The regular meeting of the Pennsville Sewerage Authority was called to order by Chairman Bernard Sennstrom, II, at 6:30 p.m. on Thursday, March 12, 2020 in the Municipal Building, 90 North Broadway, Pennsville, New Jersey. Chairman Sennstrom read the Open Public Meetings Act Statement and led all present with the Pledge to the flag.

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

Chairman Sennstrom asked the Board if they had reviewed the monthly budget report.

Resolution No. 20-35-SA APPROVING PAYMENT OF BILLS PROPERLY AUDITED

Member McDade moved for adoption of Resolution No. 20-35-SA and Member Chollis seconded.

Member Masten had a question regarding a payment in the budget. There was some discussion regarding the payment.

Roll call vote as follows: Chollis – yes; Hourigan – yes; Masten – yes; McDade – yes; Sennstrom – yes; Smith – yes. Resolution No. 20-35-SA is approved.

Resolution No. 20-36-SA APPROVING MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE PENNSVILLE SEWERAGE AUTHORITY WHICH TOOK PLACE ON FEBRUARY 13, 2020

Member McDade moved for adoption of Resolution No. 20-36-SA and Member Chollis seconded. Roll call vote as follows: Chollis – yes; Hourigan – yes; Masten – yes; McDade – yes; Sennstrom – yes; Smith – yes. Resolution No. 20-36-SA is approved.

Resolution No. 20-37-SA APPROVING MINUTES OF AN EXECUTIVE SESSION OF THE PENNSVILLE SEWERAGE AUTHORITY WHICH TOOK PLACE ON FEBRUARY 13, 2020

Member McDade moved for adoption of Resolution No. 20-37-SA and Member Chollis seconded. Roll call vote as follows: Chollis – yes; Hourigan – yes; Masten – yes; McDade – yes; Sennstrom – yes; Smith – yes. Resolution No. 20-37-SA is approved.

Resolution No. 20-39-SA AUTHORIZING THE AUTHORITY’S CHAIRMAN TO EXECUTE A PROPOSAL ACCEPTANCE AND NOTICE TO PROCEED WHICH WILL AUTHORIZE THE AUTHORITY ENGINEER TO RENDER ENGINEERING SERVICES ASSOCIATED WITH THAT PROJECT COMMONLY KNOWN AS INSTALLATION OF MULTIPLE RBC’S-DESIGN PHASE PROJECT

Member McDade moved for adoption of Resolution No. 20-39-SA and Member Chollis seconded. Roll call vote as follows: Chollis – yes; Hourigan – yes; Masten – yes; McDade – yes; Sennstrom – yes; Smith – yes. Resolution No. 20-39-SA is approved.
Resolution No. 20-40-SA AUTHORIZING THE AUTHORITY’S CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER TO PAY STANDARD PIPE SERVICES LLC FOR PIPE LINING AND ASSOCIATED SERVICES IN THE AMOUNT OF $17,000

Member McDade moved for adoption of Resolution No. 20-40-SA and Member Chollis seconded. Roll call vote as follows: Chollis – yes; Hourigan – yes; Masten – yes; McDade – yes; Sennstrom – yes; Smith – yes. Resolution No. 20-40-SA is approved.

First for discussion is regarding the Authority’s Newspaper provider. Solicitor Ray explained he has looked into the state statute in regards to posting notice. He advised the Authority is required to use two daily papers for public notices and made the suggestion to use Courier Post and South Jersey Times. There was some discussion regarding newspaper choices. The following resolution was read at the table:


WHEREAS, the Chairman and members of the Pennsville Sewerage Authority have determined that it is both necessary and proper to designate the Courier Post as one of the Authority’s official newspapers.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Chairman and members of the Pennsville Sewerage Authority that:

1. They hereby adopt the facts and determinations as set forth in the preamble of this resolution as if the same were more fully set forth herein, and which facts and determinations shall have the same binding effect as the paragraph set forth herein below.
2. Pennsville Sewerage Authority Resolution Number 20-19-SA is hereby amended to include the Courier Post as one of the Authority’s official newspapers.

Member McDade moved for adoption of Resolution No. 20-41-SA and Member Chollis seconded. Roll call vote as follows: Chollis – yes; Hourigan – yes; Masten – yes; McDade – yes; Sennstrom – yes; Smith – yes. Resolution No. 20-41-SA is approved.

Next for discussion, Member Chollis speaks regarding COVID-19 protocol. Member McDade advised he was in the process of implementing a policy on the Township side. There was discussion regarding the precautions being taken to avoid spreading the virus.

Engineer’s report is next on the agenda. Engineer Palgutta reported:

- Pump station No. 3 moving forward since last meeting. Planning documents to be submitted. Draft to be reviewed before submittal.
• Looked at some resolutions, will contact the clerk regarding what is currently approved. Additional resolutions will be considered at the next meeting for construction phase proposal to be approved and submitted to DEP for review. Also a need for authority certifications.

The superintendent’s report is the next item on the agenda. Superintendent Cooksey reported:

• Working with Highway Department trying to get pipe cleaned and prepared for lining.
• Line capping was done for some demo’s in town.

Chairman Sennstrom had a question for Superintendent Cooksey regarding Standard Pipe Services.

The meeting was opened to the public.

A resident was present to discuss a matter involving sewer hook up to her brother’s home on Christmas Tree Lane. There was discussion regarding this new sewer connection.

Resolution. 20-38-SA AUTHORIZING A CLOSED SESSION IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT

A matter involving the terms and conditions of a collective bargaining agreement.

Member McDade moved for adoption of Resolution No. 20-38-SA and Member Chollis seconded. Roll call vote as follows: Chollis – yes; Hourigan – yes; Masten – yes; McDade – yes; Sennstrom – yes; Smith – yes. Resolution No. 20-38-SA is approved.

Closed session minutes on a separate document.

Resolution No. 20-42-SA A RESOLUTION OF THE CHAIRMAN AND MEMBERS OF THE PENNSVILLE SEWERAGE AUTHORITY AUTHORIZING THE AUTHORITY’S CHAIRMAN TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH TEAMSTERS LOCAL UNION 676 AFFILIATED WITH THE INTERNATIONAL BROTHERHOOD OF TEAMSTERS, AFL/CIO

WHEREAS, the Chairman and members of the Pennsville Sewerage Authority have determined that it is both necessary and proper for them to enter into a contract with the union representing the Authority Employees assigned to the Authority’s Treatment Plant to wit Teamster Local Union affiliated with the International Brotherhood of Teamsters, AFL/CIO a copy of which contract is attached hereto and made a part hereof.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Chairman and members of the Pennsville Sewerage Authority that:

1. They hereby adopt the facts and determinations as set forth in the preamble of this resolution as if the same were more fully set forth herein, and which facts and
determinations shall have the same binding effect as the paragraphs set forth herein below.

2. The Authority Chairman is hereby authorized to execute the above mentioned contract which shall span the period of January 1, 2020 through December 31, 2023, a period of four years, the form of which contract has been approved by Authority Solicitor.

Member McDade moved for adoption of Resolution No. 20-42-SA and Member Chollis seconded. Roll call vote as follows: Chollis – yes; Hourigan – yes; Masten – no; McDade – yes; Sennstrom – yes; Smith – yes. Resolution No. 20-42-SA is approved.

The meeting was opened back up to the public.

Chairman Sennstrom entertained a motion to adjourn. Member McDade so moved and Member Chollis seconded. All “aye”, motion approved. Meeting adjourned at 7:44 p.m.

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PENNSVILLE SEWERAGE AUTHORITY

Scott Hourigan, Secretary