

**MINUTES OF THE
STATED MEETING
January 21, 2010**

The Stated Meeting of the Borough of Conshohocken Authority was held at the Authority Building on January 21, 2010 and called to order at 7:00 PM by Mr. Felix Raimondo. The Meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

PRESENT WERE: Board Members- Mr. Felix Raimondo, Mr. James Mullen, Mr. Eugene DeSantis, Mrs. Bernadette Wallace, Solicitors-Mr. Michael Clarke and Ms. Michele Mintz, Authority Director-Mr. Stan Gober, Plant Manager- Mr. Stephen Clark, Recording Secretary-Ms. Ann Hopple, Plant Engineer-Mr. Rick Czekanski, Remington, Vernick, and Beach, Engineers.

GUESTS: Mr. Bill Natale- T&M Engineers

The amended minutes of the November 19, 2009 meeting were reviewed. A motion was made by Mr. DeSantis and seconded by Mrs. Wallace to accept the meeting minutes.

ROLL CALL: Mr. Felix Raimondo, Mr. James Mullen, Mr. Eugene DeSantis, Mrs. Bernadette Wallace. All voted yes. Motion carried unanimously.

The minutes of the December 17, 2009 meeting were reviewed. A motion was made by Mr. Mullen and seconded by Mr. DeSantis to accept the meeting minutes.

ROLL CALL: Mr. Felix Raimondo, Mr. James Mullen, Mr. Eugene DeSantis, Mrs. Bernadette Wallace. All voted yes. Motion carried unanimously.

FINANCIAL REPORT:

The vendor bill list was reviewed and discussed by the board. A motion was made by Mr. Mullen and seconded by Mr. DeSantis to accept the Financial Report.

ROLL CALL: Mr. Felix Raimondo, Mr. James Mullen, Mr. Eugene DeSantis, Mrs. Bernadette Wallace. All voted yes. Motion carried unanimously.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT:

Mr. Clarke suggested guest Mr. Natale from T&M Engineers provide his update on the belt filter press. Mr. Natale stated that the necessary parts will be available the week of February 8th and the modifications will begin. After the work is completed, the belt filter press will be operational.

Mr. Clarke requested an executive session to discuss potential litigation and a motion was made by Mr. DeSantis and seconded by Mr. Mullen to enter into an executive session.

ROLL CALL: Mr. Felix Raimondo, Mr. James Mullen, Mr. Eugene DeSantis, Mrs. Bernadette Wallace. All voted yes. Motion carried unanimously.

Following the executive session Mr. Clarke reviewed his report. A motion was made by Mr. Mullen and seconded by Mrs. Wallace to accept the Solicitor's Report.

ROLL CALL: Mr. Felix Raimondo, Mr. James Mullen, Mr. Eugene DeSantis, Mrs. Bernadette Wallace. All voted yes. Motion carried unanimously.

ENGINEER'S REPORT – REMINGTON, VERNICK & BEACH:

Mr. Czekanski reviewed his report. Regarding the bar screen replacement project, the contractor Eastern Environmental has requested a 30 day extension. This extension will prevent them from missing the deadline and being in default. A motion was made by Mr. DeSantis and seconded by Mr. Mullen to allow a 30 day contract extension on the bar screen replacement project.

ROLL CALL: Mr. Felix Raimondo, Mr. James Mullen, Mr. Eugene DeSantis, Mrs. Bernadette Wallace. All voted yes. Motion carried unanimously.

At the December meeting, a motion was made and passed of the Authority's notice of intent to award the bid for the grit removal system modifications to Eastern Environmental. The thirty day review period has passed and Eastern Environmental has provided all the necessary documents satisfying the Authority's requirements for being the lowest responsible bidder. A motion was made by Mr. DeSantis and seconded by Mrs. Wallace to award the grit removal system modification project in the amount of \$345,600 to Eastern Environmental with BCA administration having the authority to execute the contract.

ROLL CALL: Mr. Felix Raimondo, Mr. James Mullen, Mr. Eugene DeSantis, Mrs. Bernadette Wallace. All voted yes. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Czekanski proposed that the Authority increase its joint use fee imposed on WCMA and Plymouth Township for their flow to our plant from \$3.41 per thousand to \$3.49 per thousand. A motion was made by Mr. DeSantis and seconded by Mrs. Wallace to increase the fee as noted.

ROLL CALL: Mr. Felix Raimondo, Mr. James Mullen, Mr. Eugene DeSantis, Mrs. Bernadette Wallace. All voted yes. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Czekanski reviewed the required work to be done on the primary and secondary settling tanks. This work will involve concrete rehab and sludge collection equipment replacement. A motion was made by Mr. DeSantis and seconded by Mrs. Wallace for Mr. Czekanski to advertise for bid the work specifications on the primary and secondary settling tanks.

ROLL CALL: Mr. Felix Raimondo, Mr. James Mullen, Mr. Eugene DeSantis, Mrs. Bernadette Wallace. All voted yes. Motion carried unanimously.

There was discussion regarding the sampling analysis on the Rotating Biological Contactors (RBCs). Due to inconsistent results, more sampling needs to be conducted. Once sampling proceeds successfully, we would be ready for the replacement project to go out for bid. This project is presently for one train of nine. A motion was made by Mr. Mullen and seconded by Mr. DeSantis to place an advertisement to open bids on the RBC replacement project once sampling is successful.

ROLL CALL: Mr. Felix Raimondo, Mr. James Mullen, Mr. Eugene DeSantis, Mrs. Bernadette Wallace. All voted yes. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Czekanski requested the board authorize his firm to do the construction administration work for the grit removal system. A motion was made by Mrs. Wallace and seconded by Mr. Mullen for Remington, Vernick, and Beach, Engineers to complete the construction administrative services work not to exceed \$20,600.

ROLL CALL: Mr. Felix Raimondo, Mr. James Mullen, Mr. Eugene DeSantis, Mrs. Bernadette Wallace. All voted yes. Motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Mr. Mullen and seconded by Mr. DeSantis to award the 2009 Waste Load Management Report to Remington, Vernick, and Beach, Engineers, not to exceed \$3,400.

ROLL CALL: Mr. Felix Raimondo, Mr. James Mullen, Mr. Eugene DeSantis, Mrs. Bernadette Wallace. All voted yes. Motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Mrs. Wallace and seconded by Mr. Mullen to accept the Engineer's report.

ROLL CALL: Mr. Felix Raimondo, Mr. James Mullen, Mr. Eugene DeSantis, Mrs. Bernadette Wallace. All voted yes. Motion carried unanimously.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

Mr. Gober presented his report. A motion was made by Mr. DeSantis and seconded by Mr. Mullen to accept the Director's report.

ROLL CALL: Mr. Felix Raimondo, Mr. James Mullen, Mr. Eugene DeSantis, Mrs. Bernadette Wallace. All voted yes. Motion carried unanimously.

PLANT MANAGER'S REPORT:

Mr. Clark presented his report. At the December meeting a motion was made and passed for the purchase and installation of capacitors to help reduce our electric use pending review of sole source issues by our Solicitor Mr. Clarke. Mr. Clarke has reviewed those issues and determined that the purchase would require bidding and the next step would be for the Authority to put a bid specification together should we decide to proceed with the project.

A motion was made by Mr. Mullen and seconded by Mr. DeSantis to approve the plant manager's report.

ROLL CALL: Mr. Felix Raimondo, Mr. James Mullen, Mr. Eugene DeSantis, Mrs. Bernadette Wallace. All voted yes. Motion carried unanimously.

MAINTENANCE REPORT :

The maintenance report was reviewed. A motion was made by Mrs. Wallace and seconded by Mr. DeSantis to accept the maintenance report.

ROLL CALL: Mr. Felix Raimondo, Mr. James Mullen, Mr. Eugene DeSantis, Mrs. Bernadette Wallace. All voted yes. Motion carried unanimously.

COLLECTIONS REPORT :

The collections report was reviewed. A motion was made by Mr. DeSantis and seconded by Mrs. Wallace to accept the collections report.

ROLL CALL: Mr. Felix Raimondo, Mr. James Mullen, Mr. Eugene DeSantis, Mrs. Bernadette Wallace. All voted yes. Motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Mr. DeSantis and seconded by Mrs. Wallace to adjourn the meeting.

ROLL CALL: Mr. Felix Raimondo, Mr. James Mullen, Mr. Eugene DeSantis, Mrs. Bernadette Wallace. All voted yes. Motion carried unanimously.

