

**BOROUGH OF RAMSEY
THE BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS
REGULAR MEETING OF March 15, 2021
Via conference call**

Mr. Emmer called the regular meeting of The Board of Public Works to order at 7:33PM. 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 January 8th, 2021.

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

CORRESPONDENCE

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

MINUTES

Minutes of February 22, 2021 regular meeting were accepted. Motion by Mr. Emmer to approve, seconded by Mr. O'Rourke. Carried.

No.	Date	From	To	Subject
1.	02/24/2021	Crew	Board of Public Works	160 Forest Ave revised site plan for proposed water & sanitary sewer connection.
2.	02/25/21	Crew	Board of Public Works	Dixon Well Flow Meter Replacement project was awarded to CFM Construction Inc. in the amount of \$12,400. Request from Crew for performance bond, payment bond & certificate of insurance.
3.	03/05/2021	Crew	Board of Public Works	Payment request #8 for contract 19-4 from Stone Hill Contracting Co. for Spring & Orchard treatment facilities.
4.	03/05/2021	Crew	Board of Public Works	Payment request #13 for contract 19-3 (rebid) from Stone Hill Contracting Co. for Spring & Orchard treatment facilities.
5.	03/10/2021	Crew	Board of Public Works	Operations report
6.	03/15/2021	M. Skorupa	Board of Public Works	Operations report
7.	03/15/2021	J. DeBlock	Board of Public Works	Management Report

ENGINEER'S REPORT

Mr. Bacolo discussed the arsenic treatment project. Work continues for the Orchard and Spring St water pods. Both facilities are expected to come online in mid-April. This is contingent upon the completion of the SCADA work. The driveway paving is expected to be completed in the first week of April at both sites. Paving will take place at the Orchard site first and will include the bike path repair. The landscaping and restoration work will follow.

At the Martis Ave site, the siding will be completed in the next couple of weeks.

Dixon well flow meter replacement project update. The contract was awarded to CFM Construction Inc. in the amount of \$12,400. The signed contract and bonds were returned to Crew and were reviewed by Board Attorney, Mr. Corriston, several changes need to be made.

The Brookfield well arsenic treatment facility will be reinstated with a target date of 2022. The NJDEP granted a temporary permit to use the well until April 2021. Crew has asked for an extension which will provide use thru the summer. Crew has developed a schedule which will allow for the most flexibility. Construction will begin in early 2023 and expect to be completed by end of 2023. Crew will provide an extension letter along with timeline to NJDEP. At this time, the Isolux system is being used for the moment for the temporary installation.

Mr. Bacolo has one item for executive session.

OPERATIONS REPORT

Mr. Skorupa presented his monthly written report to the Board. They experienced one water main break. Continued working with Stone Hill, Ad Edge and Symbyosys-SCADA with installation and integration of the Arsenic replacement project.

The water dept. is preparing for the Spring hydrant flushing program which will begin on April 12th.

OPERATIONS MANAGEMENT REPORT

Mr. DeBlock reported that the erroneous data posted by NJDEP have been removed from their database. Sandra from Crew worked diligently to accomplish these corrections. Mr. DeBlock also reported that he worked with Mr. Skorupa on the SCADA installation for Arsenic replacement project.

ATTORNEY'S REPORT nothing to report. One item for executive session regarding contractual matters.

MAYOR'S REPORT Mayor Dillon thanked Mr. Martin for his many years of service, expertise and dedication to the Board of Public Works. The Mayor also referenced a voicemail received from a resident on Elizabeth Ave in the Martis Ave well who is very pleased with the façade work being done at this site.

COUNCIL LIAISON'S REPORT Mr. Kilman thanked Mr. Martin for his years of service on the Board.

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT Mr. Vozech noted that his first meeting on the Board of Public Works was in 2006 as a council liaison. It has been a pleasure working with Mr. Martin over the years, he had been a true asset to the Board and will be missed.

Regarding the Brookfield well. There is an excess inventory of Isolux cartridges. The Board will create a bid proposal and examine options to resell the remaining inventory of cartridges or they may be used for temporary operation at the Brookfield well.

Mr. Vozech reviewed the Capital Project Summary for 2021 and future years.

The priority projects for 2021 which would incur no debt include:

- Replacement of W-9 2000 service truck
- Landscaping of treatment well sites
- E. Oak well treatment unit façade
- SCADA communications upgrade
- Brookfield well 2022 permitting
- Sealing of Ramapo Reservation wells
- Manhole inspection report

Additional projects include Airmount Ave tanks in need of cleaning and repainting. Poplar water main replacement. Two Utility truck replacements, they are a 2003 & 2008, will be reassessed at the end of 2021. For 2022, part 2 of the Ramapo reservation well sealing. Hubbard/W. Oak St tanks to be refurbished. The construction of the Brookfield water pod would be projected for 2023.

Mr. Vozech is asking the Board for approval of allocation of funds for the preliminary work for the most prioritized projects that have been identified. These items are already in the 2021 budget.

Motion by Mr. Emmer to approve allocation of funds for capital in the amount of \$585,000. Seconded by Mr. Coronato. Carried

AYES: Mr. Emmer, Mayor Dillon, Mr. O'Rourke, Mr. Martin,
Mr. Coronato and Dr. Goujani
NAYS: None
ABSENT: Mr. Emmett

PUBLIC COMMENT

Motion by Mr. Emmer to open the floor for Public comment, seconded by Dr. Goujani. Carried.

Mr. Emmer asked for public comment three times and paused each time, there were no public comments

Motion to close public comment by Mr. Emmer. Seconded by Mr. O'Rourke. Carried.

OPERATIONS COMMITTEE nothing to report. Mr. O'Rourke thanked Mr. Martin for his many years of service to the Board of Public Works.

FINANCE

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

Resolution by: Mr. Coronato

Seconded by: Dr. Goujani

RESOLVED THAT: The following bills be paid and charged to the current Water/Sewer 2021 Budget:

CURRENT	\$ 79,122.95
WIRED	\$ 60,697.94
RESERVE	\$ 0

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

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

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Mr. Emmett

OLD BUSINESS – none

NEW BUSINESS – none

Mr. Emmer spoke about Mr. Martin and thanked him for his guidance and commitment to the Board of Public Works. Mr. Martin commented on his experience over the last 20+ years and the Board.

The meeting will be adjourned and not return to public meeting after executive session.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Martin made a motion to adjourn at 8:16 PM. Seconded by Mr. Emmer. Carried.

Respectfully Submitted By: Kelly Sylvester