**CARNEYS POINT TOWNSHIP SEWERAGE AUTHORITY**

**REGULAR MEETING**

**October 20, 2020**

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: Dr. Racite, Mr. Pelura, Mr. Brown, Mr. Rullo

Via Phone or Internet: Mr Newton

Others Present: Mrs. Zee, Mrs. Willis, Mr Tim Kiel, Mr. Wittaker

Others Via Phone or Internet: Mr. Telsey, Mr. Biermann, Mr Robert DeBlock, and Mr. Sean O’Donnell,

**Opening – Section 1**

1. Motion to accept all properly audited vouchers, Motion Mr. Brown, 2nd Mr Newton

RECORDED VOTE: Aye: Mr. Brown, Dr. Racite, Mr. Rullo, Mr. Newton, and Mr. Pelura

Nay: None

Abstain: None

MOTION CARRIED: 5-0-0

Motion to accept Regular Session Minutes from September 15, 2020 meeting. Motion Mr Newton, 2nd Mr Brown

RECORDED VOTE: Aye: Mr. Brown, Dr. Racite, Mr. Rullo, Mr. Newton, and Mr. Pelura

Nay: None

Abstain: None

MOTION CARRIED: 5-0-0

**Old Business – Section 2 N/A**

**Correspondence – Section 3**

1. Copy of 2020 annual report for the Polychlorinated Biphenyl Pollutant Minimization Plan for the CPTSA Wastewater Treatment Plant sent to NJDEP Division of Water Quality and Delaware River Basin Commission. Mr O’Donnell commented it is an annual report they prepare every year based on samples of PCB’s going through the plant. Tracking only. No other action required.
2. Copy of NJDEP Freshwater Wetlands LOI Application submitted by DPIF2 Acquisition Co. LLC assisted by Marathon Engineering &. Environmental Svcs Inc. Mr Biermann stated it was a notification they had requested identification of the wetlands which is required by state statutes and that their data agrees with DEP and wetlands are mapped. For 30 North Game Creek Rd. No action required by board
3. Maintenance Bond Punch list requirements before release of bond for Gateway Business Park expansion. Mr Brown asked when it would be done. Mr O’Donnel said they can not push for it to be done at this time. Mr Telsey would be asked to address it later if necessary.
4. State of NJ DOT request for all preliminary engineering invoices for costs incurred by CPTSA. Paving project from Deepwater up to Logan Twp. Patty Owens will send Patty Willis costs to be submitted within the next couple weeks.

**New Business – Section 4**

7. Partial payment request from Journey Contracting Co., Inc. Mr O’Donnel reported this was for the roof replacement

Contract. Sickels is recommending only paying them $23,517.00 at this time and withholding the rest until punch list is

completed.. Motion by Mr Brown to accept this recommendation, 2nd Dr. Racite

RECORDED VOTE: Aye: Mr. Brown, Dr. Racite, Mr. Rullo, Mr. Newton, and Mr. Pelura

Nay: None

Abstain: None

MOTION CARRIED: 5-0-0

8. Performance Bond Release/Safety and Stabilization Guarantee Release, Nova Builders, CPSA 1013, 89 S Dupont Rd.

Sickels submitted a letter requesting As Built plans to release bonds, As Built plans were submitted. Sickels recommends

release of bonds $2,857.07 + $5,000. Motion by Mr Pleura, 2nd by Dr Racite

RECORDED VOTE: Aye: Mr. Brown, Dr. Racite, Mr. Rullo, Mr. Newton, and Mr. Pelura

Nay: None

Abstain: None

MOTION CARRIED: 5-0-0

9. Safety and Stabilization Guarantee Release, Riehls Towing, CPSA 1023. As Built plans were sent to Sickels,

recommendation to release guarantee. $5,000.00. Motion to release guarantee Dr Racite, 2nd Mr Pleura

RECORDED VOTE: Aye: Mr. Brown, Dr. Racite, Mr. Rullo, Mr. Newton, and Mr. Pelura

Nay: None

Abstain: None

MOTION CARRIED: 5-0-0

10. Proposal from Maraziti Falcon, LLP to serve as Special Counsel for WWT capacity issues. Dr Racite asked if others had

applied. Mr Brown said he contacted Maraziti Falcon, LLP as they were the Carney Point Twp redevelopment attorney

(Brad Carney). Explained they were going to ask all the new developers for a “buy in” to the sewer plant expansion which

is anticipated to cost $51,000,000.00, Dr Racite asked Mr Telsey if it was ok to appoint someone. Mr Telsey said yes, this

was a professional service and they do not make any political contributions, won’t affect the fair and open process. Hourly

rate is $235. Money will come from surplus money and excrow moneys to cover his fees. Finance committee will meet

with Brad Carney. Mr Pleura felt it was important the board all meet him. Mr Carney will be asked to attend a future

CPTSA Board Meeting. **Resolution 2020-35** to hire Brad Carney. Motion to approve Resolution 2020-35 Mr Brown, 2nd

Mr Pleura.

RECORDED VOTE: Aye: Mr. Brown, Dr. Racite, Mr. Rullo, Mr. Newton, and Mr. Pelura

Nay: None

Abstain: None

MOTION CARRIED: 5-0-0

**Reports**

1. **Mr Telsey** – N/A
2. **Mr. Biermann/Mr O’Donnell –**

Mr O’Donnell updated on RBC repair, work should start 10/26/20 for 3 weeks.

Mr O’Donnell reported the USDA application through Triad is now on hold due to the USFWS requirement for a Phase I Bog Turtle Survey for the Sanitary Forcemain Extension. Recommendation to perform survey. Cost will be $8.750. Motion to perform survey as required Mr. Pleura, 2nd Mr. Brown

RECORDED VOTE: Aye: Mr. Brown, Dr. Racite, Mr. Rullo, Mr. Newton, and Mr. Pelura

Nay: None

Abstain: None

MOTION CARRIED: 5-0-0

1. **Mr. DeBlock –** Flows are continuing to stabilize. Water service found running through the main on C st., NJAW was notified 10/5/20 and a repair is scheduled. Reported cost update for Gateway pump station and will be required to go to bid. Frank Hartman will be retiring with in the next 2 months. A new QPA will be needed. DeBlock will complete paperwork to replace Mr Hartman..
2. **Mrs Zee -**  Revenue in September 2020 $735,016.20 , Operating Expenses were $252,436.61. 1,024 delinquent bills mailed 10/14/20.
3. **Mrs Willis** - Fulton bank will not waive fee for direct deposit, other options will be looked into.

Need for new validator, cost will be $775.00.

1. **Mr Whittaker** - Both pumps went down on LaFayette Ave, able to get one pump working again. To replace will cost over $2,500.

**Public Session**

1. Mr Don Redfield – property at 253, 255, & 257 Shell Road Tim Kiel informed him they would be able to combine the 3 accounts into one consumption bill due to one sewer hook-up.

**Executive Session** – **Resolution 36 - Personnel Matters**

Motion to accept Mr. Pleura, 2nd Dr Racite

RECORDED VOTE: Aye: Mr. Brown, Dr. Racite, Mr. Rullo, Mr. Newton, and Mr. Pelura

Nay: None

Abstain: None

MOTION CARRIED: 5-0-0

**Other Business** **– N/A**

**Adjourn October 20, 2020 at 6:34 pm2nd**

1. Motion to Adjourn Dr Racite, 2nd Mr Pleura Brown

RECORDED VOTE: Aye: Mr. Brown, Dr. Racite, Mr. Rullo, Mr. Newton and Mr. Pelura

Nay: None

Abstain: None

MOTION CARRIED: 5-0-0