

THE LANDIS SEWERAGE AUTHORITY
REGULAR MEETING
August 6, 2012

Pledge of Allegiance

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

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

Chairman Gana 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
Robert A. Schwarz	Field Engineer
A. Steven Fabietti	Solicitor
Carol A. Ricci	Executive Secretary

It was moved by Silva and seconded by Merighi that the reading of the minutes of the regular meeting held on July 16, 2012 be dispensed with and the same be approved in the form submitted to all members by mail. Roll call: Lewis, Merighi, Silva and Gana voted “yes”

The Chairman asked if there were any general public comments or comments on the proposed Resolutions. There were none.

Resolutions:

It was moved by Silva and seconded by Merighi that Resolution No. 2012-118, “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.....\$96,824.62”, be adopted. Roll call: Lewis, Merighi, Silva and Gana voted “yes.”

It was moved by Silva and seconded by Merighi that Resolution No. 2012-119, “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.... \$180,349.58”, be adopted. Roll call: Lewis, Merighi, Silva and Gana voted “yes.”

It was moved by Silva and seconded by Merighi that Resolution No. 2012-120, “A resolution of the Landis Sewerage Authority authorizing a two year contract with Polydyne, Inc. for supply and delivery of liquid polymer in the amount of \$133,798.50...” be adopted. Roll call: Lewis, Merighi, Silva and Gana voted “yes.”

Dennis Palmer stated that this price was very good since the price Polydyne quoted remained the same as the expiring contract.

It was moved by Silva and seconded by Merighi that Resolution No. 2012-121, “A resolution of the Landis Sewerage Authority authorizing payment from the construction fund of certain costs of the system in the amount of \$1,995.00 to Thomas J. Post, Business Manager for reimbursement regarding ebay purchase for a Toshiba 100HP VFD in accordance with the provisions of the Authority’s general bond resolution...” be adopted. Roll call: Lewis, Merighi, Silva and Gana voted “yes.”

It was moved by Silva and seconded by Lewis that Resolution No. 2012-122, “A resolution of the Landis Sewerage Authority summarizing allocation activity through the close of allocation round 140...” be adopted. Roll call: Lewis, Merighi, Silva and Gana voted “yes.”

It was moved by Silva and seconded by Lewis that Resolution No. 2012-123, “A resolution of the Landis Sewerage Authority allocating sewerage capacity for Round 140 for commercial classification...” be adopted. Roll call: Lewis, Merighi, Silva and Gana voted “yes.”

It was moved by Silva and seconded by Lewis that Resolution No. 2012-124, “A resolution of the Landis Sewerage Authority authorizing credits, charge-offs, refunds and cancellation of accounts in the amount of \$352.77...” be adopted. Roll call: Lewis, Merighi, Silva and Gana voted “yes.”

It was moved by Silva and seconded by Lewis that Resolution No. 2012-125, “A resolution of the Landis Sewerage Authority authorizing the Executive Director to sign the application to renew the Authority’s NJPDES Permit for land application of biosolids...” be adopted. Roll call: Lewis, Merighi, Silva and Gana voted “yes.”

It was moved by Silva and seconded by Lewis that Resolution No. 2012-126, “A resolution of the Landis Sewerage Authority authorizing payment from the construction fund of certain costs of the system in the amount of \$3,385.00 to Elmer Door Company for three 9’ x 10’ HAAS white doors and installation....” be adopted. Roll call: Lewis, Merighi, Silva and Gana voted “yes.”

Reports:

Executive Director:

Dennis Palmer welcomed Chairman Gana back and informed the Board that Commissioner Errickson called and said that he would be on vacation this week.

Dennis stated that Perna-Finnigan Construction started the old boro pipeline and Bob Schwarz will discuss that project further.

Dennis reported that the Shop Rite project has broken ground and there is heavy earth moving equipment located on site.

For the new Commissioner’s information, Dennis reported that we had worked with the Federal Department of Energy and the New Jersey Department of Agriculture on a project they would fund by a grant for us to receive manure at the plant. This would be extra food for the digesters and this could make more gas that could be utilized to make electricity and hot water. We have a deadline of this Friday to get our information to the Department of Agriculture so they can forward it to the Department of Energy and hopefully maintain this grant for South Jersey.

The quarterly report was mailed out to the Mayor and Council. Dennis also spoke to the Commissioners as the FBI and State Police reports was in their packets dealing with utilities.

Field Engineer:

Robert A. Schwarz reported that the consulting and engineering firm of Hatch Mott McDonald have confirmed verbally that the Plum Street pumping Station can be eliminated and verified what LSA staff had determined is accurate. A report will follow.

Bob also stated that in reference to construction on Main road from Maple to Landis, manholes are being replaced prior to paving on August 7, 2012.

The contractor installed a manhole and televised all work at 301 W. Chestnut Avenue and found an existing manhole and other issues that need to be addressed. We have written a letter to the owner.

Bob reported that the gas company's four sub-contractors are keeping LSA staff busy marking lines throughout entire old boro and other locations. It is very time consuming.

The boro trunk line project has commenced. Clearing occurred last week and manhole and pipeline installation started today, August 6, 2012. Work is anticipated to be complete in two weeks with the exception of the final restoration.

Bob stated that the Shop Rite project on West Landis Avenue will begin construction this week. There were two defective laterals that required a response from LSA at Grandview and Washington Avenues on an emergency basis over the last three weeks. Orangeburgh pipe was found to be the problem.

Solicitor:

Steve Fabiatti reported that he has been working with Dennis on the Shop Rite agreement and easements and we are waiting for information regarding the same.

Chairman:

No Report

Issues and Correspondence:

None

Committee Reports

Engineering/Plant:

Working on projects in house and farm contracts on corn.

Budget/Finance:

No Report

Human Resources:

No Report

Public Relations:

No Report

Insurance Committee:

Carol Ricci stated that all paperwork regarding the “derecho” storm of June 29, 2012 has been submitted to Glatfelter Public Practice, our risk managers for American Alternative Insurance. We are waiting their response. Figures for our healthcare renewal will not be forthcoming from Horizon BCBS until late in August and we will then be able to make our comparison to the State Plan which, from all indications is going to see a 12% or better increase in premiums.

Allocations/Administration:

None

Old Business:

None

New Business:

None

Adjournment:

At 6:15 p.m. there being no further business to come before the Board, it was moved by Silva and seconded by Lewis that the meeting be adjourned. Roll call: Lewis, Merighi, Silva and Gana voted “yes”.

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JOSE SILVA, JR., SECRETARY