

**BOROUGH OF RAMSEY
THE BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS
REGULAR MEETING OF January 24th, 2022
Via In person & Conference call**

Mr. Coronato called the regular meeting of The Board of Public Works to order at 7:43pm. The meeting was conducted in-person and by conference call due to COVID-19.

Mr. Coronato 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 January 14th, 2022.

Board members present (in person & via conference call) were; Mayor Dillon, Mr. Coronato, Dr. Goujani, Mr. Emmer, Mr. Emmett, Mr. Hewitt and Mr. Tyburczy. Along with Mr. Vozeh, Mr. Bacolo, Mr. DeBlock, Mr. Skorupa, Mr. Corrison, Councilwoman Judy Cusick and Mrs. Sylvester.

CORRESPONDENCE

Motion by Mr. Coronato seconded by Mr. Emmett to receive and file with review the Committee reports. Carried.

MINUTES

Minutes of December 20, 2021 regular meeting were accepted with one change to the Operations report. Motion by Mr. Coronato to approve, seconded by Mayor Dillon. Carried.

No.	Date	From	To	Subject
1.	01/03/2022	Crew	Board of Public Works	Letter to NJDEP with update on design and milestones of Brookfield well.
2.	01/10/2022	Crew	Board of Public Works	Site plan review letter for 375 Woodland Ave.
3.	01/11/2022	Crew	Board of Public Works	Drawings for Ramsey Golf & Country Club Pool renovation.
4.	01/21/2022	Crew	Board of Public Works	Operations report
5.	01/24/2022	M. Skorupa	Board of Public Works	Operations report
6.	01/24/2022	J. DeBlock	Board of Public Works	Management Report

ENGINEER'S REPORT

Mr. Bacolo thanked the Board for the appointment for 2022 and continued confidence in Crew.

Brookfield Well update, this well has been out of service since 2006. Crew completed the process of preparing design reports to bring back online and is currently memorializing these reports. The reports and recommendations will be reviewed by Mr. Skorupa and then presented to the Board. Councilwoman Cusick asked what the timeline is for this project. Mr. Bacolo responded approx. 2023.

Ramapo Reservation Well project, Crew is setting up meeting with the county parks dept to discuss decommissioning the wells. There are several test wells and monitoring wells in the park that are Ramsey's.

Lead service line replacement. NJ legislation made a new law in 2021 requiring all towns to identify all service lines in their systems and which of these are lead service lines with replacement within 10 years with 10% of replacements taking place each year. This new law includes lines all the way up to the home. The required investigation on lead lines is in process and will continue. Initial report has been provided to the NJDEP by Jan. 22, 2022 first deadline. Mr. DeBlock and Mr. Skorupa worked to identify these lines. Notification of these lead service lines is required to go out to the affected residents by Feb. 22, 2022. This information is required to be posted on Borough website. An update of inventory and plan for replacement is due to the NJDEP in July 2022. The NJDEP definition of lead service is all lead pipe fitting (gooseneck) and galvanized lines. The law requires that each Borough make every effort to identify all lead lines and replace whole portion.

Mr. Emmett inquired if there will be any assistance from NJDEP. Mr. Bacolo responded that there is a fund from the state to assist with this replacement project. It is based on the median income of each community. There may be federal monies available. Crew is exploring if this is available to the Borough.

OPERATIONS REPORT

The water dept is assisting the road dept. on snow and ice removal.

They have had continued challenges with the cold weather and pipe freezing.

Working with Mr. DeBlock and Crew on the lead line replacement.

OPERATIONS MANAGEMENT REPORT – Mr. DeBlock working on the lead line replacement with Mr. Skorupa.

Working on cyber security plan report with NJCCIC.

Working of BCU report.

ATTORNEY'S REPORT Two items on contracts for executive session.

MAYOR'S REPORT The Mayor thanked everyone for their service to the Board.

COUNCIL LIAISON'S REPORT Mrs. Cusick is happy to join the Board and gave some background on her waste water experience.

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT Mr.. Vozeh reviewed Bond ordinance from prior years for the Darlington Avenue Sewer Project. The project has been completed and in 2021 the Bond issued for the project was full paid off. There are unspent funds remaining in the ordinance of \$218,563.48. He asked the Board to introduce a resolution to recommend the Mayor & Council reallocate the remaining funds in the ordinance to use towards the E. Oak St. pod façade

improvements. Motion by Mr. Emmer that the Board recommend to the Mayor & Council that the remaining \$218,562.48 be used for the E. Oak, well façade project. Second by Mr. Coronato. Carried. The project is currently out to bid.

Budgets are in the works for the Board of Public Works and the Mayor & Council. These will be presented at the February meeting.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Motion by Mr. Coronato to open the floor for public comment

Mr. Coronato gave three opportunities for public comment. No other public present in person or on call.

Motion to close public comment by Mr. Coranto

OPERATIONS COMMITTEE Mr. Hewitt thanked the Mayor for his appointment and the Board for the opportunity to serve with them.

FINANCE

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

Resolution by: Mr. Tyburczy

Seconded by: Mayor Dillon

RESOLVED THAT: The following bills be paid and charged to the current Water/Sewer 2022 Budget:

CURRENT	\$ 602,347.70
RESERVE	\$ 251,302.98
WIRED	\$ 0

RESOLVED THAT: The following bills be paid and charged to the Capital Account: \$0

AYES: Mr. Emmer, Mayor Dillon, Mr. Hewitt, Mr. Coronato,
Dr. Goujani and Mr. Tyburczy, Mr. Emmett

NAYS: none

ABSENT:

OLD BUSINESS – none

NEW BUSINESS – none

EXECUTIVE SESSION – At 8:14 PM, motion by Mayor Dillon, second by Mr. Coronato. Carried.

RESOLVED THAT:

WHEREAS, the Open Public Meetings Act (N.J.S.A. 10:4-6 et seq.) permits the exclusion of the public from a meeting in certain circumstances; and

WHEREAS, The Board of Public Works of the Borough of Ramsey believes such circumstances exist; and

WHEREAS, The Board of Public Works of the Borough of Ramsey wishes to discuss matters of litigation, personnel, and contract negotiation; and

WHEREAS, minutes will be kept and once the matter involving the confidentiality of the above no longer exist, then the minutes can be made public;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by The Board of Public Works of the Borough of Ramsey, that the public be excluded from this meeting. The outcome of the meeting will be disclosed when a course of action is determined, or a decision is reached.

Motion by Mr. Coronato to end executive session at 8:30 PM, second by Mr. Hewitt.

AYES: Mr. Emmer, Mayor Dillon, Mr. Coronato, Mr. Hewitt, Mr. Tyburczy, Dr. Goujani and Mr. Emmett
NAYS: None
ABSENT:

Motion by Mr. Coronato to approve the extension of the NY Drill Company/Dryco contract through April 2023. Second by Mr. Emmer. Carried.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Coronato made a motion to adjourn at 8:32 PM. Seconded by Mayor Dillon. Carried.

Respectfully Submitted By: Kelly Sylvester