

THE LANDIS SEWERAGE AUTHORITY  
REGULAR MEETING  
June 3, 2019

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: Barse, Merighi, Villar, Errickson and Reuben were present.

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
Anthony Tobolski	Field Engineer
A. Steven Fabietti	Solicitor
Carol A. Ricci	Executive Assistant
Michael Bauman	Laboratory Manager

It was moved by Villar and seconded by Barse that the reading of the minutes of the regular meeting held on May 20, 2019 be dispensed with and the same be approved in the form submitted to all members by mail. Roll call: Barse, Merighi, Villar, Errickson and Reuben voted "yes".

A 30-Year Service Award was presented to Michael Bauman, Laboratory Supervisor

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

Resolutions:

It was moved by Errickson and seconded by Barse that Resolution No. 2019- 49, "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.... \$79,126.98", be adopted. Roll call: Barse, Merighi, Villar, Errickson and Reuben voted "yes".

It was moved by Errickson and seconded by Barse that Resolution No. 2019-50, "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... \$192,944.24”, be adopted. Roll call: Barse, Merighi, Villar, Errickson and Reuben voted “yes”.

It was moved by Errickson and seconded by Barse that Resolution No. 2019 -51, “A Resolution of the Landis Sewerage Authority authorizing correction on credits, charge-offs, refunds and cancellation of accounts in the amount of \$3,315.00...” be adopted. Roll call: Barse, Merighi, Villar, Errickson and Reuben voted “yes”.

It was moved by Errickson and seconded by Barse that Resolution No. 2019-52, “A Resolution of the Landis Sewerage Authority summarizing allocation activity through the close of Allocation Round 181...”, be adopted. Roll call: Barse, Merighi, Villar, Errickson and Reuben voted “yes”.

It was moved by Errickson and seconded by Barse that Resolution No. 2019-53, “A Resolution of the Landis Sewerage Authority allocating sewerage capacity for Round 181 for Commercial Classification...”, be adopted. Roll call: Barse, Merighi, Villar, Errickson and Reuben voted “yes”.

It was moved by Errickson and seconded by Barse that Resolution No. 2019-54, “A Resolution of the Landis Sewerage Authority authorizing the execution of a Consent to Assignment Letter of Intent concerning the Liquified Natural Gas Project...”, be adopted. Roll call: Barse, Merighi, Villar, Errickson and Reuben voted “yes”.

Chairman Reuben asked if anyone had any questions on the last resolution. Dennis stated that he and Steve Fabietti had discussed this a couple of times. There has been a change in the ownership structure. South Jersey Gas is taking whole ownership. It consolidates the ownership and we will have to come back again for more documents down the line. They may look for additional land so that would be a larger lease in the future and also payment to reimburse us if we have to build some new beds to make up for the beds they want to acquire. There are a couple of more steps that we will revisit as this gets done.

Steve Fabietti stated that this is amending a Letter of Intent that we had signed two years ago roughly. They are still in the process of permits and approvals being sought, design, and several things down the line that have to happen. This is just South Jersey Gas Company coming in as the actual developer of the project rather than some partners they were dealing with previously.

Reports:

Executive Director

Dennis Palmer reported that just a step off of that, things are starting to roll. The survey crews have been out here working, shooting the property lines.

We have the Home Serve commission report in your package. We are now an official tree farm which helps us set up for grants in the future. This Friday is Tree Farm Day and some folks will be coming down for a tour of our facilities. It will be like a seminar conference with different groups speaking in different areas.

Today the SPCA agreement was sent to us. Steve and I have talked about it and I have a couple of key points that definitely need addressing before we go any further. After our last meeting we had a construction progress meeting. Two screws have been continuously run and two are in the process of being removed. The aeration piping is here and being installed in the basins. The blowers and control panels have been delivered so they are all in the works for getting the west side system to run on compressed air bubbles rather than a big surface mixer. This is 25% more efficient. It will be a long-term electrical savings.

I went to the state house today and gave testimony on Bill 3520. I was happy that the league was there and they didn't say anything on the bill. AEA was the only one that gave testimony on it opposing the bill. It did come out of committee. The vote was 3-2 so that sends a message it wasn't unanimous coming out of committee. You never read your written testimony that was provided ahead of time to OLS so they can give it to the committee members; the members listened and hopefully it doesn't go any further.

Field Engineer: No Report

Solicitor:

Steve Fabietti stated that there was no report other than what was discussed in the Executive Director's report.

Chairman: No Report

Issues and Correspondence: None

Committee Reports:

Engineering/Plant:

Dennis stated that he had been to Trenton a couple of times to give testimony on the PFOA issue. I sent copies off to NJBIA and they supported our position and raised the same issues we did on the sampling. Last week there was another meeting and they're looking at groundwater limitations, which is a bigger area than just that one parameter. There is a just a focus on drinking, they're not thinking about treatment plans and discharge. When you analyze just drinking water it's clean. When you analyze wastewater, it is a much more complex matrix of parameters. You get a lot of interference. So, I, as well as others brought up that point again. There is a lack of a broader view because of these rules are being put forth by the drinking water group. Not

only us, we're the largest in the State, there's Hammonton, Fort Dix, but they go to groundwater and others as well.

Budget/Finance:

Dennis stated that we are pulling together a couple of things for next year's budget and the auditors continue to work.

Human Resources: No Report

Public Relations:

Dennis stated that we are a polling place and we'll have the voters coming here tomorrow. We have the tree farm event coming up.

Insurance Committee:

Carol Ricci reported that she was advised that Glatfelter should have their final figures to us in a couple of days and we still do not have the number for pollution liability. Everything will be up for action next meeting.

Allocations/Administration:

Dennis stated that as we went through the new connection fee bill, there is an amendment going through that helps clean something up. There is a push by some builders that Authorities, and we are to a degree there already, have a broader billing classification for residential. Some of the authorities that have one residential bill. If you're a one-bedroom apartment or a five-bedroom home you pay the same bill and that has them upset. We do have single family homes and multi-family homes which could be townhomes, apartments, condos. We may want to revisit a fee for a one-bedroom home. A smaller unit or single occupancy should be looked at before it becomes an issue.

Old Business:

Tom Merighi asked that Resolution No. 51 with the charge-offs, are they closing? Dennis stated that they tend to be kiosks. Dennis stated that they are closing and it's not a good sign. Bankruptcy filings we get tend to be individuals but we also have the big ones like Payless Shoes, Sears and other specialty shops.

New Business:

Dennis reminded everyone about the President's Gala next week for those that are going.

Adjournment:

At 6:14 p.m. there being no further business to come before the Board, it was moved by Errickson and seconded by Barse that the meeting be adjourned. Roll call: Barse, Merighi, Villar, Errickson and Reuben voted "yes".

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CARLOS VILLAR, Secretary