EDGEWATER PARK SEWERAGE AUTHORITY REGULAR MEETING MINUTES February 8, 2023

The regular meeting of the Edgewater Park Sewerage Authority was called to order by the Chairwoman Mrs. Judy Hall at 6:48pm at the Edgewater Park Sewerage Authority.

The following statement in compliance with OPMA was read:

Public Notice of this meeting pursuant to the open meetings act has been given by the Edgewater Park Sewerage Authority in the following manner:

- 1. By posting written notice on the official bulletin board at the Municipal Building on February 7, 2022.
- 2. By mailing written notice to the Burlington County Times and Courier Post on February 7, 2022.
- 3. By hand delivering written notice to the Clerk of the Township of Edgewater Park on February 7, 2022.

Roll Call revealed the following Board members were present: Mr. John Alexander, Mr. Phil Aaronson, Mrs. Judith Hall, Mr. Lester Holley, and Mr. Charles Ryder.

Also present were, Mr. Jim Grace (Solicitor), Ms. Jennifer Harris (Engineer, ERI), Mrs. Michelle Atzert (EPSA Administrative Assistant/Treasurer), Mrs. Maria VanNocker (Secretary), Committeewoman Juanita Scott (EPSA Liaison), and Mr. Mark Lavenberg (Clearwater Environmental).

MOTION was made by Mr. Holly and 2nd by Mr. Alexander to accept the January 11, 2023 Meeting Minutes.

Mr. Alexander, Mr. Aaronson, Mrs. Hall, Mr. Holley, and Mr. Ryder voted yes on roll call.

Operator's Report received.

<u>MOTION was made</u> by Mr. Alexander and 2nd by Mr. Holly to accept the Operator's Report.

Mr. Alexander, Mr. Aaronson, Mrs. Hall, Mr. Holley, and Mr. Ryder voted yes on roll call.

Mr. Lavenberg presented the new Mission System that reads the meter at Route 130. He showed all the different charts and graphs that can be generated to show the flow going to WMUA.

Mr. Lavenberg said that he would leave the ventilation system at Roosevelt on hold for now, and that if anyone needs to go into the area then we could buy a portable unit that could be used.

Mrs. Hall wanted to know when someone has to replace the sewer does he get notified. Mr. Lavenberg said that he does and had one just today. Mrs. VanNocker said that the resident had called the office and then she called Mr. Lavenberg. We only know if a resident calls us. Mrs. Hall would like it if we can get pictures from the residents to allow them to close the trench. She would like for us to have a better procedure to help the residents when they have to replace the sewer, and how we can help them expedite the process.

Ms. Harris let the Board know that the Township plumbing inspector can only inspect what's going into the house. Ms. Harris was going to have a talk with Rakesh and ask that if a homeowner has a trench open then to let the Authority know so that we can have Mr. Lavenberg get pictures and approve them to close the trench.

Mr. Aaronson asked about the rocks and debris in the main at S. Garden and that it said to look out for possible sinkholes. Should the line be Tv'd and when was it done last. Ms. Harris doesn't have any relocation of it being Tv'd. Mr. Ryder said that the main was replace 4 or 5 years ago. Mr. Lavenbers said anytime the lines get worked on, there is way for debris to get in, and so far there hasn't been any sign on of a sinkhole.

Solicitor's Report received.

<u>MOTION was made</u> by Mr. Aaronson and 2nd by Mr. Alexander to accept the Solicitor's Report.

Mr. Alexander, Mr. Aaronson, Mrs. Hall, Mr. Holley, and Mr. Ryder, voted yes on roll call.

Mr. Alexander asked Mr. Grace if he attended the WMUA's Meeting. Mr. Grace replied he did not.

Resolution 2023-17 Authorizing Chairwoman as designated signer on TWA application for Twp. of EP's new Police Building and Community Center.

MOTION was made by Mr. Holley and 2nd by Mr. Ryder to authorize Chairwoman Mrs. Hall as designated signer on TWA application for Twp. of EP's new Police Building and Community Center.

Mr. Alexander, Mr. Aaronson, Mrs. Hall, Mr. Holley, and Mr. Ryder, voted yes on roll call.

Engineer's Report received.

MOTION was made by Mr. Alexander and 2nd by Mr. Aaronson to accept the Engineer's Report.

Mr. Alexander, Mr. Aaronson, Mrs. Hall, Mr. Ryder, and Mr. Holly voted yes on roll call.

Mr. Holley asked about Woodlane Rd. and why wasn't it included in the next phase of the road program. Ms. Harris said it's because they already had the road Tv'd.

Ms. Harris let the Board know that the annual Maintenance Contract with Municipal Maintenance is up April 2023. She suggested that they may want to extend Municipal Maintenances contract from May 1, 2023 to November 30, 2023 which would be the end of the EPSA's fiscal year. Then put out a bid for a Maintenance Contract which will be on our annual billing cycle.

Old Business:

New Business:

98 N. Garden Blvd. is demolishing the house and rebuilding. The sewer has been capped. The owner would like to know if he still has to pay for sewer and will there be a connection fee when service resumes?

MOTION was made by Mr. Alexander and 2nd by Mr. Ryder to accept new business. Mr. Alexander, Mr. Aaronson, Mrs. Hall, Mr. Ryder, and Mr. Holly voted yes on roll call.

The EPSA's Rules and Regulations says that homeowners can either pay the regular fee for sewerage, or pay the connection fee when service is restored.

Mrs. VanNocker will call Abdullah Kahveci of 98 N. Garden to let him know his options.

Mr. Alexander suggested putting an article in the Beverly Bee that would make residents aware of what not to put down the drains or flush down the toilet.

Correspondences:

Meeting open to the Public.

Meeting closed the public:

MOTION was made by Mr. Alexander and 2nd by Mr. Holley to accept the Financial Statement.

Mr. Alexander, Mr. Aaronson, Mrs. Hall, Mr. Holley, and Mr. Ryder voted yes on roll call.

Mrs. Atzert made the Board aware that she invested \$100,000 into a CD at WSFS.

Mr. Ryder asked what was happening with the Edmunds program. Mr. Aaronson asked if we were still looking into going in with Township. Mrs. Atzert said that they offer a separate Utility program and that there is a meeting scheduled with Edmunds on February 21, 2023.

<u>MOTION was made</u> by Mr. Alexander and 2nd by Mr. Holley to accept the EPSA's Revised Bills & Vouchers.

Mr. Alexander, Mr. Aaronson, Mrs. Hall, Mr. Holley, and Mr. Ryder voted yes on roll call.

Mrs. Atzert let the Board know that she would be taking a Budget Class.

<u>MOTION was made</u> by Mr. Holley and 2nd by Mr. Alexander and approved by a voice vote of the Edgewater Park Sewerage Authority to adjourn the February 8, 2023 meeting at 8:03pm.

Respectfully submitted by,

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Secretary