**CARNEYS POINT TOWNSHIP SEWERAGE AUTHORITY**

**Regular Meeting Minutes**

**June 18, 2024**

The meeting was called to order by the Chairman 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. Brown, Mr. Bomba, Mr.Newton, Dr. Racite

Via Phone or Internet:

Absent: Mr. Baile

Others Present: Mr. Telsey, Mr. O’Donnell, Mr. Testa, Mr. Cooksey, Mrs. Willis,

Mrs. Zee, Mr. Clint Allen, Archer & Griner

Others Via Phone or Internet:

Others Absent: Mr. Biermann (Sickels Engineers), Mr. Chapman (Project Manager)

**Opening – Section 1**

1. Motion to accept all properly audited vouchers. Motion Dr. Racite, 2nd Mr. Bomba.

RECORDED VOTE: Aye: Mr. Brown, Mr. Bomba, Mr. Newton, Dr. Racite

Nay: None

Abstain: None

MOTION CARRIED: 4-0-0

1. Motion to accept Regular Session minutes from the May 21, 2024 Regular Meeting.

Motion Mr. Bomba, 2nd Dr. Racite.

RECORDED VOTE: Aye: Mr. Bomba, Mr. Newton, Dr. Racite

Nay: None

Abstain: Mr. Brown

MOTION CARRIED: 3-0-0

**Old Business – Section 2**

1. **Update - Deepwater Diner.**

Mr. DiNicola thanked the Board for their patience and allowing the project to be finished without shutting them down. Mr. Telsey advised not following up on the imposed fines. Existing fine of $11,500 will be moved into the Revenue account. Any remaining Escrow will be returned to the Multani Bros. after all invoices paid to professionals. Motion to move existing $11,500 to Revenue account Mr. Bomba, 2nd Mr. Newton.

RECORDED VOTE: Aye: Mr. Brown, Mr. Bomba, Mr. Newton, Dr. Racite

Nay: None

Abstain: None

MOTION CARRIED: 4-0-0

1. **Resolution 2024-44** Resolution Authorizing the Assignment and Assumption Agreement for AAC2CP **(CPSA 1048).** Assignment and Assumption Agreement between AAC2CP Property LLC (the “Developer”) and AAC2CP Property Urban Renewal, LLC (the “Transferee”). Mr. Clint Allen from Archer and Griner explained to the Board AAC2CP Property Urban Renewal, LLC will be the developer going forward. There are no other changes to the previously signed Reservation Capacity Agreement. Motion to Authorize Assignment Mr. Bomba, 2nd Dr. Racite

RECORDED VOTE: Aye: Mr. Brown, Mr. Bomba, Mr. Newton, Dr. Racite

Nay: None

Abstain: None

MOTION CARRIED: 4-0-0

1. Lafayette Road Sanitary Sewer Project **(CPSA 122)** Partial Payment No 1 request. Mr. O’Donnell reviewed the project and the advised the Board to pay the requested $1,106,508.00 payment request. Discussion ensued.

**Correspondence – Section 3 N/A**

**New Business – Section 4**

1. Authorization for Renewal Agreement with Julia D. Fahl, Archer Public Affairs Director, for assistance with the PG/CP **(CPSA 138)** DEP and TWA permit approvals at a reduced fee from $7,500 per month to $5,000. Discussion ensued. Mr. Telsey advised to continue as project is not completed yet. Mr. Brown suggested Kiona Miller, who is the Public Affairs Liason between the towns and the DEP as a possible alternative. Motion to renew agreement with Julia D. Fahl Mr. Bomba, 2nd Dr. Racite

RECORDED VOTE: Aye: Mr. Brown, Mr. Bomba, Mr. Newton, Dr. Racite

Nay: None

Abstain: None

MOTION CARRIED: 4-0-0

1. **Resolution 2024-45** Resolution declaring an emergency and Authorizing a Repair to Discharge Piping at the Game Creek Pump Station. Emergency Certification provided. Mr. Cooksey reminded the Board this was addressed last month and the work has been done. This Resolution is being presented retroactively. Motion to approve Mr. Bomba, 2nd Dr. Racite.

RECORDED VOTE: Aye: Mr. Brown, Mr. Bomba, Mr. Newton, Dr. Racite

Nay: None

Abstain: None

MOTION CARRIED: 4-0-0

**Reports**

1. **Mr. Telsey Section 5 –** **No Report**

1. **Mr. O’Donnell** **Section 6 – No Report. Will address item in closed session.**
2. **Mr. Cooksey Section 7 –** Mr. Cooksey reported a low-density RBC shaft broke. He is reaching out to 2 contractors now for pricing. Hoping to use GG exemption if cost is over $44,000.00, conferred with Mr. Testa and will reach out to DEP as required. Discussion ensued. Motion to approve repair not to exceed $60,000 subject to Mr. Testa and Mr. Cooksey’s approval Mr. Newton, 2nd Mr. Bomba

RECORDED VOTE: Aye: Mr. Brown, Mr. Bomba, Mr. Newton, Dr. Racite

Nay: None

Abstain: None

MOTION CARRIED: 4-0-0

Hickory Pump station retrofit project will begin within the next 2 weeks.

1. **Mrs. Zee Section 8 -** Revenue and Operating Expense results for May 2024 were:

Revenue: $232,673.41 Operating Expenses: $185,812.48

2,233 2nd and 3rd qtr bills were mailed May 21, 2024, anticipated revenue is $941,848.00

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**Mrs. Willis** – **Resolution 2024-47** Resolution for Member Participation in the South Jersey

Power Cooperative. Will provide cooperative electric prices through Concord Energy

Services for 2 years, July 1, 2024-June 30, 2026. Motion to approve Mr. Bomba, 2nd Dr.

Racite.

RECORDED VOTE: Aye: Mr. Brown, Mr. Bomba, Mr. Newton, Dr. Racite

Nay: None

Abstain: None

MOTION CARRIED: 4-0-0

Informed the Board of the outstanding balance owed by the bankrupt Berkowitz account,

currently owe over $110,000.00. Discussion ensued. Mr. Telsey advised hiring a bankruptcy

attorney from Delaware if CPTSA wants to follow up with this issue.

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1. **Mr. Testa Section 9 –** Mr. Testa reportedherequested reimbursement of $1,277,551.00 for the Lafayette Pump Station from the I-Bank. Still waiting on review and approval of submitted invoices.

**Public Session Section- 10**

1. Motion to go into Public Session Mr. Bomba, 2nd Mr. Newton

RECORDED VOTE: Aye: Mr. Bomba, Mr. Brown, Mr. Newton, Dr. Racite

Nay: None

Abstain: None

MOTION CARRIED: 4-0-0

No Public Attending, Motion to close Public Session Mr. Bomba, 2nd Dr. Racite

RECORDED VOTE: Aye: Mr. Bomba, Mr. Brown, Mr. Newton, Dr. Racite

Nay: None

Abstain: None

MOTION CARRIED: 4-0-0

**Closed Session - Section 11 6:24 pm to 6:41 pm**

1. **Resolution 2024-46** Resolution Authorizing Executive Session to Discuss Upgrades to the Rt 295 Pump Station. Motion Mr. Bomba, 2nd Dr. Racite

RECORDED VOTE: Aye: Mr. Brown, Mr. Bomba, Mr. Newton, Dr. Racite

Nay: None

Abstain: None

MOTION CARRIED: 4-0-0

Motion to go back into Public Session Mr. Bomba, 2nd Dr. Racite

RECORDED VOTE: Aye: Mr. Brown, Mr. Bomba, Mr. Newton, Dr. Racite

Nay: None

Abstain: None

MOTION CARRIED: 4-0-0

**Other Business – Section 12**  **N/A**

**Adjourn**

1. Motion to adjourn 6:45 PM.Motion Mr. Bomba,2nd Dr. Racite

RECORDED VOTE: Aye: Mr. Bomba, Mr. Brown, Mr. Newton, Dr. Racite

Nay: None

Abstain: None

MOTION CARRIED: 4-0-0