

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING MEETING MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER 15, 2011**

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**MOTIONED BY:** Raia

**SECONDED BY:** Spaccavento

**WHEREAS**, the North Hudson Sewerage Authority (hereinafter "Authority") is a public body, duly formed under the Sewerage Authorities law, constituting Chapter 138 of the Laws of New Jersey of 1946, as amended (Chapter 14A of Title 40 of the New Jersey Statutes Annotated) and possesses the powers set forth therein; and

**WHEREAS**, a regular meeting of the Authority was held on September 15, 2011; and

**WHEREAS**, minutes of the meeting have been prepared by General Counsel and presented to the Authority members and staff for their review.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Authority hereby approves the minutes of the meeting of September 15, 2011 for the record.

**DATED: OCTOBER 20, 2011**

**RECORD OF COMMISSIONERS' VOTE**

	<b>YES</b>	<b>NO</b>	<b>ABSENT</b>
Commissioner Marotta	x		
Commissioner Raia	x		
Commissioner Roque	x		
Commissioner Schroeder	x		
Commissioner Soares	x		
Commissioner Spaccavento	x		
Commissioner Stack			x
Commissioner Zucconi	x		
Commissioner Wolff	x		

**THIS IS TO CERTIFY THAT THIS RESOLUTION WAS DULY ADOPTED BY THE NORTH HUDSON BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS ON OCTOBER 20, 2011.**

  
**SECRETARY**

## **NORTH HUDSON SEWERAGE AUTHORITY**

### **MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING**

**SEPTEMBER 15, 2011**

At approximately 6:30 p.m., Chairman Richard Wolff called the meeting to order. Counsel Covello advised that this was a regular meeting of the Authority, and that pursuant to the Open Public Meetings Act, notice of the same had been sent to the Jersey Journal, Star Ledger, the Clerks of Hoboken, Union City, Weehawken and West New York and the Hudson County Clerk, with a copy thereof posted on the Authority's bulletin board. In addition to Chairman Wolff, Commissioners Spaccavento, Schroeder, Soares, Raia and Marotta were also all in attendance at the meeting.

Chairman Wolff asked for the Staff report. Executive Director Pocci reported that Anna Bradley had retired and is being replaced.

Commissioner Zucconi arrived at the meeting at 6:35 p.m.

Chairman Wolff then asked for the engineer's reports.

#### **AECOM.**

Gene DeStefano of AECOM reported that:

1. With respect to the FOG Biodiesel project, AECOM and the Authority met with Black Gold, to discuss the anticipated quantity of available FOG the Grease-shed as well as to tour BlackGold's pilot facility. Progress was made when the Philadelphia facility was toured. AECOM will be evaluating the economics of the endeavor.
2. With regard to the Purac facility structural repair, Coppola submitted a majority of the shop drawings for materials and equipment (for 10 cells in all). They commenced work and will be installing structural steel trough supports for cells 1 and 2 in September.
3. With regard to the Adams Street 2010 loan miscellaneous repair project, the project is substantially completed and a punch list must be prepared.
4. With regard to the Adams Street Primary Clarifier No. 3 and River Road Disinfection Project, an updated set of plans was sent to the NJDEP on September 9<sup>th</sup> based upon comments from OMI. A geotechnical report was prepared. The final design, taking into account DEP's comments, was submitted this month.

4. With respect to the Adams Street site improvement project, a geotechnical report has been prepared and will be shortly submitted to the Authority.
5. With regard to the 18<sup>th</sup> Street force main and CSO outfall project, the contractor, Cruz, completed the installation of the river bulkhead. They continued excavating and installing sheeting for the micro-tunnel boring machine (MTBT) jacking pit, located in the Dykes Lumber easement and began excavation for the receiving pit. During excavation they encountered unmarked underground fiber optic cables. Fred Pucci indicated that efforts were continuing to identify the owner of the facilities.

### **CH2M Hill.**

Mike Wilson of CH2M Hill reported that:

1. With respect to the wet weather pump station, CH2M Hill continued performing SDC services and the contractor continued to work on the pump station punch list items. We are looking forward to an October 17<sup>th</sup> ribbon cutting ceremony.
2. With respect to the West New York trickling filter project, CH2M Hill continued project closeout and coordinated with the contractor to complete and inspect the final change order field work as well as the final punch list work.

Commissioner Stack arrived at 6:45 pm.

Commissioner Roque arrived at 6:48 pm.

### **HATCH MOTT MACDONALD.**

Kevin Wynn of Hatch Mott MacDonald reported as follows:

1. With respect to the Adams Street wastewater treatment plant outfall rehabilitation, bid documents were submitted to the NJEIT for authorization to advertise on August 17, 2011. The Final plans were sent to the DEP and a Resolution is on tonight's agenda to approve going out to bid.
2. With regard to the Jackson Street and Newark Street combined sewer rehabilitation and Hoboken combined wood sewer rehabilitation, contractors scheduled to begin excavation replacement of the collapsed sections of wood sewers along Grant Street on or about September 19<sup>th</sup> under the change order approved at July's meeting. The contractor has also remobilized and restarted gunite work along Jackson Street.

3. With regard to the River Road wastewater treatment plant odor control improvements, the new equipment is operating as designed and the only remaining item is the change order work related to installation of the new aerator and cleaning of the sludge holding tank has been scheduled for mid September as coordinated with OMI. The project is running on schedule.
4. With regard to the West New York sewer rehabilitation project, all of the cured-in-place lining work contained within the contract is scheduled to conclude the bulk of the contract work, making the based contract complete.
5. With respect to the 2010 Adams Street and River Road wastewater treatment plant improvements, the contractor has been submitting shop drawings and several progress meetings have been conducted. Painting work in the Purac building is expected to commence by September 19, 2011.

### OMI.

Chairman Wolff noted that there was a great deal of favorable feedback regarding the outstanding job of OMI and the Authority during and following Hurricane Irene. Executive Director Pocci stated that the Authority will support an OMI application to FEMA for reimbursement of its costs.

Kevin Dahl of OMI reported that in the previous month, the West New York plant had attained removal percentages of 73% of BOD and 74% of TSS with concentration amounts of 36 mg/l of CBOD and 30 mg/l of TSS. River Road did not perform as well as the Adams Street facility. There was a problem near Jacobs Ferry with two open joints at the outfall.

With respect to the Hoboken plant, removal percentages of 88% and 88% of BOD and TSS respectively had been attained with effluent concentrations of 12 mg/l and 12 mg/l of BOD and TSS. All well within permit limits.

Upon motion by Commissioner Raia, seconded by Commissioner Spaccavento, Resolution 11-078 authorizing the minutes of the meeting of August 18, 2011 was adopted with a vote of 7 yes and 0 no votes with Commissioners Marotta and Stack abstaining.

Upon motion by Commissioner Raia, seconded by Commissioner Spaccavento, Resolution 11-079 authorizing the payment of bills was unanimously adopted.

Upon motion by Commissioner Stack, seconded by Commissioner Raia, Resolution 11-080 authorizing work under the biennial miscellaneous repair contract to Cliffside Paving in the amount of approximately \$45,000.00 was unanimously adopted.

Upon motion by Commissioner Raia, seconded by Commissioner Stack, Resolution 11-081

authorizing advertising and bid of a contract for improvements to the Adams Street WWTP Outfall Rehabilitation was unanimously adopted.

Upon motion by Commissioner Stack, seconded by Commissioner Raia, Resolution 11-082 authorizing contract modification #1 for the Adams Street and River Road WWTP Improvements and as approved by the Facilities Review Board was unanimously adopted.

Upon motion by Commissioner Schroeder, seconded by Commissioner Raia, Resolution 11-083 authorizing hiring of Debra Ann Steen as Billing Assistant, was unanimously adopted.

**New Business**

Commissioner Raia stated that he had received a question from someone about cleaning the streets after flooding, and informed the person that the Authority does not clean the streets of the muck and sludge that remained.

At approximately 7:05 p.m., upon motion by Commissioner Raia, seconded by Commissioner Stack, it was unanimously resolved to adjourn the meeting.