# SOUTH MONMOUTH REGIONAL SEWERAGE AUTHORITY MINUTES - CAUCUS MEETING – APRIL 14, 2016

<u>CALL TO ORDER:</u> The Caucus Meeting of the South Monmouth Regional

Sewerage Authority was called to order at 7:00 p.m. on

Thursday, April 14, 2016.

**Moment of Silence and Salute:** Led by Chairman Nicol

**Announcement:** This meeting was called in accordance with the provisions of

the Open Public Meetings Act in that an announcement of the same was mailed to the Clerks of our member municipalities on February 22, 2016; and to the Asbury Park Press and the Coast Star on February 25, 2016. The minutes of this meeting will be available after Board approval at a subsequent

meeting.

**CHAIRMAN**: Chairman Nicol acknowledged Manasquan Resolution #69-

2016 appointing Mr. George Dempsey as the South Monmouth Regional Sewerage Authority's Commissioner for Manasquan to fulfill the unexpired term effective April 4, 2016 to January 31, 2020. He welcomed Mr. Dempsey stating he believed he would be a wonderful addition to the

Authority.

**LEGAL COUNSEL** Mr. Bonello swore Mr. Dempsey as the SMRSA

Commissioner representing Manasquan.

**Roll Call:** 

Present: Commissioners Burne, Cory, Dempsey, Farrell, Lynch,

Mattia, McLean and Nicol.

Messrs. Bonello, Bujak, and Ruppel.

### **ATTORNEY'S REPORT:**

Mr. Bonello reported he worked with Mr. Ruppel on several items which will be reported during the Executive Director Report.

#### **EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT:**

#### **SYSTEM STATUS**

#### Belmar Pumping Station:

Mr. Ruppel reported the Belmar Pumping Station Project is progressing. The schedule for the project start-up is the second week of June.

### **Outfall Project:**

Mr. Ruppel reported the outfall project is still at the 90% design stage with a meeting scheduled for next week.

# Sewer Extensions:

Mr. Ruppel reported that on the Regular Open Public Meeting Agenda are two Sewer Extensions for Board of Commissioner consideration and approval. The first, Brownstones at Wall will include service to two buildings consisting of twelve, three bedroom, age restricted residential units. The second, Wall Corporate Suites consists of service for 216 hotel suites, fitness and business centers, a kitchen, dining area and a lobby. Both are located in Wall Township and will require Treatment Works Approvals.

#### **ADMINISTRATION**

#### **Personnel Items:**

Mr. Ruppel reported a resolution has been placed on the Regular Meeting Agenda for Board of Commissioner consideration and approval to make Andrew Moore a full-time permanent employee. Mr. Moore was hired as a shift operator and has received favorable performance reviews and has met his 90 day probationary period.

## S848 Bill – Regional Sewerage Authority Oversight Bill:

Mr. Ruppel reported the S848 Bill remains on the Senate floor, however, no action has been taken. He believes the reason is due to the original Bill's Sponsor is considering proposing the Bill on a local rather than on a State level.

#### SMRSA Sewer Use Rules and Regulations

Mr. Ruppel reported a resolution has been placed on the Regular Meeting Agenda for Board consideration and approval to amend the existing Sewer Use Rules and Regulations. The purpose of the amendment is to incorporate into the current surcharge rates an additional charge to be levied against a member municipality or other user discharging wastewater whose biochemical oxygen demand and/or suspended solid concentrations are in excess of those specified in Section 7 of the Rules and Regulations.

#### Co-Generation System Feasibility Study Update:

Lastly, Mr. Ruppel provided a detailed presentation giving an update on the SMRSA Co-Gen System Feasibility Study and a summary of his meeting with the Energy Resilience Bank.

#### **BUSINESS:**

- Resolution to Approve Andrew Moore as a Full-time Permanent Employee of the South Monmouth Regional Sewerage Authority
- Resolution to Amend the South Monmouth Regional Sewerage Authority's Sewer Use Rules and Regulations

- Resolution to Approve a Sewer Extension for Brownstones at Wall, Greentree Development Group, LLC
- Resolution to Approve a Sewer Extension for Wall Corporate Suites, JSM at Wall, LLC
- Adoption of Amended Official 2016 Signatories

# **COMMISSIONER'S COMMENTS:**

**PUBLIC PORTION:** It was moved by Commissioner Lynch and seconded by

Commissioner McLean to open the public portion of the meeting. On voice vote, all voted aye. A motion was made by Commissioner Burne and seconded by Commissioner Farrell to close the public portion of the meeting. On voice

vote, all voted aye.

**ADJORNMENT:** Commissioner Mattia made the motion to adjourn the Caucus

Meeting. Commissioner Cory seconded the motion. On voice

vote, all voted aye.