#### TOWNSHIP OF NEPTUNE SEWERAGE AUTHORITY

# February 9, 2010 Meeting

The meeting for the Township of Neptune Sewerage Authority was held on the above date with the following Authority Commissioners present: Harry Devine, Maureen O'Rourke, James Williams and James Mowczan. The following Commissioner was absent: James W. Manning, Jr. The following consultants were also present: Ms. Aldarelli and Mr. Crane. In addition, Superintendent Chris Kelly and Executive Director Tina Della Pietro were also present.

Vice Chairman Devine called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Moment of Silence and Flag Salute. Vice Chairman Devine stated that the fire exits are located in the direction that he is indicating, in case of fire you will be notified by bell and or public address system. Vice Chairman Devine requested a roll call.

Vice Chairman Devine made the following statement. Adequate notice of this meeting has been approved by the delivering of the required advertisement to the Asbury Park Press and the Coaster on January 27, 2011 and by filing a copy of said notice with the clerks of the customer municipalities.

Vice Chairman Devine asked if anyone had any other business that may come before the Authority. Mr. Curto was requesting a position as the Assistant Executive Director.

Vice Chairman Devine questioned Mr. Crane if he had anything else to report. Mr. Crane informed the Commissioners that the Laird Avenue pumps have been delayed to March 23, 2011. He stated that he had a meeting with the manufacturer and expressed

his displeasure with the two month delay. Mr. Crane stated that he would get back to the Authority with a date.

Commissioner Mowczan questioned Mr. Crane if the Authority would be able to obtain any stimulus money for the possibility of installing solar panels to help offset electricity costs. Mr. Crane indicated that he has been preparing energy audits for other municipalities and the intent of the audit is to review all possibilities for energy savings through the various plant processes, solar panels and renewable energy credits. He indicated that there are programs available through the NJ Clean Energy which may fund the audit 100% provided the Authority institute some of the energy conservation recommendations from the energy audit. Mr. Crane explained two ways the Authority could proceed with instituting solar panels. He indicated that the Authority could purchase the panels, maintain and operate them or participate in a power purchase agreement with the solar panel company and buy electricity at a reduced rate. Mr. Crane stated that the first step is to start with an energy audit to see if solar panels are feasible for the Authority. Commissioner Mowzcan questioned the maintenance issues with solar Mr. Crane stated that they are low maintenance. Commissioner Devine panels. questioned the cost for an energy audit. Mr. Crane stated that the energy audit would be between \$40,000.00 to \$60,000.00 which would contain information that the NJ Clean Energy Program requires to be reviewed both technically and financially. Ms. Della Pietro questioned the installation of the gas flow meters and the data that we are collecting on the amount of methane gas the Authority is producing. Mr. Crane stated that the Authority is measuring the gas to determine if the Authority could produce electricity and hot water to help offset the electricity costs. Commissioner Devine questioned if the Authority would be duplicating its efforts with the energy audit. Mr. Crane stated that the energy audit would be more comprehensive and provide the Authority with financial and technical data on various energy saving options. Commissioner Mowzcan questioned Mr. Crane on how the Authority proceeds with performing an energy audit. Mr. Crane stated that the first thing would be for the Authority to file an application with the NJ Clean Energy Program to perform an energy audit. Commissioner Devine requested if Mr. Crane could put a package together for review by the Commissioners. Mr. Crane stated that he could provide Ms. Della Pietro with a sample report for the Authority to review.

Vice Chairman Devine questioned Ms. Aldarelli if she had anything to report.

Ms. Aldarelli stated that she had nothing to report.

Vice Chairman Devine questioned Mr. Kelly if he had anything further to add to his report. Mr. Kelly stated that the Vaughn Chopper Digester Recirculation Pump was delivered this past week and the staff is preparing for the installation. He stated that it should be ready for start up by next week.

Mr. Kelly also added that the Authority is no further along with its permit for the waste stack burner. He stated that the enforcement agency will probably be in for an inspection to review the temperature charts and there is nothing new to inform the agency on this project. Commissioner Devine questioned the hold up of this permit. Mr. Kelly stated that some of the issues have to do with the Varec flare. He stated that according to information that he received for Ms. Della Pietro it is not getting through permitting. Ms. Della Pietro stated that CME prepared a response to Mr. Ganguly of the DEP concerning questions they had about the Varec flare. She stated this information was submitted in

early January. She also indicated that she spoke with CME to find out the status of the permit and they did not know. Ms. Della Pietro received an e-mail from CME a week later indicating that Mr. Ganguly is on administrative leave and he would not be back in the office for a few weeks. Mr. Kelly stated that we suggested in the past entering into an ACO just in case it would take us longer than expected but CME suggested not going that route. Mr. Kelly added that the chart recorder may dip below the required temperature within the permit even though the temperature may be higher at the flare. Commissioner Devine stated that the reason that CME suggested not to enter into an ACO was because they thought that the Authority would be able to obtain the permit in a timely manner. The Commissioners decided to have Ms. Della Pietro contact the DEP to find out the status of the permit.

Vice Chairman Devine questioned Ms. Della Pietro if she had anything else to add to her report. Ms. Della Pietro stated that the Authority received a plaque from the Statewide Insurance Fund for 2010. She also stated that Mr. Crane prepared a TWA approval letter for TFH Publications, Inc. in Neptune City. She indicated that it was for a reduction of flow in the amount of eight five gallons per day. She indicated that the Commissioners may approve this at tonight's meeting.

Ms. Della Pietro stated that Mr. Crane prepared the certification of flows for 2010. She indicated that she was able to prepare the 2011 rate schedule that was forwarded to Mr. Fallon and Mr. Goode for review. She indicated that the Commissioners may set the rate hearing for March 9, 2011 at tonight's meeting or next week.

## <u>RESOLUTIONS</u>

#### No. 4388 – Open Executive Session:

Commissioner O'Rourke moved Resolution No. 4388 seconded by Commissioner Williams. On a voice vote, the vote was as follows: Devine: Aye, O'Rourke: Aye, Williams: Aye, Mowczan: Aye and Manning: Absent.

## No. 4389 – Adjourn from Executive Session:

Commissioner Williams moved Resolution No. 4389 seconded by Commissioner O'Rourke. On a voice vote, the vote was as follows: Devine: Aye, O'Rourke: Aye, Williams: Aye, Mowczan: Aye and Manning: Absent.

Vice Chairman Devine stated that let the record reflect that Commissioner Williams arrived at 6:05 p.m.

No. 4390 – Approve TWA Application for TFH Publications, Inc in Neptune City:

Commissioner O'Rourke moved Resolution No. 4390 seconded by Commissioner Williams. On a voice vote, the vote was as follows: Devine: Aye, O'Rourke: Aye, Williams: Aye, Mowczan: Aye and Manning: Absent.

Vice Chairman Devine questioned if anyone from the general public had any business to be brought before the Authority. None noted.

A motion was made by Commissioner Williams and seconded by Commissioner Mowczan that the meeting be adjourned at 6:50 p.m. On a voice vote, the vote was as follows: Devine: Aye, O'Rourke: Aye, Williams: Aye, Mowczan: Aye and Manning:

Respectfully submitted,

Tina M. Della Pietro

Absent.