# MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE ROCKLEIGH SEWERAGE AUTHORITY BOROUGH HALL, 26 ROCKLEIGH ROAD, ROCKLEIGH, NJ MAY 7, 2018 AT 7:00 PM.

Mr. Cumiskey called the meeting to order and following the Pledge of Allegiance, the Opening Statement was read. It was announced that the meeting of this date was held in compliance with the Open Public Meetings Act of the State of New Jersey, and that adequate notice of same was given in writing to *The Record*, *The Star Ledger* and that notice was also posted on the Borough Hall bulletin board as required.

The Secretary called the Roll Call of the Rockleigh Sewerage Authority:

**Present**- Chairman Cumiskey, Authority Member Schaffer, Authority Member Feulner.

**Absent**: Authority Member Photiadis, Authority Member Pontone, Authority Alternate Member Mender and Authority Alternate Member David Hansen.

**Also Present** –Robert T. Regan, Esq., Authority Attorney; Marcella Giampiccolo, RSA Secretary; William J. McGuire, Administrator and Authority CFO, Kunjesh Trivedi. Also present for a portion of the meeting, Gary Higgins, Authority Auditor.

#### **MINUTE APPROVAL:**

Minutes of the February 5, 2018 Re-Organization and Regular Meeting were presented for approval. No discussion took place. A Motion was offered by Mrs. Feulner, seconded by Mr. Schaffer and approved with all Members present voting in the affirmative to accept the February 5, 2018 Minutes as presented. The Motion passed.

The Chairman announced the Members would hold off on the Audit resolutions pending the Auditor's arrival.

## **FINANCIAL BUSINESS/ PAYMENT OF CLAIMS:**

The Bill Lists for March 2018, April 2, 2018 and May 7, 2018 were presented for discussion. Brief discussion took place regarding the identification of a few vendors. Following those questions, a Motion was offered by Mrs. Feulner, seconded by Mr. Schaffer to approve the Bill Lists from March 2018, April 2, 2018 and May 7, 2018 representing the total RSA contractual obligations in the amount of \$159,139.03. The Roll Call vote was recorded as follows:

AYES: Cumiskey, Feulner, Schaffer

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Photiadis, Pontone, Mender and Hansen

ABSTAIN: None The Motion passed.

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The meeting was opened to the public by a Motion offered by Mr. Cumiskey, seconded by Mr. Schaffer. All Members present voted in the affirmative. The Motion passed. No public came forward. A Motion to close the meeting to the public was offered by Mr. Cumiskey seconded by Mr. Schaffer. All Members voted in the affirmative. The Motion passed.

At this time a short recess was taken to await Mr. Higgins arrival.

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

At 7:25 p.m. the meeting resumed and Gary Higgins joined the meeting. Mr. Higgins provided a synopsis of the audit report of 2017 specifically noting the report concluded with no recommendations to the RSA.

At the conclusion of the audit report a Motion was offered by Mr. Schaffer, seconded by Mrs. Feulner to accept the audit report of 2017 as presented. The Roll Call vote was recorded as follows:

AYES: Cumiskey, Feulner, Schaffer

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Pontone, Photiadis, Mender, Hansen

ABSTAIN: None The Motion passed.

The Group Affidavit was signed by Mr. Cumiskey, Mrs. Feulner and Mr. Schaffer. The other members of the RSA will sign this Affidavit prior to its submission to the Division of Local Government Services as required.

The 2018 Sewer Study was presented at this time. Mr. Higgins led the discussion regarding the rate schedule prepared by Lerch, Vinci & Higgins illustrating this year's rate calculations. Discussion followed regarding previous year sewer flow. In addition, discussion took place regarding the flow specific to the Rockleigh Country Club. It was the consensus of the members present research to the possibility of metering the outflow of the sanitary line from the Rockleigh Country Club. A potential location for a meter could be located after the grease trap but before the pump station. Discussion took place as to the cost involved and who would be responsible for such payment. The members agreed that it would be the responsibility of the RSA to pay for the metering. Additional discussion took and the Members agreed to have Rapid Pump provide an estimate for installation of a meter at the Rockleigh Country Club and provide the estimate at the next quarterly meeting. Discussion moved to the other sewer users (MCP) and the differential in usage from prior years.

At the conclusion of the discussion a Motion was offered to hold the Public Hearing of the 2018 Sewer Rate study by Mr. Schaffer, seconded by Mr. Cumiskey. All members present voted in the affirmative to open the meeting to the public as to the rate hearing only. The Motion passed. Marilyn Bresnak came forward to inquire where a potential meter would be placed. (Country Club property or the Borough property.) Some discussion took place as to the location. At the end of that discussion, it was agreed to get an estimate first and ask the RSA Engineer provide his input as to meter locations. No further discussion took place. A Motion was offered by Mr. Cumiskey, seconded by Mr. Schaffer to close the meeting to the public. All members present voted in the affirmative to close the meeting to the public. The Motion passed. Following discussion, a Motion was offered by Mr. Cumiskey, seconded by Mr. Schaffer to accept the 2018 Sewer Rate Study prepared by the Authority's Auditor. The Roll Call vote was recorded as follows:

AYES: Cumiskey, Feulner, Schaffer

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Pontone, Photiadis, Mender, Hansen

ABSTAIN: None The Motion passed.

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## **OLD BUSINESS**:

No Old Business was discussed.

**CORRESPONDENCE**: None.

With no further business to come before the RSA, a Motion was offered by Mr. Cumiskey, seconded by Mr. Schaffer to adjourn the meeting. All Members present voted in the affirmative to adjourn the meeting. The Motion passed.

Respectfully submitted,

Mucilla Schupicas Marcella Giampiccolo, Secretary

Rockleigh Sewerage Authority