The regular meeting of the Pennsville Sewerage Authority was called to order by Chairman Robert McDade at 7:00 p.m. on Thursday, April 14, 2016 in the Municipal Building, 90 North Broadway, Pennsville, New Jersey. Chairman McDade read the Open Public Meetings Act Statement and led all present with the Pledge to the flag.

Authority members present in addition to Chairman Robert McDade were Mary Lou Chollis, Scott Hourigan, William Masten, and Bernard Sennstrom II. Other attendees included Authority Alternate Member John Smith, Authority Solicitor Walter J. Ray, Authority Superintendent Ronald E. Cooksey, and Authority Engineer David Palgutta, William Mesogianes of Sickels and Associates, and Authority Clerk Diane Ford.

Chairman McDade asked the Board to review the monthly budget report.

Resolution No. 16-42-SA APPROVING PAYMENT OF BILLS PROPERLY AUDITED

Member Sennstrom moved for adoption of Resolution No. 16-42-SA and Member Chollis seconded. Roll call vote as follows: Chollis-yes; Hourigan-yes; Masten-yes; McDade-yes; Sennstrom-yes. Resolution No. 16-42-SA is approved.

Resolution No. 16-43-SA APPROVING MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE PENNSVILLE SEWERAGE AUTHORITY WHICH TOOK PLACE ON MARCH 10, 2016

Member Sennstrom moved for adoption of Resolution No. 16-43-SA and Member Chollis seconded. Roll call vote as follows: Chollis-yes; Hourigan-yes; Masten-yes; McDade-yes; Sennstrom-yes. Resolution No. 16-43-SA is approved.

Resolution No. 16-44-SA AUTHORIZING THE AUTHORITY CHAIRMAN TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH THE “J” BOYS FOR 2016 LAWN SERVICES AT THE AUTHORITY’S 15 PUMPING STATIONS AND A 126’ X 62’ LOT ON FAIRVIEW AVENUE IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED $7,000

Member Sennstrom moved for adoption of Resolution No. 16-44-SA and Member Chollis seconded. Roll call vote as follows: Chollis-yes; Hourigan-yes; Masten-yes; McDade-yes; Sennstrom-yes. Resolution No. 16-44-SA is approved.

Resolution No. 16-45-SA AUTHORIZING THE AUTHORITY CHAIRMAN TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH A&M PRODUCTS FOR THE PURCHASE OF FOUR 55 GALLON DRUMS OF LIFT STATION DEGREASER AT A COST NOT TO EXCEED $7,409.00 (WHICH COST INCLUDES FREIGHT)

Member Sennstrom moved for adoption of Resolution No. 16-45-SA and Member Chollis seconded. Roll call vote as follows: Chollis-yes; Hourigan-yes; Masten-yes; McDade-yes; Sennstrom-yes. Resolution No. 16-45-SA is approved.
The first discussion item was the C & H Contract. C&H asked for a price increase due to unexpected charges on their end and the way the sludge was handled. Superintendent Cooksey discussed this with the Chairman and recommended C&H be released from their contract and put the contract back out to bid to see what the market was like. A bid offer was received and the Board agreed to move forward with that bid.

Resolution No. 16-46-SA AUTHORIZING THE AUTHORITY CHAIRMAN TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT WHICH WILL TERMINATE THE AUTHORITY’S CONTRACT WITH C&H SEWER SERVICES FOR SLUDGE REMOVAL

Member Sennstrom moved for adoption of Resolution No. 16-46-SA and Member Chollis seconded. Roll call vote as follows: Chollis-yes; Hourigan-yes; Masten-yes; McDade-yes; Sennstrom-yes. Resolution No. 16-46-SA is approved.

Resolution No. 16-47-SA AUTHORIZING THE AUTHORITY CHAIRMAN TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT WITH AQUA-TEX TRANSPORT FOR SLUDGE REMOVAL SERVICES

Member Sennstrom moved for adoption of Resolution No. 16-47-SA and Member Chollis seconded. Roll call vote as follows: Chollis-yes; Hourigan-yes; Masten-yes; McDade-yes; Sennstrom-yes. Resolution No. 16-47-SA is approved.

Resolution No. 16-48-SA AUTHORIZING THE AUTHORITY CHAIRMAN TO EXECUTE A PROPOSAL ACCEPTANCE & NOTICE TO PROCEED WHICH WILL AUTHORIZE THE AUTHORITY ENGINEER TO RENDER ENGINEERING SERVICES ASSOCIATED WITH THE DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION OF A STANDBY POWER SYSTEM FOR THE AUTHORITY’S TREATMENT PLANT

Member Sennstrom moved for adoption of Resolution No. 16-48-SA and Member Chollis seconded. Roll call vote as follows: Chollis-yes; Hourigan-yes; Masten-yes; McDade-yes; Sennstrom-yes. Resolution No. 16-48-SA is approved.

The next discussion item was 7 White Street owned by David Owens. Clerk Ford stated all members were provided a packet, which includes two prior letters sent to Mr. Owens and sample letters that she would like the Board’s direction on which one they wanted sent to Mr. Owens. Clerk Ford advised the Board she has spoken to Mr. Owens on a couple different occasions and Mr. Owens has stated he does not have the means to pay and has not made any attempt to work out a payment plan. There was a discussion that if the charges were not paid before the Tax Collector’s annual tax lien sale, the property would be put in the sale for back charges. The Board decided the 4th quarter of 2015 as well as the 1st quarter of 2016 must be paid before the delinquency process in May is complete or the water service will be terminated. Also, the back charges will go into the lien sale unless they are paid before that point. Clerk Ford will advise Mr. Owens of the Board’s decision by sending a letter explaining the process.
The last discussion item is 5 White Street. Clerk Ford advised the Board there is currently a lien on the property but will be handled the same as 7 White Street. This property will be billed the connection fee and back-billed for the illegal connection. All current charges will be included in the subsequent requests.

Next on the agenda is the Engineer’s report. Engineer Palgutta had nothing to report.

The Superintendent’s report was next on the agenda. Superintendent Cooksey stated the plant is in compliance.

Superintendent Cooksey reported that:

- Discharge Permit-DEP back logged still waiting for new Permit
- 60 N. River Dr. – Gas odor call, nothing found however the Gas powered Generator did run.
- Drainage complaints- Homeowner issues
- Heavy Equipment Training
- New software training from Pierce Eagle Equipment
- Videoking as often as possible
- New employee is doing well

The meeting was open to the public.

Chairman McDade entertained a motion to adjourn. Member Sennstrom so moved, Member Chollis seconded. All “aye”, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:47 p.m.

Taped by Diane L. Ford
Transcribed by Ashley B. Rivera
Official tape and approved resolutions on file in the Sewerage Authority Office.

PENNSVILLE SEWERAGE AUTHORITY

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Scott Hourigan, Secretary