

**ATLANTIC COUNTY UTILITIES AUTHORITY
MARCH 17, 2022 – 3:00 PM
6700 Delilah Road, Egg Harbor Township, NJ**

PRESENT FOR THE AUTHORITY

Marvin Embry	Chair
Fred Akers	Member - zoom
Andrew Berenato	Member - phone
Maria Mento	Member - zoom
Richard Dovey	President
Brian Lefke	Senior Vice President of Solid Waste & Authority Secretary
Joseph Pantalone	Vice President Wastewater
Linda Bazemore	Vice President of Administration & Finance/CFO
Matthew DeNafo	Vice President of Centralized Maintenance & Asset Management
Thomas Ganard	Chief Engineer
John Conover	Deputy Chief Engineer
Katherine Vesey	Director of Finance
Patricia Keeper	Assistant Board Secretary

ALSO PRESENT

Keith Davis, Esq.	Nehmad, Davis & Goldstein
Stephanie Farrell, Esq.	Nehmad, Davis & Goldstein (for closed session only) - zoom
Rachel Goloff, Esq.	Asst. County Counsel
Digesh Patel, CPA	Mercadien - zoom
Matthew Daly, CPA	Mercadien - zoom

Chairman Embry called the meeting to order at 3:15 p.m. and announced that the notice of the 2022-2023 Meeting Schedule was mailed to the Atlantic City Press, The Daily Journal, The Clerk of Atlantic County, and The Clerk of The Atlantic County Board of Commissioners on February 18, 2022 in compliance with the Open Public Meetings Act, NJSA 10:4-6, *et seq.* and it was posted on the bulletin board of the Atlantic County Utilities Authority in the administration building, and Notice of Live Streaming of this meeting was mailed to the Atlantic City Press, The Daily Journal, The Clerk of Atlantic County, and The Clerk of The Atlantic County Board of Commissioners on February 28, 2022 and both notices were posted on the bulletin board of the Atlantic County Utilities Authority in the administration building.

Flag Salute

Roll call was taken by Brian Lefke which reflected a quorum was present.

Chairman Embry	present
Fred Akers	present - zoom
Andrew Berenato	present - phone
John Lyons	absent
Judy Ward	absent
Laura Pfrommer	absent
Maria Mento	present - zoom

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE FEBRUARY 17, 2022 MEETING – voted on and approved by all members.

BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS: None.

BOARD COMMENT: None

PUBLIC COMMENT: None.

NEW BUSINESS: None.

OLD BUSINESS: None.

ALL RESOLUTIONS APPROVED.

RESOLUTION COMMENTS:

Resolution 22-3-85: Authorizing a contract amendment to contract with C. Abbonizio Contractors, Inc. for Brigantine Force Main Replacement, Bid No. 2020-WW-01. Amount of increase is \$41,490.52. Explanation: For additional work requested by the ACUA. Will close out the contract.

Maria Mento noted that a total of one change order for 1.95% increase is phenomenal for a \$2 million contract.

Resolution 22-3-92: Accepting 2020 Audit.

Linda Bazemore said that completion of the Audit was held up because we were waiting for post-employment and pension information from the State.

Digesh Patel and Matt Daly presented an overview of the 2020 Audit Report. The Audit was once again clean with no comments or recommendations and the Authority once again received the highest form of opinion.

Chairman Embry and the Board expressed accolades and all applauded Linda Bazemore and Katie Vesey and staff for a job well done. Linda also praised and thanked Katie and her staff.

Resolution 22-3-94: Authorizing an Executive Session.

No formal action was taken.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:02 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Brian G. Lefke
Board Secretary

TO: Brian G. Lefke, Secretary
Atlantic County Utilities Authority

FROM: Honorable Dennis Levinson, Atlantic County Executive

RE: Minutes of Meeting – March 17, 2022

I. The Minutes of the above referenced meeting were submitted pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:41A-37 et seq. on _____,

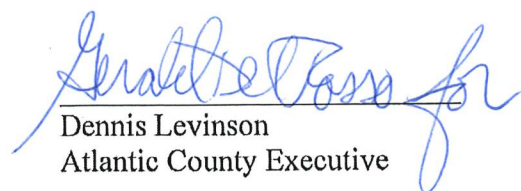
- (a) by the end of the fifth business day following the meeting.
- (b) ___ as soon as practicable following the meeting where emergency action has been taken.
- (c) ___ beyond the statutory period for submission.

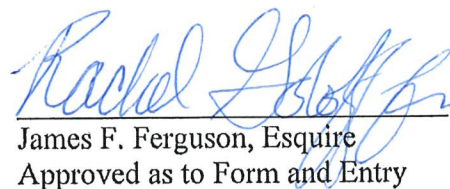
II. I hereby return the Minutes of the above referenced meeting to the Authority and to the Board of Freeholders, on the date set forth above, which is

- (a) within ten days of delivery.
- (b) ___ within twenty-four (24) hours of delivery where the action at the meeting was deemed by the Authority to be in response to an emergency situation.

III. The following action is taken on the Minutes:

- (a) Approved in all respects.
- (b) ___ Vetoed in all respects. A written explanation of the reasons for the veto is attached.
- (c) ___ Approved in part and vetoed in part.
The specific items which are vetoed and a written explanation of the reasons for the veto or vetoes is attached.


Dennis Levinson
Atlantic County Executive


James F. Ferguson, Esquire
Approved as to Form and Entry

Date:

cc: Sonya Harris, Clerk to the Atlantic County Board of County Commissioners

ATTACHMENTS: Minutes
 ___ Veto Message