The regular meeting of the Pennsville Sewerage Authority was called to order by Chairman Robert McDade at 7:00 p.m. on Thursday, September 8, 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, and Authority Superintendent Ronald E. Cooksey, William Mesogianes of Sickels and Associates, Authority Engineer David Palgutta, Henry Ludwigsen, Auditor with Bowman and Company and Authority Clerk Diane Ford.

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

Resolution No. 16-70-SA APPROVING PAYMENT OF BILLS PROPERLY AUDITED

Member Sennstrom moved for adoption of Resolution No. 16-70-SA and Member Chollis seconded. Roll call vote as follows: Chollis-yes; Hourigan-yes; Masten-yes; McDade-yes; Sennstrom-yes. Resolution No. 16-70-SA is approved.

Resolution No. 16-71-SA APPROVING MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE PENNSVILLE SEWERAGE AUTHORITY WHICH TOOK PLACE ON August 11, 2016

Member Sennstrom moved for adoption of Resolution No. 16-71-SA and Member Chollis seconded. Roll call vote as follows: Chollis-yes; Hourigan-yes; Masten-abstain; McDade-yes; Sennstrom-yes; Smith-yes. Resolution No. 16-71-SA is approved.

Resolution No. 16-72-SA REPEALING PORTIONS OF THE AUTHORITY’S PERSONNEL POLICY MANUAL AND IN ITS PLACE ADOPTING REVISED SECTIONS AS MANDATED BY THE CUMBERLAND, GLOUCESTER AND SALEM COUNTIES JOINT INSURANCE FUND

Member Sennstrom moved for adoption of Resolution No. 16-72-SA and Member Chollis seconded. Roll call vote as follows: Chollis-yes; Hourigan-yes; Masten-yes McDade-yes; Sennstrom-yes. Resolution No. 16-72-SA is approved.

Resolution No. 16-73-SA INTRODUCING THE 2017 AUTHORITY BUDGET

Member Masten questioned at what point is a rate increase considered. CFO John Willadsen explained when the 2020 Bond issue is paid, approximately $550,000 will be freed up annually. Member Sennstrom moved for adoption of Resolution No. 16-73-SA and Member Chollis seconded. Roll call vote as follows: Chollis-yes; Hourigan-yes; Masten-yes McDade-yes; Sennstrom-yes. Resolution No. 16-73-SA is approved.
There was a brief discussion regarding the connection at 32 Michigan Road. The sewer was connected at the Ricketts’ property. Mr. Ricketts wanted the connection corrected. Superintendent Cooksey advised the connection has to be corrected and since they have been paying sewer bills all along and it appears a connection fee was paid back in the 1970’s, the Authority needs to do a short extension of about 70 feet. The work will be done by the Sewer Department and Superintendent Cooksey feels it should not cost more than $1,500.00. The plumbing will be done by the homeowner. Chairman McDade entertained a motion to approve the short extension. Member Sennstrom so moved, Member Chollis seconded. All “aye” motion carried.

Another discussion item was Shimp’s Hardware possibly closing. Member Masten questioned where supplies would be purchased from if closed. Superintendent Cooksey wasn’t aware of possible closing, however he stated could use Smicks Lumber in Alloway.

Next on the agenda is the Engineer’s report. Standby Project submittals have been processed and returned. There is a Pre-Construction meeting scheduled for September 13th at 10 a.m.

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

Superintendent Cooksey reported that:

- New Crane installed
- New cable for video trailer
- Video Inspections
- Helping the Board of Education locate pipes in the field house
- Gas line through sewer main on Grace Avenue. Gas Company videoing sewer lines to confirm lateral, even though they shouldn’t be. Member Sennstrom questioned road opening permit. Superintendent Cooksey will call Donna
- Low flows- dry summer
- DEP- add testing, Inside or outside testing

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 7:35 p.m.

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Scott Hourigan, Secretary