

**SOUTH MONMOUTH REGIONAL SEWERAGE AUTHORITY  
MINUTES - CAUCUS MEETING – JUNE 9, 2011**

**CALL TO ORDER:**

The Caucus Meeting of the South Monmouth Regional Sewerage Authority was called to order at 7:00 p.m. on Thursday, June 9, 2011.

**Moment of Silence and Salute:**

Led by Chairman Cory

**Announcement:**

This meeting was called in accordance with the provisions of the Open Public Meetings Act in that an announcement of the same was mailed to the Asbury Park Press, the Coast Star, and to the Clerks of our member municipalities on February 11, 2011. The minutes of this meeting will be available after Board approval at a subsequent meeting.

**Roll Call:**

Commissioners Blasi, Burne, Cory, Farrell, Lynch, Mattia, Nicol.

Messrs. Bonello, Bujak and Ruppel.

**Excused:**

Commissioner Schmeling

**EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT:**

Mr. Ruppel's Executive Director Report included a review of the following Authority business related items:

**Sea Girt Pump Station Rehabilitation:**

Mr. Ruppel reported that the Sea Girt Pump Station Rehabilitation Project continues to be on schedule. The milling and paving of Sea Girt Avenue has been completed and the contractor is currently preparing the site for the trailer, which is scheduled, to ship on June 16, 2011.

**Pennsylvania Avenue Pump Station:**

Last month the Authority engaged CME Associates to conduct a Feasibility Study of the Pennsylvania Avenue Pump Station. During the month, Mr. Ruppel met with the Engineering Committee and representatives from CME Associates to review the results of this study. Although several alternatives were discussed, the Engineering Committee accepted CME recommendation to proceed with a rebuild of the existing pump station within its original footprint. Further, Mr. Ruppel received and reviewed with the Engineering Committee a proposal from CME Associates to provide Engineering Design Services for the Rehabilitation of the Pennsylvania Avenue Pump Station. A resolution awarding the contract to CME for design services has been placed on the Regular Meeting Agenda for Board approval.

### Wastewater Management Plan for Monmouth County:

Last month the Board of Commissioners endorsed an amended Water Quality Management (WQM) Plan for the Wastewater Management Plan for Monmouth County, New Jersey prepared by the NJDEP as it related to the governance and operation of the South Monmouth Regional Sewerage Authority. Mr. Ruppel informed the Board that he received notice that the Manasquan River Regional Sewerage Authority (MRRSA), which shares a western border with SMRSA, has notified the State of their rejection of the WQM Plan for Monmouth County. The plan submitted by the State had the SMRSA's western property line encroaching MRRSA's property line which differed from the original property line designated by Monmouth County years ago and the reason for MRRSA's rejection of the plan. Mr. Ruppel stated that he has not been contacted by the State regarding this discrepancy but wanted to advise the Board that the State could require SMRSA to amend its resolution to accommodate the new line.

### 2010 Financial Audit:

During the month, the Finance Committee met to review the 2010 Audit with the Authority Auditor, Mr. Paul Cuva. After review by the Committee, the 2010 Audit was distributed to all members of the Board of Commissioners. The result of this year's audit is excellent with no actions recommended. A resolution to adopt this audit has been placed on the Regular Meeting agenda for Board approval.

Chairman Cory thanked the Executive Director and the Chief Financial Officer, Mr. Ruppel and Mr. Bujak respectfully for the good work involved in order to receive an unqualified opinion with no recommendations. He stated that the Audit is a direct reflection of their efforts.

### Capacity Review Approval - Hills at Valley Park

Mr. Ruppel informed the Board of Commissioners of a recent capacity review he performed for a project identified as "Hills at Valley Park" on Route 34 in Wall Township. The process for any new developments is that the Engineer submits an application to SMRSA to request the capacity necessary for the project. This property has 40 square foot of commercial space and has the potential of being very lucrative for the Authority as it totals 18,127 gallons per day.

### **BUSINESS:**

- Resolution Authorizing Change Order #2 to Allied Construction – Milling and Paving Sea Girt Avenue.
- Resolution Awarding a Design Engineering Services Contract with CME Associates for the Pennsylvania Avenue Pump Station.
- Resolution to Approve the 2010 Audit for the Year Ending December 31, 2010.

### **PUBLIC PORTION:**

It was moved by Commissioner Mattia and seconded by Commissioner Burne to open the public portion of the meeting. On voice vote, all Commissioners voted aye. A motion was made by Commissioner Burne and seconded by Commissioner Mattia to close the public portion of the meeting. On voice vote, all Commissioners voted aye.

**ADJORNMENT:**

Commissioner Mattia made the motion to adjourn the Caucus Meeting. Commissioner Burne seconded the motion. On voice vote, all Commissioners voted aye.