



**MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING
December 14, 2021**

1. The Meeting was called to order at 7:21pm.
2. The Secretary read the Open Public Meetings Act statement.
3. Roll Call: The following Commissioners were present via a web based conference call on Zoom: Kelaher, Lo Iacono, Plumley, Ortega, and Chairman Kasparian. Commissioners Bonagura and Jordan were absent.

Also present on the conference call were Board Secretary Alison Gordon, Executive Director James Rotundo, Assistant Executive Director John Danubio, Authority Engineer Howard Hurwitz, Superintendent Robert Genetelli, General Counsel Douglas Bern, Esq., Authority Auditor Robert McNinch and Consulting Engineer Nicholas Rotonda. Treasurer Todd Sherer and Municipal Liaison John De Rienzo were absent.

4. Chairman Remarks: No remarks.
5. Consideration for approval of minutes:
 - a. Regular Meeting – November 9, 2021: Commissioner Ortega motioned to accept the minutes, Chairman Kasparian seconded the motion. The motion carried.
6. Public Comments: No public was present.
7. Consideration for approval list of Resolutions dated December 14, 2021:
 - a. The Commissioners voted by Consent Agenda for Resolution No. 95-2021 and Resolution 99-2021. Chairman Kasparian offered the Consent Agenda, Commissioner LoIacono seconded. All present Commissioners voted yes.

Resolution No. 95-2021 – Approval of vouchers, payroll and tax deposits and pensions and benefits transfers for November 2021 and Health and Dental Benefits for December 2021 as follows: Payroll Account: \$278,462.96; Tax Deposit Acct: \$113,626.55; Health Benefits Contribution-Employer: \$114,294.63; Health Benefits Contribution Employee: \$4,555.83; Dental Benefits: \$4,331.95; PERS and Contributory Insurance: \$28,781.73; Operating Account: \$344,082.95; General Improvement Account: \$430,762.45.

Resolution No. 99-2021 – Award Bid – Contract No. 290 – Disposal of Grits and Screenings: The Authority received 2 bids on December 8, 2021 for Contract 290. The bid from Synagro|Environmental Protection & Improvement Company, LLC was \$154.00 per ton. The bid was reviewed by the Authority's technical advisor and legal counsel and it was determined that Synagro|EPIC is the lowest responsible bidder. This resolution awards Contract 290 to Synagro|EPIC for a rate of \$154.00 per ton for disposal of grits and screenings for a period of 2 years.

- b. The Commissioners voted for Resolution 96-2021 and 97-2021 separately from the Consent agenda: Chairman Kasparian offered the resolutions, Commissioner LoIacono seconded. The following Commissioners voted yes: Kelaher, Kasparian and LoIacono. The following Commissioners recused from the vote: Ortega and Plumley.

Resolution 96-2021 – Authorization to renew a Shared Services Agreement with the County of Bergen, Department of Health Services for Participation in the Employee Assistance Program: The Authority previously entered into a Shared Services Agreement with the County of Bergen, Department of Health Services for participation in the Employee Assistance Program. This Resolution authorizes the renewal of a Shared Services Agreement for 2022 for the Authority’s participation in the Employee Assistance Program.

Resolution No. 97-2021 – Authorization to Renew the Bloodborne Pathogens Agreement with the County of Bergen, Department of Health Services: This Resolution authorizes the Authority to renew an agreement with the County of Bergen, Department of Health Services (BCDHS) for the BCDHS to be the Authority’s Bloodborne Pathogen Compliance Coordinator and Trainer for a period of 2 years from Jan. 1, 2022 to Dec. 31, 2023 at a rate of \$25.00 per employee. This resolution authorizes the Executive Director to sign and execute the agreement.

- c. The Commissioners voted for Resolution 98-2021 separately from the Consent agenda. Commissioner LoIacono offered the Resolution, Commissioner Kelaher seconded. The following Commissioners voted yes: Kelaher, LoIacono, Ortega and Plumley. Chairman Kasparian recused himself from the vote.

Resolution No. 98-2021 – Authorization to renew a Shared Services Agreement with the Borough of Saddle River: This resolution authorizes the Authority to enter into a shared services agreement with the Borough of Saddle River for a period of one (1) year commencing January 1, 2022 to act as the Borough’s New Jersey Licensed Operator and to provide weekly monitoring to the Borough’s one (1) wastewater pump station and to perform repairs, corrective actions and respond to pump station alarms during business and non-business hours.

8. Old Business: No old business.
9. New Business: No new business.
10. Public Comments: No public was present.
11. Adjournment: The meeting adjourned at 7:27pm.


ALISON GORDON, SECRETARY