

SOUTH MONMOUTH REGIONAL SEWERAGE AUTHORITY
1235 18th AVENUE
BELMAR, NEW JERSEY 07719
THURSDAY, OCTOBER 12, 2017
Commencing 7:25 p.m.

RE: PUBLIC HEARING ON 2018 SEWER USE SERVICE CHARGE

RESOLUTION #89-17, ADOPTION OF 2018 SEWER USE
SERVICE CHARGE

TRANSCRIPT OF PROCEEDINGS

B E F O R E:

MICHAEL MATTIA, Chairman
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PAUL CUVA, CPA	
By: Mr. Bonello	5

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1 CHAIRMAN MATTIA: The 2018 Sewer Use
2 Service Charge hearing of the South Monmouth Regional
3 Sewerage Authority is called to order at 7:25 on
4 Thursday, October 12, 2017. This hearing has been
5 called in accordance with the provisions of the Open
6 Public Meetings Act in that an announcement of the
7 same has been mailed to the Asbury Park Press and The
8 Coast Star and to the Clerks of the member
9 municipalities on September 21, 2017.

10 The minutes of this hearing will be
11 available after board approval at a subsequent
12 meeting.

13 Roll call, please?

14 MR. KRAUSE: Commissioner Burne?

15 COMMISSIONER BURNE: Present.

16 MR. KRAUSE: Commissioner Cory?

17 COMMISSIONER CORY: Here.

18 MR. KRAUSE: Commissioner Donovan?

19 COMMISSIONER DONOVAN: Here.

20 MR. KRAUSE: Commissioner Farrell?

21 COMMISSIONER FARRELL: Here.

22 MR. KRAUSE: Commissioner Lynch?

23 COMMISSIONER LYNCH: Here.

24 MR. KRAUSE: Commissioner McLean?

25 COMMISSIONER McLEAN: Here.

1 MR. KRAUSE: Commissioner Mattia?

2 CHAIRMAN MATTIA: Here.

3 MR. KRAUSE: Commissioner Nicol?

4 COMMISSIONER NICOL: Yes, here.

5 MR. KRAUSE: Mr. Bonello?

6 MR. BONELLO: Here.

7 MR. KRAUSE: Mr. Bujak?

8 MR. BUJAK: Here.

9 MR. KRAUSE: Mr. Cuva?

10 MR. CUVA: Here.

11 MR. KRAUSE: Mr. Krause, here. Mr.

12 Timbrook?

13 MR. TIMBROOK: Here.

14 MR. KRAUSE: And for record, Mr. Ruppel
15 is excused.

16 CHAIRMAN MATTIA: Okay. Mr. Bonello, you
17 want to take control here?

18 MR. BONELLO: Sure. First of all, I want
19 to mark the exhibits in order to find jurisdiction.
20 P-1 is a copy of the actual Notice of the scheduled
21 hearing; P-2 is a copy of the Affidavit of
22 Publication for The Coast Star; P-3 is a copy of the
23 letters that were sent to the member municipality
24 Clerks; and P-4 is a copy of the Affidavit of
25 Publication for the Asbury Park Press.

1 So based upon these documents, Mr.
2 Chairman, I find that you have jurisdiction to hold
3 the hearing and I would call Mr. Paul Cuva to be
4 sworn in.

5 P A U L C U V A, C P A, sworn.

6 DIRECT EXAMINATION BY MR. BONELLO:

7 Q. Mr. Cuva, could you give us your basic
8 qualifications concerning this type of hearing
9 including your professional licenses?

10 A. I'm a licensed Certified Public Accountant,
11 Registered Municipal Accountant and Public School
12 Accountant in the State of New Jersey. I've been
13 auditing authorities for over 39 years. I've been
14 licensed for 35 years.

15 Q. Okay, and during that time have you had
16 occasion to calculate or review calculations
17 concerning the service fee for authorities such as
18 South Monmouth Regional Sewerage Authority?

19 A. Yes, I have.

20 Q. And, in fact, you've done it for South
21 Monmouth for some time?

22 A. That is correct.

23 Q. Okay, and are you familiar with the
24 statute governing the service fees, namely N.J.S.A.
25 40:14A-8(b)?

Direct - P. Cuva, CPA - Bonello

1 A. Yes, I am.

2 Q. And are you familiar with the
3 requirements in there and the use of the material
4 that you're going to use to find the new fee?

5 A. Very familiar, yes.

6 Q. And what is the new fee?

7 A. The new fee is going to be \$3,668.35 per
8 million gallons.

9 Q. Okay. And you've arrived at that after
10 review of the materials that were provided by the
11 staff of the Authority?

12 A. That is correct.

13 Q. And you find that that's accurate?

14 A. Yes, it is.

15 Q. Okay. And do you find that that increase
16 is reasonable and necessary for the operation of the
17 Authority?

18 A. Yes, it is.

19 Q. And do you recommend to the board that
20 they pass a Resolution adopting the new connection
21 fee -- new service fee?

22 A. Yes, I do.

23 MR. BONELLO: Okay. I don't have any
24 further questions. Any member of the board have any?
25 Public, is there anyone in the public? It doesn't

1 appear that there is. . . Is there a motion to close the
2 public hearing?

3 COMMISSIONER FARRELL: So moved.

4 COMMISSIONER LYNCH: Second.

5 MR. BONELLO: Okay, there is a -- all in
6 favor?

7 MULTIPLE COMMISSIONERS: Aye.

8 MR. BONELLO: Resolution 89-17 is a
9 Resolution. Someone want to move that?

10 CHAIRMAN MATTIA: Mary, you want to take
11 it?

12 COMMISSIONER BURNE: I move Resolution
13 number 89-17 to adopt the South Monmouth Regional
14 Sewerage Authority 2018 Sewer Use Service Charge for
15 the treatment of domestic sewerage at \$3,668.35 per
16 million gallons of flow effective January 1, 2018.

17 COMMISSIONER FARRELL: Second.

18 CHAIRMAN MATTIA: Roll call, please?

19 MR. KRAUSE: Commissioner Burne?

20 COMMISSIONER BURNE: Yes.

21 MR. KRAUSE: Commissioner Cory?

22 COMMISSIONER CORY: Yes.

23 MR. KRAUSE: Commissioner Donovan?

24 COMMISSIONER DONOVAN: Yes.

25 MR. KRAUSE: Commissioner Farrell?

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COMMISSIONER FARRELL: Yes.

MR. KRAUSE: Commissioner Lynch?

COMMISSIONER LYNCH: Yes.

MR. KRAUSE: Commissioner McLean?

COMMISSIONER McLEAN: Yes.

MR. KRAUSE: Commissioner Mattia?

CHAIRMAN MATTIA: Yes.

MR. KRAUSE: And Commissioner Nicol?

CHAIRMAN NICOL: Yes.

CHAIRMAN MATTIA: Is there a motion to
adjourn the Sewer Use Service Charge hearing?

COMMISSIONER BURNE: I'll make a motion.

COMMISSIONER FARRELL: Second.

CHAIRMAN MATTIA: All in favor?

MULTIPLE COMMISSIONERS: Aye.

(Whereupon the hearing was concluded at
7:29 p.m.)

CERTIFICATE OF OFFICER

I, BETSY CONDIOTTI ZVULUN, a Certified Court Reporter of the State of New Jersey and Registered Professional Reporter, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct transcript of the proceedings as taken stenographically by and before me at the time, place and on the date herein before set forth.

I DO FURTHER CERTIFY that I am neither a relative, nor employee, nor attorney, nor counsel of any of the parties to this action, and that I am neither a relative, nor employee of such attorney or counsel, and that I am not financially interested in the action.



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