

**MINUTES
HARDYSTON TOWNSHIP
MUNICIPAL UTILITIES AUTHORITY
May 6, 2024**

The meeting of the Hardyston Township Municipal Utilities Authority was held on Monday, May 6, 2024 at 7:00 p.m., at the Municipal Building located at 149 Wheatsworth Road.

Members Present: Mr. Cicerale, Mr. Kaminski, Mr. Codner. Mr. Caiazzo, Mr. O’Grady, and Mr. Worthce

Members Absent: Mrs. Carey

Also present: Mrs. Carrine Piccolo-Kaufer, Mr. Michael DiFazio, and Mr. Mike Vreeland.

After salute to the flag, Mr. Cicerale stated compliance with the Open Public Meetings Act.

MINUTES: A MOTION was made by Caiazzo seconded by Kaminski, to approve the minutes of the March 4, 2024 meeting. In favor, Kaminski, Caizaa, and Codner. Abstain, O’Grady

OLD BUSINESS:

Indian Fields:

Phase II As-Built Plans- no updates

Crystal Springs:

Shotmeyer Tract/ Bypass- no updates

Operational Considerations / Metering / Strategic Planning:

Conversion to a Meter Based Billing System – Nothing new to report

Fixed Assets/Developer Conveyance – Nothing new to report.

Indian Field Well 3 – Mr. Vreeland indicated they are awaiting follow-up and guidance from NJDEP staff regarding what treatment will be necessary in order to submit an updated corrective action plan.

NEW BUSINESS

- a. A MOTION was made by Mr. O’Grady, second by Mr. Codner to approve the Resolution of the Hardyston Township Municipal Utilities Authority Authorizing the Award of a Professional Services Contract for a Back-up Water/Sewer Operator and Emergency Response Services on a Temporary Basis for the Crystal Springs and Indian Field Water and Sewer Systems. In favor: Cicerale, Kaminski, Caiazzo, and Codner.

**A RESOLUTION OF THE
HARDYSTON TOWNSHIP MUNICIPAL UTILITIES AUTHORITY
AUTHORIZING THE AWARD OF A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACT FOR A
BACK-UP WATER/SEWER OPERATOR AND EMERGENCY RESPONSE SERVICES
ON A TEMPORARY BASIS FOR THE CRYSTAL SPRINGS AND INDIAN FIELDS
WATER AND SEWER SYSTEMS**

WHEREAS, the Hardyston Township Municipal Utilities Authority (the “Authority”) owns and operates a potable water supply system and a wastewater conveyance system servicing the residents of Hardyston Township; and

WHEREAS, the Local Public Contract Law (N.J.S.A. 40A: 11-1 et seq.) authorizes a contract for professional services without the need for competitive bidding; and

WHEREAS, the Authority seeks to retain a licensed Back-Up Operator for the potable water supply system (“Water System”) and sewer system (“Sewer System”) to December 31, 2024; and

WHEREAS, the Authority’s Engineer, Van Cleef Engineering Associates, has proposed the services of Robert Olivo as a licensed Back-Up Operator for the Water System and Sewer System, in accordance with the proposal attached hereto; and

WHEREAS, the Authority has determined that Robert Olivo meets the licensing requirements and has the experience to serve as the Back-Up Operator for the Water System and Sewer System;

WHEREAS, the Local Public Contract Law (N.J.S.A. 40A: 11-1 et seq.) requires that the resolution authorizing the award of contracts for “professional services” without competitive bids on the contract itself must be available for public inspection;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of the Hardyston Township Municipal Utilities Authority that:

1. Robert Olivo, of Van Cleef Engineering, is hereby appointed to act as the Authority’s licensed Back-Up Operator of the Water System and Sewer System in accordance with the proposal attached hereto; and
2. A copy of this Resolution shall be available for public inspection.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this Resolution of the Board of Commissioners of the Hardyston Township Municipal Utilities Authority shall take effect immediately.

PAYMENT OF BILLS:

A MOTION was made by Kaminski and seconded by O’Grady to pay the bills, as per the bill list for April 1, & May 6, 2024. In favor: Cicerale, Kaminski, Caiazzo, and Codner.

CORRESPONDENCE:

A MOTION was made by Kaminski and seconded by Codner to accept the correspondence as presented. In favor: Cicerale, Kaminski, Caiazzo, and Codner.

OFFICER’S REPORTS:

No additional comments

PROFESSIONAL’S REPORTS:

Administrator – Ms. Kaufer said that there has been renewed interest in Verizon wanting to co-locate on the water tower. She will work with Counsel to prepare the bid documents for release in the next 4-6 weeks.

Operator – Nothing further to report.

Billing Clerk – Nothing further to report.

CFO – Not present.

Accountant – Not present.

Attorney – Nothing further to report.

Engineer – Nothing further to report

OPEN PUBLIC PORTION:

The meeting was opened to the public.

As there were no members of the public present, the meeting was closed to the public.

There being no further business, A MOTION was made by O’Grady to adjourn, all in favor, meeting adjourned at 7:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Nicole Niebuhr
Board Secretary