asked if we are ok with this even though the period ends tomorrow. Mr. Biermann responded that the performance bond is not automatically released so the Authority holds the bond until such time that it formally releases it by resolution.
- Deepwater Diner (page 4) construction of the sanitary sewer is ongoing. They have run the line thru the woods, have connected to the Authority's manhole and currently running some of the lines onsite around the diner and gas station.
- Question for Joanne (page 8) on Pilot Service Station. Mr. Biermann stated that he hasn't received any more contact from them. Have they paid their connection fee yet? Mrs. O'Neill replied no they have not but she will go back to their file and check. Mr. Biermann also asked about 327 Slapes Road and Mrs. O'Neill responded no, but will also double check their file to confirm. Mr. Biermann will contact these applicants regarding their statuses.
- We have been contacted by AGRO Merchants Group with the Mullica Hill Cold Storage Warehouse. They are proposing to add onto their building, which is a relatively small addition compared to the size of their building but is approximately 8000 sq. feet. They are proposing to have a meat packaging facility. They are not butchering anything but will be taking in large cuts of meat, cutting it up into smaller cuts of meat and repackaging it for distribution to grocery stores. We requested additional information on the water quality and also requested that they post escrow so we can move forward with providing direction to their engineers. At this point Mr. Biermann isn't requesting any action by the Board. Mr. Pelura asked if this is the one where they went to the planning board in Oldmans Township and were directed to come to our Authority. Mr. Biermann replied yes. Mr. Biermann stated that they were surprised at the end because they had gotten final approval subject to a few conditions and this was one of the conditions and surprised them at the end that they even had to come to us.

This concludes the Engineer's report.

#### **Superintendent's Report**

Mr. DeBlock reported the following:

- Significant ice buildup on the mechanical screen at the head of the plant. The operators took care of it. This has been an issue in years past and apparently this year it was significantly worse. They also replace the motor of the grid screw in the grid chamber.
- Average daily flows are remaining high. We are seeing approximately 1.67 MGD last month and this month to date. Accordingly some of the other projects are being held in advance until the flows drop back down. In speaking with Mr. Biermann he and his staff have identified potential significant source ionide and will be following up on with the staff to see if it's a significant source we can pull out of the system.
- The Delaware Avenue Pump Station #1 still remains off line and the bypass pump is in place. We've been expecting the parts necessary to return the pump to service for several weeks now. The delivery date keeps coming and going. Hopefully they will be in next week which is the last we heard.

- Load testing was completed on the generators at McLane and Rt. 295 pump stations. Cleaning of wet wells was completed at Line Street, East End and McLane pump stations.
- The lateral connection for the Howard Johnson's Hotel was disconnected, cut and capped on January 11, 2019.
- The New Jersey Utility Authority/JIF Safety Assessment report was submitted.
- Univar, the new chemical contract, has installed their new tankage for our chemicals and we have taken delivery.
- We have processed two licensing applications and statement qualifications for two employees. One employee will be sitting for the S4 and one will be sitting for the S2.

This concludes the Superintendent's report.

#### **Business Office Report**

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

- Revenue: \$189,714.59 Operating Expenses: \$92,680.99.
- We are receiving good results from the current quarterly billing that were sent out last month and will be mailing out the consumption bills this week.

This concludes the Business Office Report.

#### **Public Session:**

- Mr. Gatanis asked if there was any change on the union contract negotiations. Mr. Pelura responded that due to the holidays the meeting hasn't been set up yet. We are getting ahold of Tom and Andy now.
- Mr. Gatanis asked to speak, as you all know the four democrats on the township committee voted to replace me allowing Ken Brown to take my place. It was unheard of and I was quite shocked. This has only been done one other time with the Republicans this is the first time I've heard of the Democrat doing it, so now we have joined the Republican situation. Mr. Gatanis wants to personally thank all of the professionals with us, Rob, Erik, Adam, Joanne and Andy for doing a great job. Mr. Gatanis wants to make it clear that I did nothing wrong as far as this is concerned. It was something that was done approved 2 years ago Mr. Brown and three other democrats were in my house and they promised me I would be re-appointed this year if we kept control. I did a lot of work for the Democrat organization. I thought it would happen and was shocked that I was not going to be re-appointed this year. According to Mr. Brown Tony Rullo was the only Democrat that supported me. I could understand if the Republicans who historically do that sometimes. About one week before re-organization I asked Mr. Brown are you going to re-appoint me as you promised and he bluntly said no and that was it. Mr. Brown said he's taking that position and that's how he got it. Again I have enjoyed working with this board, it is one of the finest I have had and thank all of you. Remember your friends close and your enemies closer as per Mr. Brown. I wish he was here and could understand that. Thank you all very much and appreciate your help.

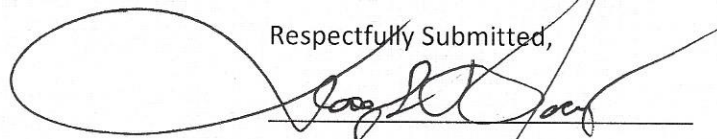
#### **Closed Session:**

#### **Other Business:**

#### **Adjourn:**

Mr. Rullo would like to thank Mr. Gatanis for his service to the board. It was fun and we had a good time working with you. We appreciated your service and you will be sadly missed. On motion by Mr. Gatanis and second by Mr. Newton, it was moved to adjourn the meeting at approximately 5:50 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,



Joseph F. Racite, Authority Secretary