Plumsted Municipal Utilities Authority Minutes November 17, 2015

Chairman Walter Bronson called the November 17, 2015 Plumsted Municipal Utilities Authority Meeting to order and asked everyone to stand for the Flag Salute. Attorney McGuckin read the Open Public Meetings Act.

Those in attendance were Walter Bronson, Edward Weirsky, Robert Minter, Ronald Dancer and Richard Brown. Committeeman Marinari was also in attendance.

<u>Bill List</u>: On motion of Mr. Minter, seconded by Mr. Dancer, the Bill List for November 17, 2015 was approved as submitted. Roll Call Vote: All Ayes. There was discussion regarding the late bills from Internet eBusiness for the maintenance of the MUA Website.

<u>Treasurer's Report</u>: The Regular Account had an opening balance as of November 17th was \$44,998.04, operating expenses of \$31,050.88, deposits of \$18,436.68 with an ending balance of \$32,383.84. On motion of Mr. Weirsky, seconded by Mr. Brown, the Treasurer's Report was approved as submitted. Roll Call Vote: All Ayes.

Mr. Minter noted that there was a correction on the October Treasurer's Report which was as follows: October opening balance was \$24,974.33, operating expenses of \$43,439.82, deposits of \$63,463.53 with an ending balance of \$44,998.04

Minutes: The Minutes for the October 20th were not available for approval.

<u>Executive Director's Report</u>: Mr. Ylvisaker said the State has not contacted him regarding the Pension information, therefore the 2015 Audit cannot be completed at this time. This will not cause the Audit to be late as the State has not provided this information to our auditor.

The budget that was adopted at the last meeting was forwarded to the DCA for approval. There has been no response from the State at this time.

Energy Aggregation: Mr. Ylvisaker said he would be sending out information on the Township website and in the Newsletter regarding the end of the contract with Verde and the switch back to JCP&L until the new contract with Tri Eagle starts in March 2016. He also discussed the slamming issue and noted that the information the PMUA sends out will ask if anyone notices any other company other than JCP&L for generation on their bill between this time period and March to notify the MUA immediately. He stated he had contacted the BPU about a couple of residents who had been slammed by another company as did Mr. Chilton.

Mr. Ylvisaker said he was meeting with the residents of Jensen's to explain the energy program to them. Mr. Minter will also be in attendance.

<u>Solid Waste and Recycling:</u> Mr. Ylvisaker said he received the signed contract with Waste Management and had forwarded it to Attorney McGuckin for his review. The new contract will be effective January 1, 2016.

Ocean County Wastewater Management Plan: Mr. Ylvisaker said the DEP Public Hearing scheduled for November 16th which he attended lasted about fifteen minutes. Those in attendance, besides the State and the County personnel, were two people from the Save

Barnegat Bay Watershed group. He said the public comment period was open until December 1st and hoped that in January the State will decide on the County Wastewater Management Plan and the Township's Surface Water Discharge Permit.

<u>Redevelopment Project</u>: Mr. Ylvisaker said the closing for the NJEIT financing loan was October 28th. T&M was authorized to proceed with Task I with the cost not to exceed \$148,000 and a kick off meeting has been scheduled for Thursday the 19th. He said he will circulate Minutes from that meeting to the members.

New Jersey American Water: Mr. Ylvisaker said the drilling of the test well, which will hopefully be the production well, is still in progress and is at about 150 feet. NJAW plans to go to a depth of about 200 to 250 feet. NJAW expects to be at this depth sometime in December and then they will start water quality tests which will take them to the middle of January. The company American Water has hired to demolish the building on the site, to abandon the septic system and to submit plans for construction of a new building to house the well has been in contact with the Township's construction office. NJAW is not able to answer yet as to whether the site will support the fourth well. He said at this point they were about a year delayed with the third well and they indicated that in the spring of 2017 NJAW expects the third well to be in production.

<u>Finance Plan:</u> Mr. Ylvisaker said this was getting back on track but the timetable and detailed outline from Mr. Fearon has not been received yet. He will forward it to everyone once he receives it.

<u>Land Use Board Meeting</u>: After the MUA meeting Lennar will present an informal sketch plat presentation to the Board. Mr. Bronson and Mr. Dancer who are members of the Land Use Board will be at the meeting along with Mr. Ylvisaker.

Resolutions:

Before voting on Resolution 2016-16, the Committee wanted to discuss the proposal. Mr. Weirsky questioned why Maser would be doing the work and wondered if this work was covered under the T&M agreement which we have now to do the project. Mr. Ylvisaker and Mr. Bronson explained that at that time there was not funding to do the aerial and Lennar hired Maser. There was a lengthy discussion regarding this and Mr. Bronson suggested the following resolution which would be a change order to authorize T & M to perform the work as outlined in the Maser proposal of November 11, 2015 at a cost not to exceed \$26,400.

On motion of Mr. Minter, seconded by Mr. Weirsky, Resolution No. 2016-16 authorizing a change order to T & M Consulting to perform the surveying as outlined in the Maser proposal of November 11, 2015 in an amount not to exceed \$26,400 was adopted. Roll Call Vote: All Ayes

With regard to Resolution 2016-17 there was discussion regarding a timeline regarding the agreement and could there be a potential cost to the Township to access the property. After discussion, it was decided to add a timeline of 18 months for the duration of the Agreement with an option to extend or expire subject to agreement between the parties.

On motion of Mr. Dancer, seconded by Mr. Minter, Resolution No. 2016-17 for an agreement for site access for investigations related to the location of a wastewater collection, treatment and disposal system on Block 40, Lot 4 was adopted. Roll Call Vote: All Ayes

Mr. Bronson opened the meeting for public comment. Committeeman Marinari thanked Mr. Ylvisaker for reaching out to the public regarding the break in service from November to March when the new energy aggregation contract with Tri Eagle begins.

Mr. Bronson said he would like to have a separate sewer design oversight committee to oversee and meet and interact with T & M Associates as they go forward. Mr. Bronson said Mr. Minter had volunteered to be on the subcommittee with Mr. Bronson. The Board Members agreed.

A motion was made by Mr. Minter and seconded by Mr. Weirsky, to adjourn the meeting. Roll Call Vote: All Ayes. The next meeting is scheduled for December 15, 2015 at 6:30PM.

Respectively submitted by:

Nancy Hendrickson, Secretary