

**BOROUGH OF RAMSEY
THE BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS
REGULAR MEETING OF May 18, 2020**

Mr. Emmer called the regular meeting of The Board of Public Works to order at 7:32PM. The meeting was conducted via conference call due to COVID-19.

Mr. Emmer announced that the meeting is being held in accordance with the Sunshine Laws of the State of New Jersey. Public Notice of this regularly scheduled meeting was published in issues of The Bergen Record and The Ridgewood News on December 20, 2019. Meeting notice was advertised in The Bergen Record as being held as a telephonic meeting on May 14, 2020.

Board members present were Mr. Emmer, Mayor Dillon, Mr. Martin, Mr. O'Rourke, Mr. Coronato, Dr. Goujani and Mr. Emmett. Along with Mr. Vozeh, Mr. Bacolo, Councilman Kilman, Mr. Corrison, Mr. DeBlock, Mr. Skorupa and Mrs. Sylvester. Mr. Jensen from Crew was also present.

CORRESPONDENCE

Motion by Mr. Emmer seconded by Dr. Goujani to receive and file with review during Committee reports. Carried.

MINUTES

Minutes of April 20, 2020 meeting were accepted with changes. Motion by Mr. Emmer to approve, seconded by Mr. Coronato. Mr. Emmett abstained. Carried.

No.	Date	From	To	Subject
1.	03/31/2020	NJDEP	Board of Public Works	Temporary treatment approval report to re-activate Brookfield well.
2.	4/20/2020	Crew	Board of Public Works	Arsenic Treatment system replacement facilities project payment request #3 from Stone Hill contractors
3.	04/23/2020	Crew	Board of Public Works	NJDEP request for waiver for Arsenic Treatment system replacement facilities project Orchard, Martis & E. Oak
4.	4/30/2020	Suez	Board of Public Works	Waiver of service for 558 572 E. Crescent Ave USR.
5.	4/30/2020	NJDEP	B. Vozeh/Board of Public Works	Temporary treatment approval letter to re-activate Brookfield well.
6.	5/11/2020	Housing Development Corporation of Bergen County	Board of Public Works	Waiver for individual meters for low income housing on Rt 17 N behind Porcelenosa building.
7.	5/11/2020	Crew	Board of Public Works	329 Grove St Remedial

				investigation and remedial action.
8	5/14/2020	Crew	Board of Public Works	Management report
9.	5/18/2020	M. Skorupa	Board of Public Works	Operations report
10.	5/18/2020	J. DeBlock	Board of Public Works	Management Report

ENGINEER'S REPORT

Mr. Bacolo reviewed the 558-572 E. Crescent Ave development group project. The applicant has received a waiver from Suez to connect to Ramsey water system. The applicant has agreed to have individual water meters installed for each tenant. Crew is waiting for revised plans to show individual meters. Also making application to the NWBCUA, waiting on shop drawings as well. Once received, applicant can begin construction.

Crew received revised plans for building a 70 residential apartment building unit behind Porcelenosa for low income housing from the Housing Development Corporation of Bergen County. They have requested water and sewer service for this property. The developer is requesting a waiver from Ramsey for requirement for individual meters, they have submitted a hardship waiver.

Motion by Mr. Martin to approved installation of only one meter for the residential apartment building, seconded by Mr. Coronato. Carried.

The Housing Development Corporation of Bergen County has made an application to NWBCUA for a sewer connection permit. The application needs the endorsement from Ramsey.

Motion by Mr. Martin to approve the TWA endorsement to the NWBCUA for the residential housing seconded by Mr. O'Rourke. Carried.

Update on the Arsenic project, the water pods for E. Oak and N. Central were delivered by AdEdge. They are being stored in the Borough Hall parking lot. AdEdge is continuing with the fabrication of the last two pods for the Spring Street and Orchard wells.

NJDEP approved request to use Brookfield well if needed. Mr. Skorupa can install the Isolux treatment system at this location in preparation of E. Oak well coming offline during installation of the water pod at that site.

Stone Hill is continuing with the construction at the Arrow Rd water pod. Testing is in progress. Mr. Skorupa is working with Crew on bringing the SCADA system online at this location and Martis Rd.

Stone Hill is working on the Martis well. Operation testing is being performed and expected to be online in early June. E. Oak and N. Central are in progress and the water pods are expected to be put in place before end of June.

Crew is waiting on material shop drawings for Spring St and Orchard wells from Stone Hill so construction can begin on those sites.

OPERATIONS REPORT

Mr. Skorupa presented his monthly written report to the Board.

The water department is working with Crew and Stone Hill Contractors on the Arsenic filtration system project.

The Water department has been preparing and marking roads for the Borough's annual road resurfacing program which includes 22 roads.

They also performed their daily duties, along with inspecting, marking, cleaning and repairing water valves and manholes.

OPERATIONS MANAGEMENT REPORT Mr. DeBlock reported on request for non-Ramsey water customers from Board of Regulatory Commissioners.

ATTORNEY'S REPORT Mr. Corrison has two items for closed session, possible litigation and contract. Mr. Vozech addressed what action is needed to address these items.

MAYOR'S REPORT welcomed Mr. Emmett to the Board. Mayor Dillon also spoke about the streetscape project which is in progress. The Martis water pod construction is moving along and looking good.

COUNCIL LIAISON'S REPORT Mr. Kilman welcomed Mr. Emmett.

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT Mr. Vozech reported on the Martis arsenic water pod and the aesthetics being added to the pod.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Motion by Mr. Emmer to open the floor for Public comment. Seconded by Mr. Coronato.

No public comments

Motion to close Public Comment by Mr. Emmer. Seconded by Mr. O'Rourke. Carried.

OPERATIONS COMMITTEE Mr. O'Rourke inquired about leak detection survey. Mr. Bacolo responded that a plan will be made with Mr. Skorupa to address next steps for new survey. The survey is not mandatory.

FINANCE

Budget and Revenue/Expense Reports were submitted to Board members.

Resolution by: Mr. Coronato
Seconded by: Mr. Emmer

RESOLVED THAT: The following bills be paid and charged to the current Water/Sewer 2020 Budget:

CURRENT	\$ 190,969.00
RESERVE	\$ 150,920
WIRED	\$ 0

RESOLVED THAT: The following bills be paid and charged to the Capital Account:

AYES: Mr. Emmer, Mayor Dillon, Mr. O'Rourke, Mr. Coronato, Mr. Martin, Mr. Emmett and Dr. Goujani

NAYS: None

ABSENT: none

OLD BUSINESS – Mr. Corrison addressed the wetlands credit purchase with Pequannock Properties LP. After review of contract, the confidentiality clause was not legal in original contract. The contract was revised to remove the confidentiality clause. Mr. Corrison is requesting approval of agreement from the Board.

Motion by Mr. Emmer to approve revised contract with Pequannock Properties LP for wetland credits in the amount of .04 acres for purchase price of \$39,000. Seconded by Mr. Martin. Carried.

NEW BUSINESS – none

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Emmer made a motion to adjourn at 8:09 PM. Seconded by Dr. Goujani. Carried.

Respectfully Submitted By: Kelly Sylvester