

THE LANDIS SEWERAGE AUTHORITY  
REGULAR MEETING  
March 7, 2011

Pledge of Allegiance.

The regular meeting of the Landis Sewerage Authority was called to order by Chairman Reuben at 6:00 p.m. The following members were present at roll call: Errickson, Gana, Galetto and Reuben. Absent: Silva

The proper notice was given to all members in accordance with the by-laws.

Chairman Reuben stated that public notice of this meeting, pursuant to the Open Public Meeting Act, has been given in the following manner:

1. Posting written notice in the lobby entrance of the Authority.
2. Hand delivering notices to the offices of the Daily Journal and The Press.
3. Filing written notices in the offices of the Authority and City Clerk.

Also present:	Dennis W. Palmer	Executive Director/Chief Engineer
	William Blaney, Esq.	Solicitor
	Robert A. Schwarz	Field Engineer
	Maureen J. DePasquale	Executive Secretary
	Nicole Currio, Esq.	Gruccio Pepper

It was moved by Gana and seconded by Galetto that the reading of the minutes of the regular meeting held on February 22, 2011, be dispensed with and the same be approved in the form submitted to all members by mail. Roll call: Errickson, Gana, Galetto and Reuben voted “yes”. Absent: Silva.

The Chairman asked if there were any general public comments or comments on the proposed Resolutions.

It was moved by Gana and seconded by Errickson that Resolution No. 2011-31, “Be it resolved by the Landis Sewerage Authority, that the following bills of items or demands are hereby approved and authorized for payment out of the Revenue Fund Revolving Payroll Account...\$66,310.91”, be adopted. Roll call: Errickson, Gana, Galetto and Reuben voted “yes”. Absent: Silva.

It was moved by Errickson and seconded by Gana that Resolution No. 2011-32, “Be it resolved by the Landis Sewerage Authority, that the following bills of items or demands are hereby approved and authorized for payment out of the Revenue Fund Bills... \$482,384.15”, be adopted. Roll call: Errickson, Gana, Galetto and Reuben voted “yes”.

Absent: Silva.

It was moved by Gana and seconded by Errickson that Resolution No. 2011-33, “A resolution authorizing correction on credits, charge-offs, refunds and cancellation of accounts in the amount of \$498.00”, be adopted. Roll call: Errickson, Gana, Galetto and Reuben voted “yes”. Absent: Silva.

It was moved by Errickson and seconded by Gana that Resolution No. 2011-34, “A resolution of the Landis Sewerage Authority authorizing payment from the Construction Fund of certain costs of the system in accordance with the provisions of the Authority's General Bond Resolution...Godwin Pumps of America \$21,905.00 electric powered trash pump”, be adopted. Roll call: Errickson, Gana, Galetto and Reuben voted “yes”. Absent: Silva.

It was moved by Gana and seconded by Errickson that Resolution No. 2011-35, “A resolution of the Landis Sewerage Authority authorizing payment from the Construction Fund of certain costs of the system in accordance with the provisions of the Authority's General Bond Resolution...Michael J. McKenna, Esq. \$640.00 legal services for Rudy's Airport”, be adopted. Roll call: Errickson, Gana, Galetto and Reuben voted “yes”. Absent: Silva.

It was moved by Gana and seconded by Galetto that Resolution No. 2011-36, “A resolution of the Landis Sewerage Authority authorizing payment from the Construction Fund of certain costs of the system in accordance with the provisions of the Authority's General Bond Resolution...Paul J. Gillespie, Inc. \$1,220.00 precast concrete lid for Plum Street pump station valve box”, be adopted. Roll call: Errickson, Gana, Galetto and Reuben voted “yes”. Absent: Silva.

It was moved by Gana and seconded by Galetto that Resolution No. 2011-37, “A resolution of the Landis Sewerage Authority authorizing payment from the Construction Fund of certain costs of the system in accordance with the provisions of the Authority's General Bond Resolution...NJ Forest Service \$2,400.00 for 20,000 loblolly hybrid seedlings”, be adopted. Roll call: Errickson, Gana, Galetto and Reuben voted “yes”. Absent: Silva.

Dennis Palmer advised that the seedlings will all be hand planted by one person. These seedlings will fill in areas where we had some losses. Dennis said we might do a fire burn to get rid of beetles. He will talk with our forester. Dennis advised that he was the speaker at Technical Transfer and about 40 people attended. Dennis also reported that we had our DOT physicals for the CDL Licenses and for entering confined space.

Dennis advised that he is pursuing shared services with the county for natural gas. All public agencies are invited to participate. We signed up but they do not know the price yet. It should be a great rate because it is a large bulk purchase. It is a three year contract.

Dennis also advised that they are working on the solar project and we had a conference call today. We had worked on the agreements and the estoppel certificate and the City has not filed them with the County yet. They are trying to wrap it up.

In response to Gana's question about putting in our own solar system, Dennis said that we have the cogeneration and wind turbine and we would get a bigger bang for our buck if we would put in another cogeneration. If we accept cow manure it will increase our gas generation.

Dennis reported on the Oxford Street project. The pipe was lined and they did the inversion on the sections that had holes in the bottom of the line.

Dennis said that the Wastewater Management Plan is completed and at the Office of Administrative Law for review and to be published in the New Jersey Register.

Regarding Rudy's Airport Dennis said that he doesn't think we did very well before the Judges in the Appellate Court. They asked tough questions of Rudy's counsel.

Mr. Gana advised that he told the Mayor that we could not give them the \$50,000.00 that they requested because we have problems of our own with the closing of Vineland Kosher Poultry. Dennis said Vineland Developmental Center is another large customer that we may lose. Dennis said the City will still collect taxes on the property and we don't get anything.

Dennis said that Menantico Estates project might be re-activated. Bob advised that the Oak Road project has 82 units.

Bob Schwarz reported on the status of the Oxford Street project and explained what was done. Bob also reported on an incident last week where a contractor at the hospital hit an unmarked water main. We will bill the hospital about \$500.00 to cover our costs. The hospital is in agreement.

Bill Blaney said that Senator Van Drew's Bill on the veto of minutes has moved forward. Dennis discussed Van Drew's Bill and the disastrous effect it would have on Authorities.

It was moved by Gana and seconded by Galetto to accept the reports of the Executive Director, Field Engineer, Solicitor and Chairman. Roll call: Errickson, Gana, Galetto and Reuben voted "yes". Absent: Silva.

Engineering/Plant Committee – The bond councils are also looking at this Bill.

The Farm Committee will meet to discuss getting a new farm tractor. The plant has to adjust to not receiving the large load from Vineland Kosher.

Bids are out for repairs to the Archimedes Screw and the maintenance on the cogeneration. We had to redo the engine on the cogeneration because antifreeze leaked into the engine and it should be good for another four years.

Budget & Finance Committee – Dennis said we will get some funding back on the Plum Street project from the City.

Human Resource Committee – Dennis advised that we advertised for a truck driver/farm worker and should fill the position in the next two weeks. We will not fill the position for an Electrician just yet.

Public Relations Committee – Authorities Association’s latest newsletter had that LSA won the 2010 Energy Star Award for its combined heat and power system from USEP.

Insurance Committee – Dennis advised that a representative from the insurance company will come in to make a presentation to the staff for the prescription drug plan. CVS and Rite Aid will be approved to use but not Walgreens. They will also explain the 30 day mail order requirement.

Allocation/Administration Committee – Dennis said that DEP has signed off on the Wastewater Management Plan and we are waiting for it to go in the New Jersey Register and then it will be adopted.

It was moved by Gana and seconded by Galetto that the Committee Reports be approved and accepted. Roll call: Errickson, Gana, Galetto and Reuben voted “yes”. Absent: Silva.

Dennis advised that the conference in Atlantic City starts tomorrow and he is on the agenda for the second day. Dennis said he will talk about legislative bills affecting health care and pension reform.

At 6:37 p. m., there being no further business to come before the Board, it was moved by Gana and seconded by Errickson that the meeting be adjourned. Roll call: Errickson, Gana, Galetto and Reuben voted “yes”. Absent: Silva.

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FRANCIS A. GANA, SECRETARY