

TOMS RIVER MUNICIPAL UTILITIES AUTHORITY
Meeting Number Twelve Hundred Forty Nine

Agenda

December 14, 2021

The regular meeting of the Toms River Municipal Utilities Authority was held on Tuesday, December 14, 2021 at 4:30 P.M. at the office of the Authority, 340 West Water Street, Toms River, New Jersey 08753.

The following were present:

Charles S. Valvano, Chairman

Tariq M. Siddiqui, Vice-Chairman

Deborah L. Clement, Commissioner

Ben A. Montenegro, Commissioner

Philip I. Brilliant, Commissioner

Joseph G. Bilotta, Alt. Commissioner

Dr. Alfonso J. Manforti, Alt. Commissioner

Bernard Rutkowski, Executive Director/Sec'y.-Treas.

Joseph D. Coronato, Esquire, Counsel

Rosemary Rosetto, Chief Financial Officer

Nicholas Otten, Authority Engineer

Scott Tirella, Safety & Compliance Officer

Christina Diamante, Executive Assistant/Assistant Sec'y

Meeting #1249 was called to order at 4:30 p.m., December 14, 2021 by Chairman Valvano.

Ms. Diamante, Assistant Secretary, reported that in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Law, P. L. 1975, c. 231, notice of this meeting was posted on the Township Bulletin Board, the Authority Bulletin Board, filed with the Clerk's Office and published in the Asbury Park Press.

Ms. Diamante called the roll. Dr. Manforti, Mr. Bilotta, Mr. Brilliant, Mr. Montenegro, Mrs. Clement, Mr. Siddiqui and Mr. Valvano were present.

Minutes of Meetings for Approval

A. Meeting #1248 - November 23, 2021 - New Submission

A motion was made by Mrs. Clement and seconded by Mr. Siddiqui to approve the minutes of Meeting #1248 November 23, 2021, as written. A roll call vote was taken with Mrs. Clement, Mr. Siddiqui, Mr. Brilliant, Mr. Montenegro and Mr. Valvano all casting affirmative votes.

Disbursements

A motion was made by Mrs. Clement and seconded by Mr. Brilliant to approve payment of the Operating Expenses as listed in the amount of \$831,819.61. A roll call vote was taken with Mrs. Clement, and

Mr. Brilliant casting affirmative votes. Mr. Montenegro, Mr. Siddiqui and Mr. Valvano all voted yes with the exception of the reimbursements to themselves.

Additional Disbursements

There were no additional disbursements listed.

Ratification of Monthly Transfer & Investment Resolutions

A motion was made by Mrs. Clement and seconded by Mr. Brilliant to ratify the monthly transfer and investment resolutions. A roll call vote was taken with Mrs. Clement, Mr. Brilliant, Mr. Montenegro, Mr. Siddiqui and Mr. Valvano all casting affirmative votes.

Financial Reports

A motion was made by Mrs. Clement and seconded by Mr. Montenegro to enter the financial reports 6A-6F into the record. A roll call vote was taken with Mrs. Clement, Mr. Montenegro, Mr. Brilliant, Mr. Siddiqui and Mr. Valvano all casting affirmative votes.

Finance & Investments: 6G

There was no Funds for Investing report at the time of the meeting. According to past practice, Mr. Valvano asked for a motion and a second so when the principal payments for investing do come in the CFO has the authority to put them in the Ocean First Trust Account. A motion was made by Mrs. Clement and seconded by Mr. Brilliant. A roll call vote was taken with Mrs. Clement, Mr. Brilliant, Mr. Montenegro, Mr. Siddiqui and Mr. Valvano all casting affirmative votes.

Operating Reports

A motion was made by Mrs. Clement and seconded by Mr. Siddiqui that the operating reports 7A-7G were accepted as presented. A roll call vote was taken with Mrs. Clement, Mr. Siddiqui, Mr. Brilliant, Mr. Montenegro and Mr. Valvano all casting affirmative votes.

Development Applications-Major Sub Divisions

There were no applications submitted for approval.

Authority Meeting

A motion was made by Mr. Brilliant and seconded by Mr. Montenegro to cancel the Authority meeting scheduled for Thursday, December 30, 2021. A roll call vote was taken with Mr. Brilliant, Mr. Montenegro, Mrs. Clement, Mr. Siddiqui and Mr. Valvano all casting affirmative votes. The next Authority meeting was confirmed for Tuesday, January 25, 2022, at 4:30 p.m. in the TRMUA conference room.

Adoption of Resolutions/Capital Purchases

9A-3 - A motion was made by Mr. Siddiqui and seconded by Mr. Montenegro to authorize the execution to transfer funds to the Systems Renovation Reserve. A roll call vote was taken with Mr. Siddiqui, Mr. Montenegro, Mr. Brilliant, Mrs. Clement and Mr. Valvano all casting affirmative votes.

9A-4 - A motion was made by Mr. Siddiqui and seconded by Mrs. Clement to authorize the 2022 adopted budget. A roll call vote was taken with Mr. Siddiqui, Mrs. Clement, Mr. Brilliant, Mr. Montenegro and Mr. Valvano all casting affirmative votes.

9A-5 – A motion was made by Mr. Siddiqui and seconded by Mrs. Clement to approve the appropriation transfer between the rehab budget and the capital budget. A roll call vote was taken with Mr. Siddiqui, Mrs. Clement, Mr. Brilliant, Mr. Montenegro and Mr. Valvano all casting affirmative votes.

9A-6 – A motion was made by Mrs. Clement and seconded by Mr. Siddiqui to approve the appropriation transfer to upgrade 8 pump station alarm systems. A roll call vote was taken with Mrs. Clement, Mr. Siddiqui, Mr. Brilliant, Mr. Montenegro and Mr. Valvano all casting affirmative votes.

9B - Unfinished Business

None.

Committee Reports

Legal

Mr. Coronato reached out to Mr. Riley about the pump station on Green Island, but he has not responded back yet. A meeting may need to be set up.

Engineering & Technology

The Engineering Committee discussed the HVAC project, a PO has been issued and hopefully the work will be started soon so the AC system is operating for summer 2022. There was a brief discussion on how a lot of our vendors rates will be increasing in 2022 so it's good that this project is moving along.

Regionalization

None.

Personnel

The two new employees are doing well, one is still on probation. The two employees with covid are cleared and back at work.

Land

None.

Finance

Chairman Valvano started by wishing everyone a happy and healthy holiday season and new year, he then congratulated the Executive Director, Mr. Rutkowski, on passing his C4 license test. Commissioner Clement added there was very little response with the 2022 bills going out, only two very irate customers.

Public Comments

Mrs. Rosetto reported there was another accident at the intersection by the Authority on the corner. Seeing no further public comments, Chairman Valvano closed the public portion of the meeting.

Correspondence

None.

Resolution to Enter Executive Session

No executive session was held.

Adjournment

With no further business to come before the Board, a motion was made by Mrs. Clement and seconded by Mr. Montenegro to adjourn the meeting at 4:47 p.m. A roll call vote was taken with Mrs. Clement, Mr. Montenegro, Mr. Brilliant, Mr. Siddiqui and Mr. Valvano all casting affirmative votes.