

RAHWAY VALLEY SEWERAGE AUTHORITY

Summary of Minutes – Regular Meeting held August 17, 2023

- Communications
None

- Approval of Minutes
July 20, 2023 Finance Committee and Regular Meetings

- Treasurer’s Report
No report

- Executive Director’s Report
Sewer Endorsements, Municipal Reports, and the status of various contracts

- Report of Consulting Engineer
Overview of engineering matters

- Report of General Counsel
Overview of legal matters

- Committee Reports
Reports were given by the Engineering, Finance, and Personnel Committees.

- Unfinished Business
None

- New Business
The following actions were taken: Extension of Contracts #2216 and #2217; Amendment to Contract #2232; Award of Contract #2401; Rejection of Bids for Contract #2403; Award of Contract #2404; Award of Contract #206-ES; TWA Endorsement for Cranford; and Waiving of Flow Right Violations from July 4, 2023.

- Bills & Claims

OPERATING FUND	01	\$1,288,522.83
BUILDING & EQUIPMENT FUND	02	<u>\$45,625.41</u>
TOTAL OF ALL FUNDS:		\$1,334,148.24

RAHWAY VALLEY SEWERAGE AUTHORITY
Regular Meeting Minutes – August 17, 2023

The Chairman, Robert Beiner, called the meeting to order at 5:32 p.m.

The Chairman read the statement on “Open Public Meetings Law”

In accordance with the requirements of the Open Public Meetings Act, State of New Jersey, adequate notice of this meeting was forwarded to the Star Ledger, the Home News Tribune, and the Clerk of each of the eleven member municipalities on February 28, 2023.

If any member of this body believes that this meeting is being held in violation of the provisions of the Open Public Meetings Act, please state your objection and the reasons for same at this time. Hearing no objections, we shall proceed with our regularly scheduled meeting.

Roll Call

The following members were present:

Frank G. Mazzarella	for the Township of Clark
Stephen D. Greet	for the Borough of Garwood
Robert M. Beiner	for the Borough of Kenilworth
John J. Tomaine	for the Borough of Mountainside
Michael Furci	for the Township of Springfield
Robert Rachlin	for the City of Rahway
Loren Harms	for the Borough of Roselle Park
Raymond Szpond	for the Township of Scotch Plains
Edward Gottko	for the Town of Westfield
Michael J. Gelin	for the Township of Woodbridge

The following members were absent:

Chris Kolibas	for the Township of Cranford
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The following were also present:

James J. Meehan	Executive Director
Karen Musialowicz	Secretary-Treasurer
Doug Reno	Superintendent
Andrea DeCarlo	Purchasing Agent/Board Secretary
John Buonocore	Assistant Director/Chief Engineer
Janet Thevenin	Manager of Regulatory Compliance
Brett Howard	Health & Safety Coordinator
James M. Meehan	Environmental Compliance Supervisor
Dennis Estis	General Counsel – Greenbaum, Rowe, Smith
Howard Matteson	Consulting Engineer – CDM Smith

Communications

None.

Approval of Minutes

Mr. Furci made a motion, second by Mr. Rachlin, to approve the minutes of the Finance Committee and Regular Meetings held July 20, 2023. The motion was approved by those present.

Report of Treasurer

None.

Report of Executive Director

The following Sewer Treatment Endorsements were processed since the last meeting. A copy of the log sheet with additional information regarding these applications has been distributed for your reference.

2023 Treatment Endorsement Permits 0-1999 gpd							
RVSA Number					Date	Applicant's Name	Municipality
2746	-	23	-	KW	07/21/23	Marian Potok	Kenilworth
2747	-	23	-	RW	07/21/23	Spruce Industries / M&M Construction Co.	Rahway
2748	-	23	-	WF	07/26/23	Don Villane Construction, LLC	Westfield
2749	-	23	-	SP	07/28/23	JRN Carpentry Inc. / Joseph Neves	Scotch Plains
2750	-	23	-	RW	08/09/23	Frantz Previlon	Rahway
2751	-	23	-	SP	08/14/23	1924 Mary Ellen Properties LLC	Scotch Plains

Municipal Monthly Collection System Reports

The following Reports were received since the last regular meeting:

- Clark – July 2023
- Garwood – June & July 2023
- Kenilworth – July 2023
- Mountainside – July 2023
- Rahway – June 2023
- Scotch Plains – July 2023
- Springfield – July 2023
- Westfield – July 2023
- Woodbridge – July 2023

Mr. Meehan stated that reporting seems to be improving each month and the reports have become much more detailed.

Plant O&M Update

Mr. Meehan reported that the staff has been on the phone with Komline every day but still has not been able to get a date for the Dryer repair. He stated that as frustrating as it has been, it is important to have patience, as pursuing this legally would only prolong the repair process. Mr. Mazzarella asked if Komline is the only company that can do the work; Mr. Meehan stated that the work involves very specialized welding, which Komline uses Marshall Technologies for, but Marshall has not been responding. Mr. Mazzarella asked if Komline can use another company; Mr. Meehan stated that they may end up having to do that, and he is thinking that Komline will eventually realize that they need to have a backup welder. Unfortunately, we are just at the bad end of this and it is costing us a lot of money.

Mr. Meehan stated that aside from this, he is happy to report that Engine #4 is back online as well as the Food Waste System. He stated that we are receiving about 20 truckloads per week containing 5,600 gallons per load. He also stated that we are in the process of having the temporary holding tank installed which should be completed in the next few weeks and will allow us to have a backup system in place; also, Waste

Management has agreed to pay for 50% of the work. He explained that we are now up to about 85% running time when the engines are in use. Mr. Greet asked if the staff is monitoring the quality of the food waste that is coming in; Mr. Meehan replied that the Maintenance Department has created a system to screen the food waste prior to it going into the mixing tank. As for the rest of the plant, things have been going well.

Collection System O&M Update

Mr. Meehan stated that a meeting was held regarding the manhole repairs and asked Ms. Thevenin for a status update. Ms. Thevenin reported that work is finishing up on the manhole repair specification which will soon go out for bid.

Mr. Meehan stated that Mr. Matteson was also present at the meeting and has been working on language for the CCTV work that is needed. Mr. Matteson stated that he is in the process of writing a technical specification, which will take about 30 days to put out to bid and then approximately 60 days for construction. Mr. Buonocore stated that a lot of the work is weather-dependent so it may be best to wait until the Spring. Mr. Matteson explained that it can be done toward the end of the year, but this type of work gets more complicated in very cold weather.

Mr. Meehan stated that the City of Rahway had previously asked that we identify areas that need repair, and we have since identified three or four areas where we will have a significant amount of work done. Going forward, we will plan to do this on an annual basis. Mr. Gelin asked if CCTV inspections have been completed. Mr. Matteson replied that we had been given CCTV footage from a few years back which gave us a reasonable sense of what the pipe might look like now, but we will require that the contractor conduct its own CCTV inspection prior to beginning the work.

Mr. Gelin asked for more information on what the manhole inspection bid entails; Ms. Thevenin stated that its main purpose is to identify I&I issues in the system.

Mr. Meehan stated that the only other collection system issue is in regard to Sunrise Pharmaceutical, which Ms. Thevenin and James M. Meehan have been discussing with Mr. Estis. Mr. J. M. Meehan reported that they had spoken with the DEP regarding this issue and are hoping to hear back from them next week.

Alternative/Special Projects

Since this matter involves ongoing negotiations, an update will be provided in Closed Session.

Contract Extensions

Pursuant to the Local Public Contracts Law, the Authority is authorized to extend contracts by resolution upon finding that services are being provided effectively and efficiently. The below listed contracts are set to expire at year end and the Authority staff recommends extending as follows:

- Contract #2216 – Replacement Parts for Moyno Pumps
Dave Heiner Associates has agreed to a one-year extension with a 5% increase in price, for a total amount of \$17,520.83.

- Contract #2217 – Replacement Progressive Cavity Pumps
Dave Heiner Associates has agreed to a one-year extension with a 5% increase in price, for a total amount of \$33,552.75.

Resolutions approving these extensions are on the agenda under New Business.

Contract #2232 – Air Emissions Testing

Janet Thevenin has advised that there is a need to amend the contract with AirNova, Inc. for additional air emissions testing. The requested change order, in the amount of \$12,440, will result in a total amended contract amount of \$74,640. Action to approve the additional amount is on the agenda under New Business.

Contract #2401 – In-Plant Sewer Cleaning, Equipment Rental & Inspection

Two bids were received on August 8th as follows:

<u>Vendor</u>	<u>Amount</u>
All American Sewer Service, Inc. Lodi, NJ	\$246,000
National Water Main Cleaning Co. Kearny, NJ	\$305,500

The low bid was reviewed and found to be in order. Doug Reno recommends awarding this contract to All American Sewer Service in the amount of \$246,000 for a two-year period, which represents a 16% increase from the previous contract. Action to award is on the agenda under New Business.

Contract #2403 – Sodium Hypochlorite

Three bids were received on August 8th as follows:

<u>Vendor</u>	<u>Amount</u>
JCI Jones Chemical Co., Inc. Warwick, NY	\$192,152 \$2.40/gal
Miracle Chemical Company Farmingdale, NJ	\$311,200 \$3.89/gal
Kuehne Chemical Co., Inc. Kearny, NJ	\$396,000 \$4.95/gal

The lowest bid was disqualified due to a pricing exception, and the remaining bids exceeded the Authority's cost expectations. Therefore, in accordance with the Local Public Contracts Law, Andrea DeCarlo recommends rejecting all bids, and instead purchasing through the PVSC Co-op (Contract #B366-1) at \$3.00 per gallon from Main Pool and Chemical Co., Inc. A resolution to this effect is on the agenda.

Contract #2404 – Rotary Drum System Replacement Parts

One bid was received on August 8th as follows:

<u>Vendor</u>	<u>Amount</u>
GP Jager, Inc. Boonton, NJ	\$207,077.96

The bid was reviewed and found to be in order. Doug Reno recommends awarding this contract to GP Jager in the amount of \$207,077.96 for a two-year period, which represents a 34.5% increase from the previous contract. Action to award is on the agenda under New Business.

Contract #206-ES – Engineering Services for Food Waste Mixing System Improvements

As previously discussed with the Board, the Authority has been facing significant O&M challenges with its food waste slurry mixing system. GHD Services Inc. has submitted a proposal to assess different options and offer suggestions for improvements, aiming to enhance operational performance, minimize maintenance efforts, and increase system reliability and redundancy. The proposal includes a fee of \$49,900 for an evaluation on the food waste slurry system, and an additional \$7,400 for the review of food waste slurry screening options, for a total amount not to exceed \$57,300. This has been reviewed by the Purchasing Agent and action to award Contract #206-ES to GHD is on the agenda.

Sewer Connection

The Authority received a Treatment Works Approval (TWA) Application from Stonefield Engineering on behalf of Hartz Mountain Industries, for property located at 750 Walnut Avenue in Cranford. The application is for the construction of two warehouses of 132,000 sf and 109,200 sf in size, and two 39,102 sf multi-family residential buildings. The proposed discharge from the property is 52,078 gpd (0.052 mgd) of flow. The application was reviewed by John Buonocore and found to be in order; and action authorizing the endorsement is on the agenda.

Monthly Reports

The Monthly Operations, IPP, Flow Rights, and User Charge Reports were received and forwarded to the Commissioners for review.

Report of Consulting Engineer

Howard Matteson, Consulting Engineer from the firm CDM Smith, submitted the following report for work activities for the month of July 2023 and through the date of this report.

A. Retainer Services

During the period, CDM Smith prepared the monthly report for July 2023 and attended the July 2023 Board Meeting.

B. Miscellaneous Engineering Services

During the period, CDM Smith performed the following:

- Reviewed CCTV of various trunk sewer pipe segments and prepared summary table of observations of same.
- Continued coordination with staff on development of the Connection Fee program.

C. Influent Bar Screen Replacement

During the period, CDM Smith performed the following:

- Coordinated with staff on the review of options related to replacement of electronic actuators for influent channel slide gates.

Mr. Matteson stated that this was an allowance item in the bid and would allow for the hydraulic system to be submerged.

D. Woodbridge Spur Permitting

During the period, CDM Smith performed the following:

- Coordinated with DEP Division of Land Resource Protection on revised draft application for Area Specific and Activity Specific criteria related to Freshwater Wetlands and Flood Hazard Area permit submissions.

Mr. Matteson stated that the reviewer assigned to the Authority's application is retiring and therefore we were advised to pull back and resubmit the application.

Report of General Counsel

Dennis Estis, General Counsel from the firm Greenbaum, Rowe, Smith & Davis, submitted the following report for the period July 20, 2023 through August 17, 2023.

1. Revisions to the Underlying Agreement

Since the Authority is in the process of amending the Rules & Regulations as it relates to connection fees, it was decided to hold up sending out the final version of the Agreement with the attached Rules & Regulations until the connection fee issue is completed this year.

2. Local Contracts Law/Open Public Meetings Act

The Authority has awarded a Professional Services Agreement to an engineering firm and the firm requested certain changes to our standard agreement. I reviewed their changes and found certain ones acceptable and rejected others. The firm agreed to my modifications. In addition, bids went out for certain chemicals and the low bidder inserted a condition with his bid which was contrary to the Open Public Contracts Law, and he is being advised that his bid is being rejected.

3. Siphon – Rahway – Union County Park

With the help of Rob Rachlin, I have finally been able to connect with counsel for the City of Rahway and I am in the process of seeking to resolve any remaining issues.

4. Occidental Chemical

No change.

5. Metro Compliance

No change.

6. Quala / QDI

At last month's meeting we extended the Access Agreement for Pride Solvent & Chemical Company.

7. Sunrise Pharmaceuticals

An initial Order was entered on March 22, 2023. Since that date, the entity has incurred additional violations. I have made a recommendation to the Authority, and we can discuss it in closed session. Mr. Estis stated that he will be putting this off until next month as he is hoping to avoid litigation.

Committee Reports

Chairman: Are there reports from any of the following Committees?

Committee	Chairman	02/2023 – 02/2024 Committee Members		
Engineering	Edward Gottko	Michael Gelin	Stephen Greet	Frank Mazarella
Finance	Loren Harms	Chris Kolibas	Robert Rachlin	John Tomaine
Legal	John Tomaine	Stephen Greet	Loren Harms	Frank Mazarella
Personnel	Robert Rachlin	Michael Furci	Edward Gottko	Raymond Szpond
PR / Media	Stephen Greet	TBD	TBD	TBD

Engineering Committee (Edward Gottko, Committee Chairman)

Mr. Gottko reported that the Engineering Committee met earlier this evening to discuss the Working Group's memo regarding the Authority's Connection Fee Program. He stated that drafting this 22-page memo was a long and tedious process but ultimately, the Group came up with a system that involves a fee of \$1,300 per connection, and the memo will be shared with the rest of the Board tomorrow. He shared that the recommendation is for Legal Counsel to review this as there are several statutes related to this matter that need to be taken into consideration. He explained that the ideal schedule for moving forward would involve receiving Board approval at the September meeting, scheduling a public hearing to take place prior to the October meeting, and doing a first and second reading in November and December, as the hope is to have this in place by January 1st.

Finance Committee (Loren Harms, Committee Chairman)

Mr. Harms reported that the Finance Committee met earlier this evening to review the Bills & Claims, and action is on the agenda under Bills & Claims.

Personnel Committee (Robert Rachlin, Committee Chairman)

Mr. Rachlin reported that there has not been a great deal of interest regarding the Executive Director position, as there has only been one outside applicant whose qualifications meet the job positing.

Mr. Gelin stated that other Authorities have Executive Directors who do not hold all of the licenses we are asking for. Mr. Meehan stated that while he understands this, the Personnel Committee was leaning more toward hiring someone with the appropriate licensing; and he feels it would be best to put someone in this position that has a good understanding of plant operations. Mr. Mazarella stated that an experienced, well-rounded individual may be a good fit, even if they do not hold the licensing. Mr. Meehan replied that while this is possible, it would make things more difficult. Mr. Meehan stated that he would be willing to stay a few months longer than planned if there is an issue with licensing, as he would not want to leave the Authority in a bad position.

Unfinished Business

None.

New Business

Mr. Gottko offered four resolutions.

1. **Resolution #23-32** – Extending Contract #2216 – Moyno Pump Replacement Parts with Dave Heiner Associates

Motion: Mr. Gottko
Second: Mr. Rachlin

The motion was approved by those present.

RESOLUTION #23-32

WHEREAS, the Rahway Valley Sewerage Authority ("Authority") previously awarded Contract #2216 – Replacement Parts for Moyno Pumps to Corrosion Products & Equipment and Dave Heiner Associates, which agreements are set to expire on December 31, 2023; and

WHEREAS, the Authority's bid document included a provision to extend said contracts in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:11-15 upon mutual agreement between the parties and upon finding that services are being performed in an effective and efficient manner; and

WHEREAS, the Authority is satisfied with the services being performed and therefore wishes to extend the term of this contract; and

WHEREAS, Dave Heiner Associates has agreed to a one-year contract extension with a 5% price increase from its original bid; and

WHEREAS, the Secretary-Treasurer of the Authority, who is the Chief Financial Officer, hereby certifies that the funds for said extension are available in the Authority's Budget.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Commissioners of the Rahway Valley Sewerage Authority hereby authorize the extension of Contract #2216 – Replacement Parts for Moyno Pumps with Dave Heiner Associates for one additional year, commencing on January 1, 2024 and ending on December 31, 2024.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the contract price shall be increased by 5%, resulting in a total amount of \$17,520.83 for the extended term; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Executive Director is hereby authorized to execute an extension to the Contract previously entered into on behalf of the Authority.

2. **Resolution #23-33** – Extending Contract #2217 – Replacement Progressive Cavity Pumps with Dave Heiner Associates

Motion: Mr. Gottko
Second: Mr. Rachlin

The motion was approved by those present.

RESOLUTION #23-33

WHEREAS, the Rahway Valley Sewerage Authority ("Authority") previously awarded Contract #2217 – Replacement Progressive Cavity Pumps to Corrosion Products & Equipment and Dave Heiner Associates, which agreements are set to expire on December 31, 2023; and

WHEREAS, the Authority's bid document included a provision to extend said contracts in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:11-15 upon mutual agreement between the parties and upon finding that services are being performed in an effective and efficient manner; and

WHEREAS, the Authority is satisfied with the services being performed and therefore wishes to extend the term of this contract; and

WHEREAS, Dave Heiner Associates has agreed to a one-year contract extension with a 5% price increase from its original bid; and

WHEREAS, the Secretary-Treasurer of the Authority, who is the Chief Financial Officer, hereby certifies that the funds for said extension are available in the Authority's Budget.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Commissioners of the Rahway Valley Sewerage Authority hereby authorize the extension of Contract #2217 – Replacement Progressive Cavity Pumps with Dave Heiner Associates for one additional year, commencing on January 1, 2024 and ending on December 31, 2024.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the contract price shall be increased by 5%, resulting in a total amount of \$33,552.75 for the extended term; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Executive Director is hereby authorized to execute an extension to the Contract previously entered into on behalf of the Authority.

3. **Resolution #23-34** – Amending Contract #2232 – Air Emissions Testing with AirNova, Inc.

Motion: Mr. Gottko

Second: Mr. Rachlin

The motion was approved by those present.

RESOLUTION #23-34

WHEREAS, the Rahway Valley Sewerage Authority ("Authority") had previously entered into a contract for Air Emissions Testing; and

WHEREAS, Contract #2232 was awarded to AirNova, Inc. for said services, in an amount of \$62,200.00; and

WHEREAS, Janet Thevenin, Manager of Regulatory Compliance, has advised that there is a need for additional air emissions testing; and

WHEREAS, the Authority has determined there is a need to amend Contract #2232 for an additional amount of \$12,440.00 to complete the aforementioned testing; and

WHEREAS, the Secretary-Treasurer of the Authority, who is the Chief Financial Officer, hereby certifies that the necessary funds for said amendment are available in the Annual Budget.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Rahway Valley Sewerage Authority that the previously awarded contract with AirNova, Inc. in an amount of \$62,200.00 be and is hereby amended for an additional amount of \$12,440.00, for a total amended contract amount of \$74,640.00; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Executive Director is hereby authorized to execute an amendment to the Contract previously entered into.

4. **Resolution #23-35** – Award of Contract #2401 – In-Plant Sewer Cleaning, Equipment Rental & Inspection Services to All American Sewer Service

Motion: Mr. Gottko

Second: Mr. Furci

The motion was approved by those present.

RESOLUTION #23-35

WHEREAS, the Rahway Valley Sewerage Authority ("Authority") solicited bids for Contract #2401 – In-Plant Sewer Cleaning, Equipment Rental & Inspection, and received bids on August 8, 2023; and

WHEREAS, the Authority received two (2) bids which were reviewed by the Purchasing Agent; and

WHEREAS, the lowest responsive and responsible bid was received from All American Sewer Service, Inc. of Lodi, NJ, with a total amount of \$246,000.00; and

WHEREAS, the Plant Superintendent and Purchasing Agent recommend the award of this contract to All American Sewer Service, Inc.; and

WHEREAS, the Secretary-Treasurer of the Authority, who is the Chief Financial Officer, hereby certifies that the necessary funds for said contract are available in the Annual Budget.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Commissioners of the Rahway Valley Sewerage Authority hereby authorize the award of Contract #2401 – In-Plant Sewer Cleaning, Equipment Rental & Inspection to All American Sewer Service, Inc. for a term of two (2) years and the amount of \$246,000.00; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Executive Director is hereby authorized to execute said contract.

Mr. Mazarella offered four resolutions.

1. **Resolution #23-36** – Rejecting all Bids received for Contract #2403 – Sodium Hypochlorite and Authorizing use of Cooperative Contract #B366-1

Motion: Mr. Mazarella

Second: Mr. Furci

The motion was approved by those present.

RESOLUTION #23-36

WHEREAS, the Rahway Valley Sewerage Authority (“Authority”) solicited bids for Contract #2403 – Sodium Hypochlorite, and received bids on August 8, 2023; and

WHEREAS, the Authority received three (3) bids which were reviewed by the Purchasing Agent; and

WHEREAS, the lowest bid, submitted by JCI Jones Chemicals, Inc., contained a pricing exception which was inconsistent with the Local Public Contracts Law, thus rendering it non-responsive; and

WHEREAS, the remaining bids contained pricing which substantially exceeded the Authority’s cost estimates; and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-13.2 permits the Authority to reject all bids when the cost exceeds budgetary expectations; and

WHEREAS, Sodium Hypochlorite is available for purchase under the NJWCPS cooperative purchasing system, Contract #B366-1, from Main Pool and Chemical Co., Inc.; and

WHEREAS, the Plant Superintendent and Purchasing Agent recommend rejecting all bids and utilizing the NJWCPS cooperative contract for procuring Sodium Hypochlorite; and

WHEREAS, the Secretary-Treasurer of the Authority, who is the Chief Financial Officer, hereby certifies that the necessary funds for said purchase are available in the Annual Budget.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Commissioners of the Rahway Valley Sewerage Authority that:

1. It hereby rejects all bids received on August 8, 2023 for Contract #2403 – Sodium Hypochlorite; and
2. It hereby authorizes the use of NJWCPS Contract #B366-1 for the purchasing of Sodium Hypochlorite.

2. **Resolution #23-37** – Award of Contract #2404 – Rotary Drum System Replacement Parts to GP Jager

Motion: Mr. Mazarella

Second: Mr. Gottko

The motion was approved by those present.

RESOLUTION #23-37

WHEREAS, the Rahway Valley Sewerage Authority ("Authority") solicited bids for Contract #2404 – Rotary Drum System Replacement Parts, and received bids on August 8, 2023; and

WHEREAS, the Authority received one bid which was reviewed by the Purchasing Agent and found to be responsive and responsible; and

WHEREAS, the sole bid was received from GP Jager, Inc. of Boonton, NJ for a total cost of \$207,077.96; and

WHEREAS, the Plant Superintendent and Purchasing Agent recommend the award of this contract to GP Jager, Inc. and

WHEREAS, the Secretary-Treasurer of the Authority, who is the Chief Financial Officer, hereby certifies that the necessary funds for said contract are available in the Annual Budget.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Commissioners of the Rahway Valley Sewerage Authority hereby authorize the award of Contract #2404 – Rotary Drum System Replacement Parts to GP Jager, Inc. for a term of two (2) years and the amount of \$207,077.96; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Executive Director is hereby authorized to execute said contract.

3. **Resolution #23-38 – Award of Contract #206-ES – Engineering Services for Food Waste Mixing System Improvements to GHD Services**

Motion: Mr. Mazzarella

Second: Mr. Gottko

The motion was approved by those present.

RESOLUTION #23-38

WHEREAS, the Rahway Valley Sewerage Authority ("Authority") received a proposal from GHD Services Inc. ("GHD") of Bridgewater, New Jersey for Engineering Evaluation Services related to the Authority's Food Waste Mixing System; and

WHEREAS, such services are considered Professional Services, which pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5(1)(a)(i) are exempt from public advertising for bids, and therefore shall be awarded by resolution of the governing body; and

WHEREAS, the Authority wishes to enter into Contract #206-ES – Engineering Services for Food Waste Mixing System Improvements with GHD based on the proposal submitted under a non-fair and open process; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.5, the Purchasing Agent has received a Business Entity Disclosure Certification and has certified a Determination of Value, therefore permitting the award of this contract; and

WHEREAS, the proposal includes pricing consisting of a \$49,900.00 lump sum fee for the food waste slurry mixing system evaluation, as well as an additional \$7,400.00 for the review of food waste slurry screening options, as further outlined in the proposal, for a total amount not to exceed \$57,300.00; and

WHEREAS, the Secretary-Treasurer of the Authority hereby certifies that the necessary funds for said contract are available in the Annual Budget.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Commissioners of the Rahway Valley Sewerage Authority hereby authorize the award of Contract #206-ES – Engineering Services for Food Waste Mixing System Improvements to GHD Services Inc. for a total amount not to exceed \$57,300.00; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a Professional Service Contract for the services described herein be entered into and approved by the Authority; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a Notice of Award will be published in accordance with law.

4. **Resolution #23-39** – Authorizing endorsement on a TWA Application for 750 Walnut Avenue in Cranford

Motion: Mr. Mazzarella

Second: Mr. Rachlin

The motion was approved by those present.

RESOLUTION #23-39

WHEREAS, Stonefield Engineering and Design, LLC submitted a Treatment Works Approval Application on behalf of Hartz Mountain Industries, Inc. for property located at 750 Walnut Avenue in Cranford, New Jersey; and

WHEREAS, the application is for two (2) warehouses of 132,000 sf and 109,200 sf in size, and two (2) 39,102 sf multi-family residential buildings; and

WHEREAS, the Contributory Flow calculation in the application has been reviewed by John Buonocore, Assistant Director/Chief Engineer, and was found to be in order; and

WHEREAS, the connection will generate an approximate discharge of 52,078 gpd (0.052 mgd) proposed increase in flow; and

WHEREAS, the flow from the foregoing connection will not cause the Authority to exceed its permitted flow of 40 mgd.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Rahway Valley Sewerage Authority that it hereby accepts and approves endorsement on the aforesaid application.

Mr. Furci offered one motion.

1. **Motion #2023-03** – Waiving Flow Right Violations that occurred on July 4, 2023

Motion: Mr. Furci

Second: Mr. Szpond

The motion was approved by those present.

Bills and Claims

Mr. Harms offered one motion.

Motion that the following bills and claims list previously reviewed by the Finance Committee be ordered paid.

Motion: Mr. Harms

Second: Mr. Rachlin

Discussion: Mr. Greet asked about Check #3919 to Hose Heaven; Mr. Meehan stated that this is for replacement hoses.

The motion was approved by those present.

BILLS AND CLAIMS LISTING**BUILDING & EQUIPMENT FUND**

CHECK	DATE	VENDOR	LINE/ACCT	AMOUNT
1075	07/31/23	HERTRICH FLEET SERVICES INC.	136	29,989.00
1076	08/17/23	PAULUS, SOKOLOWSKI & SARTOR	140.02	15,636.41

Total Building & Equipment Fund Checks: 2

Total Void Checks: 0

Total Void Check Amount: \$0.00

Total Building & Equipment Fund Checks Paid: \$45,625.41

OPERATING FUND – MANUAL

CHECK	DATE	VENDOR	LINE/ACCT	AMOUNT
477	07/31/23	TD BANK, NA	09	19,882.50
478	07/31/23	NJIB - U.S. BANK NAT'L ASSOC.	09	128,895.00
479	08/14/23	NJ STATE HEALTH BENEFITS	03/04	146,697.46
480	08/14/23	NJ STATE HEALTH BENEFITS	03/04	144,733.17
481	08/16/23	RAHWAY VALLEY S.A. - PAYROLL	01/02	222,840.98
482	08/16/23	RAHWAY VALLEY S.A. - PAYROLL	01/02	213,441.71

Total Operating Fund Manual Checks: 6

Total Void Checks: 0

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OPERATING FUND

CHECK	DATE	VENDOR	LINE/ACCT	AMOUNT
3878	07/28/23	BANK OF AMERICA	15/18/27/41/52	2,994.43
3879	07/28/23	GRAINGER	31/32	7,719.72
3880	07/28/23	Y-PERS INC	32	2,800.00
3881	08/03/23	ENVIRONMENTAL COMPLIANCE	41	4,687.00
3882	08/09/23	AQUA PRO-TECH LABORATORIES	41	6,830.00
3883	08/09/23	COMCAST	27	837.27
3884	08/09/23	ELIZABETHTOWN GAS	22	981.82
3885	08/09/23	NJ MANUFACTURERS INSURANCE CO.	17	15,233.00
3886	08/09/23	PSE&G COMPANY	19	24.68
3887	08/09/23	STANDARD INSURANCE COMPANY RD	03	2,063.82
3888	08/09/23	UGI ENERGY SERVICES, LLC	22	17,735.83
3889	08/09/23	VISION SERVICE PLAN	03	1,819.70
3890	08/09/23	WAGE WORKS INC.	03	105.00
3891	08/17/23	A TOUCH OF ITALY	49	255.00
3892	08/17/23	AGGRESSIVE ENERGY, LLC	19	70,828.15
3893	08/17/23	ALL AMERICAN SEWER SERVICE INC	28	6,842.50
3894	08/17/23	AMERIGAS	32	221.97
3895	08/17/23	APPLE CORING & SAWING LLC	32	2,450.00
3896	08/17/23	BARTELL FARM & GARDEN SUPPLY	32	95.70
3897	08/17/23	BGIA, INC.	17	130,839.98
3898	08/17/23	CORTEL TECHNOLOGIES, LLC	27	1,934.55
3899	08/17/23	CITY OF RAHWAY - UNITED WATER	33	8,211.20
3900	08/17/23	COGENT COMMUNICATIONS, INC.	27	1,165.00
3901	08/17/23	COMCAST	27	837.27
3902	08/17/23	COMMUNITY SAFETY CONSULTANTS	31	3,405.00
3903	08/17/23	CONCENTRA HEALTH SERVICES, INC	50	289.00
3904	08/17/23	CORROSION PRODUCTS, INC	32	12,800.00
3905	08/17/23	CSL SERVICES, INC.	41	21,500.00

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3906	08/17/23	DELTA DENTAL OF NEW JERSEY INC	03	7,843.38
3907	08/17/23	HARRY DONES	32	178.12
3908	08/17/23	ELECTRONIC MEASUREMENTS LAB	31	4,737.20
3909	08/17/23	ELIZABETHTOWN GAS	22	362.41
3910	08/17/23	ENVIRONMENTAL COMPLIANCE	41	615.00
3911	08/17/23	FACTORY DIRECT PIPELINE	32	716.72
3912	08/17/23	GLOBAL INDUSTRIAL EQUIPMENT CO	31/32	2,946.10
3913	08/17/23	GOVCONNECTION, INC.	27	96.50
3914	08/17/23	GREENBAUM, ROWE, SMITH & DAVIS	07	1,595.00
3915	08/17/23	HATFIELD SCHWARTZ LAW GROUP	08	122.50
3916	08/17/23	HAWKINS, DELAFIELD & WOOD LLP	08	6,290.00
3917	08/17/23	HIGHMARK ANALYTICS	41	1,058.50
3918	08/17/23	HOME DEPOT CREDIT SERVICES	32	2,020.38
3919	08/17/23	HOSE HEAVEN INC.	28	1,000.00
3920	08/17/23	INTERNATIONAL TIRE & PARTS	32/35	2,322.48
3921	08/17/23	XYLEM WATER SOLUTIONS USA, INC	32	8,380.00
3922	08/17/23	JERSEY ELEVATOR COMPANY INC.	31	463.14
3923	08/17/23	JOHNSTONE SUPPLY	32	2,309.80
3924	08/17/23	MELISSA VENTURA	15	135.00
3925	08/17/23	MCMASTER-CARR SUPPLY CO.	32	247.19
3926	08/17/23	MECHANICAL SERVICE CORP.	32	543.75
3927	08/17/23	MIDDLESEX WATER COMPANY	33	1,650.84
3928	08/17/23	MILLER ENERGY INC.	32	658.50
3929	08/17/23	MOTION INDUSTRIES, INC.	32	5,514.40
3930	08/17/23	NAVITEND	27	35.00
3931	08/17/23	NAPA AUTO PARTS OF COLONIA	35	22.38
3932	08/17/23	NJ ADVANCE MEDIA	12	111.80
3933	08/17/23	NJ STATE LEAGUE	12	260.00
3934	08/17/23	NORTHEAST INDUSTRIAL TECH, INC	32	941.35
3935	08/17/23	OPTIMUM CONTROLS CORP.	28	3,224.00
3936	08/17/23	OFFICE CONCEPTS GROUP, INC.	32	919.08
3937	08/17/23	PITNEY BOWES GLOBAL	48	163.55
3938	08/17/23	LINDE GAS & EQUIPMENT INC	32	1,338.26
3939	08/17/23	PSE&G COMPANY	19	366.55
3940	08/17/23	RARITAN SUPPLY	28	1,682.54
3941	08/17/23	ROYAL BATTERY	35	322.00
3942	08/17/23	SAKER SHOPPRITES, INC.	49	73.05
3943	08/17/23	TELEDYNE INSTRUMENTS, INC.	41/43	2,064.12
3944	08/17/23	THE BANK OF NEW YORK MELLON	09	1,000.00
3945	08/17/23	TREASURER STATE OF NEW JERSEY	37	1,900.00
3946	08/17/23	TRI-STATE BEARING - DIV OF	32	534.75
3947	08/17/23	TURTLE & HUGHES INC.	27/32	6,002.84
3948	08/17/23	ULINE, INC	31	2,800.10
3949	08/17/23	UNIFIRST CORPORATION	32	1,863.95
3950	08/17/23	UNITED STATES PLASTIC CORP.	40	160.38
3951	08/17/23	UNITED RENTALS	32	7,233.30
3952	08/17/23	VERIZON WIRELESS	11	169.50
3953	08/17/23	W. A. BIRDSALL & CO.	32	326.24
3954	08/17/23	WB MASON COMPANY, INC.	13/32	1,067.77
3955	08/17/23	WILLIAM YACHERA	15	135.00

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OPERATING FUND	01	\$1,288,522.83
BUILDING & EQUIPMENT FUND	02	\$45,625.41
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TOTAL OF ALL FUNDS:		\$1,334,148.24

Open the floor to the Public for questions or comments

None.

Closed Session

Mr. Rachlin made a motion to close the meeting at 6:17 p.m. for discussion regarding special project negotiations. The motion was second by Mr. Gottko and approved by those present.

Mr. Greet made a motion to return to the regular order of business at 6:32 p.m. The motion was second by Mr. Gottko and approved by those present.

Adjournment

As there was no further business, on motion of Mr. Gottko, second by Mr. Mazzarella, the meeting adjourned at 6:32 p.m. The motion was approved by those present.

Chairman

Andrea De Carlo

Andrea DeCarlo, Board Secretary

Attachments:
Flow Rights Report 07/2023
User Charge Report 07/2023