ROCKAWAY VALLEY REGIONAL SEWERAGE AUTHORITY MINUTES OF THE REGULAR SCHEDULED BOARD MEETING OF THE DECEMBER 10, 2020

The regularly scheduled meeting of the Rockaway Valley Regional Sewerage Authority was held on Thursday, December 10, 2020. The meeting started at 7:00 PM

This meeting was held through ZOOM Meetings, telephonically and in person as to follow the Governors COVID-19 guidelines.

NOTICE is hereby given, pursuant to Section 13 of the Open Public Meetings Act and guidance issued by the Department of Community Affairs, entitled Local Operational Guidance-Covid-19: Guidance for Remote Public Meetings in New Jersey, issued on April 24, 2020, that the regular meeting of the Rockaway Valley Regional Sewerage Authority will convene telephonically and/or Zoom Video on Thursday, December 10, 2020, at 7 P.M. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the offices of the RVRSA will be closed to the public for this meeting due to concerns for public health and safety however; the public is invited to participate in the meeting telephonically or through Zoom Video Meeting.

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The agenda is available on the website of the RVRSA at https://rvrsa.org/agenda/

- This meeting was posted on the RVRSA website and on the public notice board in the main RVRSA building.
- This meeting was advertised in the Daily Record and the Star Ledger newspapers.

Assistant Board Secretary, Janice Fox, read a statement that timely notice of the meeting had been provided in accordance with the Open Public Meeting Act to member municipalities, members of the Authority and designated newspapers.

The salute to the United States flag followed.

Roll Call Attendance was taken:

The following Board Members were present: Messrs. Andes of Town of Denville, Corbett of the

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Borough of Wharton, Farrell of Township of Boonton, Guadagno of Township of Randolph, Isselin of Town of Dover, Rossi of Borough of Rockaway, Schorno of Township of Rockaway.

The following member was absent: Cegelka of Borough of Victory Gardens, Recchia of Town of Boonton, and Zuppa of City of Jersey City.

There was a quorum.

Also present was Diane Alexander, Esq. and Brad Carney of Maraziti Falcon. Authority staff present was JoAnn Mondsini, Robert Bocchino, and Janice Fox.

Correspondence

RVRSA Covid Plan Five

Consent Agenda

- Minutes of November 12, 2020 Board Meeting.
- Resolution 20-102 Resolution to approve Contract Amendment for Chilton

Commissioner Corbett offered the Consent Agenda and second by Commissioner Guadagno and approved on a roll call vote as follows:

Yeas: (7) Andes, Corbett, Farrell, Guadagno, Isselin, Rossi, Schorno

Nays: (0) None Abstain: (0) None

Absent: (3) Recchia, Cegelka, and Zuppa

Consent Agenda passed on 7 yeas.

Commissioner Corbett offered **Resolution 20-107** Resolution Authorizing Transfer of Funds and second by Commissioner Guadagno and approved on a roll call vote as follows:

Yeas: (7) Andes, Corbett, Farrell, Guadagno, Isselin, Rossi, Schorno

Nays: (0) None Abstain: (0) None

Absent: (3) Recchia, Cegelka, and Zuppa Resolution 20-107 passed on 7 yeas.

Executive Committee - Meeting held November 20, 2020 and December 8, 2020.

Commissioner Schorno gave the Report:

- Review of Covid Plan Five.
- Review of proposals for 2021 Professional Services Contracts.

Commissioner Schorno offered **Resolution 20-103** – Resolution Authorizing Remote Meeting Procedures and second by Commissioner Guadagno and approved on a roll call vote as follows:

Yeas: (6) Corbett, Farrell, Guadagno, Isselin, Rossi, Schorno

Nays: (0) None Abstain: (1) Andes

Absent: (3) Cegelka, Recchia, Zuppa Resolution 20-103 passed on 6 yeas.

Commissioner Schorno offered Resolution 20-104 Resolution to Approve 2nd Amendment to

Annual PS Contract with Mott MacDonald and second by Commissioner Guadagno and approved on a roll call vote as follows:

Yeas: (7) Andes, Corbett, Farrell, Guadagno, Isselin, Rossi, Schorno

Nays: (0) None Abstain: (0) None

Absent: (3) Recchia, Cegelka, and Zuppa Resolution 20-104 passed on 7 yeas.

Planning Committee - No meeting held.

No Report

Operations Committee - No meeting held.

- Operation and Maintenance and Trunkline Reports are in the packet.
- JoAnn stated that the Operations Committee has a Negotiations Committee meeting for Union negotiations scheduled for December 15 2020 and the Union Meeting is December 17, 2020

<u>Infrastructure Committee</u> – Meeting held November 25, 2020 and December 7, 2020 Commissioner Andes gave the update:

- Contract 35 Rebid II-Discussion of project status and schedule
- Contract 35 Rebid II-Bypass pumping issues and syphoning. Glenn discussed the original plans and alternate pumping plan. JoAnn discussed the pre-bid meeting with the project.
- Update of Contract 41 Bid-JoAnn stated that we issued addendum 4 to extend the bid opening date and addendum 5 to address some issues that came up. Next Friday the 18th will be the bid opening.

Jersey City Committee - No meeting held.

Report:

Trial date is scheduled for March 15, 2021

Sewer User Committee - Meeting held December 10, 2020

- Report- discussed the waiving of unused capacity charges.
- Resolution 20-105- Resolution Approving Public Notice to Amend Service Rules was tabled.

Finance Committee - Meeting held December 8, 2020.

- Report by Commissioner Corbett-
- CFO's Report is in the packet.

Commissioner Corbett offered **Resolution 20-108** – Resolution to Authorize Payment of Vouchers for \$828,966.39 and Second by Commissioner Guadagno and approved on a roll call vote as follows:

Yeas: (6) Corbett, Farrell, Guadagno, Isselin, Rossi, Schorno

Nays: (0) None Abstain: (1) Andes

Absent: (3) Recchia, Cegelka, and Zuppa Resolution 20-108 passed on 7 yeas.

Executive Director's Report

- HR/Safety Coordinators Report is in the packet.
- Executive Directors Report is in the packet.

Engineers Report

Robert Bocchino gave an update:

- Contract 35 to be discussed in closed session.
- Contract 40-clarifier project- minor punch list items are being resolved. Project should be closed out by the February meeting.
- Contract 41-bid next week.
- Engineering Report is in the packet.
- Industrial Pre-Treatment Report is in the packet.
- Electrical Engineer's Report is in the packet.
- IPP Report is in the packet.

Lawyers Report

No Report

Closed Session

Commissioner Corbett offered **Resolution 20-109** Closed Session re Contract Rebid II and second by Commissioner Guadagno and approved on a roll call vote as follows:

Yeas: (7) Andes, Corbett, Farrell, Guadagno, Isselin, Rossi, Schorno

Nays: (0) Abstain: (0)

Absent: (3) Recchia, Cegelka, and Zuppa Resolution 20-109 passed on 7 yeas.

Commissioner Corbett offered **Resolution 20-106** Resolution Authorizing Application for Supplemental Loan and second by Commissioner Guadagno and approved on a roll call vote as follows:

Yeas: (7) Andes, Corbett, Farrell, Guadagno, Isselin, Rossi, Schorno

Nays: (0) None Abstain: (0) None

Absent: (3) Recchia, Cegelka, and Zuppa Resolution 20-106 passed on 7 yeas.

Old Business

No Report

New Business

No Report

Public Portion

The public portion was open at 7:23 PM. There was no public present. The public portion ended at 7:23 PM.

Commissioner Guadagno made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Second by Commissioner Corbett and approved by all present.

Meeting ended at 7:24 PM.

The next scheduled meeting is January 14, 2020.

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Assistant Board Secretary