

Franklin Township Sewerage Authority

Minutes of Meeting

April 1, 2025

PRESENT

Vice Chairman Anbarasan (by video) called the Monthly Meeting of the Township of Franklin Sewerage Authority to order at 6:31 PM. The following Commissioners were also present (all by video): Mr. Anbarasan, Mr. Farooqi, Ms. Francois, and Ms. Davenport. Also in attendance were Joseph Danielsen, Executive Director / Special Project Manager (in person), Dr. Apryl L. Roach, Administrative Manager / Chief Human Resources Officer (in person); Scott Nocero, Operations Manager (by video); Mr. Brian Hak, Esq., General Counsel (by video); William Korosec and Howard Matteson, Consulting Engineers (all by video).

Also in attendance: The Franklin Reporter & Advocate

ROLL CALL

Mr. Anbarasan	-	Aye
Mr. Farooqi	-	Aye
Ms. Francois	-	Aye
Mr. Schmidt	-	Absent
Mr. Kovacs (Alt. #1)	-	Aye
Ms. Davenport (Alt. #2)	-	Aye
Chairwoman Ford	-	Absent

Commissioner Schmidt joined the meeting at approximately 6:35 PM

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

CHAIRPERSON STATEMENT:

Vice Chairman Anbarasan stated that, in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 231 of the Public Laws of 1975 (Open Public Meetings Act) and Chapter 11 of the Public Laws of 2020, all requirements had been met to allow for the electronic meeting of the Board.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Mr. Schmidt moved to open the meeting for Public Comments, seconded by Ms. Francois.

The members voted as follows:

Mr. Anbarasan	-	Aye
Mr. Farooqi	-	Aye
Ms. Francois	-	Aye
Mr. Schmidt	-	Aye
Mr. Kovacs (Alt. #1)	-	
Ms. Davenport (Alt. #2)	-	
Chairwoman Ford	-	Absent

Ms. Francois moved to close the meeting for Public Comments, seconded by Mr. Schmidt.

The members voted as follows:

Mr. Anbarasan	-	Aye
Mr. Farooqi	-	Aye
Ms. Francois	-	Aye
Mr. Schmidt	-	Aye
Mr. Kovacs (Alt. #1)	-	
Ms. Davenport (Alt. #2)	-	
Chairwoman Ford	-	Absent

REVIEW OF THE BOARD MEETNG MINUTES – April 1, 2025

REGULAR MONTHLY BOARD MEETING – March 4, 2025

Vice Chairman Anbarasan asked if there were any questions or concerns regarding the meeting minutes from the March 4, 2025 Regular Board Meeting.

Mr. Schmidt made a motion to accept the March 4, 2025 Board Meeting minutes with a revision to page four (4) removing “No Report” under item 10 “Committee Reports” relative to “Safety, seconded by Ms. Davenport.

The members voted as follows:

Mr. Anbarasan	-	Aye
Mr. Farooqi	-	Aye
Ms. Francois	-	Aye
Mr. Schmidt	-	Aye
Mr. Kovacs (Alt. #1)	-	
Ms. Davenport (Alt. #2)	-	
Chairwoman Ford	-	Absent

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY – PROFESSIONAL REPORTS

Presented by: Joseph Danielsen, Executive Director / Special Project Manager

Consulting Engineer Report - CME

Consulting Engineer Report - CDM

General Counsel Report – Eric M. Bernstein, Esq.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR SUMMARY

Presented By: Joseph Danielsen, Executive Director / Special Project Manager

Operations Report – Scott Nocero

Connections Report – CME Consulting Engineers

Special Projects Report – Joseph Danielsen

ADDITIONAL NOTE:

Mr. Nocero said a few members of the maintenance team have recently taken the State exam Collections license and passed.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

NEGOTIATIONS / PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

Mr. Anbarasan reported a meeting had been scheduled but canceled. The meeting will be rescheduled.

MUNICIPAL LIAISON COMMITTEE

Ms. Francois reported that they have had several financial oversight sub-committee meetings. There was an amount recommended by the Authority to be inserted into the Municipal budget.

CONSTRUCTION COMMITTEE

No Report.

SAFETY COMMITTEE

Mr. Nocero reported there were no accidents or injuries.

APPROVAL OF RESOLUTIONS

The approval of some of the Resolutions will be done by the Consent Agenda.

Chairwoman Ford said that all the items listed below are considered to be of a routine nature, thereby requiring one (1) motion and one (1) second for all items.

If any member wishes to remove an item from the Consent Agenda, please advise the Chairwoman at this time as to which resolution(s) need to be handled separately, and they will be addressed and voted on separately.

Resolution Number 04012025 - 1	Payroll Account \$ 145,242.53
Resolution Number 04012025 - 2	Operating Expense Account \$2,499,225.02
Resolution Number 04012025 – 3	General Fund \$1,571,017.56
Resolution Number 04012025 – 4	Renewal and Replacement \$ 96,677.25
Resolution Number 04012025 - 5	Escrow Fund Account \$ 8,197.00

Ms. Francois made a motion, seconded by Mr. Kovacs.

The members voted as follows:

Mr. Anbarasan	-	Aye
Mr. Farooqi	-	Aye
Ms. Francois	-	Aye
Mr. Schmidt	-	Aye
Mr. Kovacs (Alt. #1)	-	
Ms. Davenport (Alt. #2)	-	
Chairwoman Ford	-	Absent

AND ADDITIONAL RESOLUTION(S): MOTION FOR EACH ONE

RESOLUTION NUMBER 04012025 – 6

**RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF FRANKLIN SEWERAGE AUTHORITY
DECLARING ITS OFFICIAL INTENT TO REIMBURSE EXPENDITURES FOR
PROJECT COSTS FROM THE PROCEEDS OF DEBT OBLIGATIONS IN
CONNECTION WITH ITS PARTICIPATION IN THE NEW JERSEY WATER
BANK ENVIRONMENTAL INFRASTRUCTURE FINANCING PROGRAM**

MOVER: Mr. Schmidt
SECONDER: Ms. Francois

AYES: All present
NAYS:
ABSENT: Ms. Ford
ABSTAIN:

RESOLUTION NUMBER 04012025 – 7

SUPPLEMENTAL BOND RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF NOT TO EXCEED \$5,000,000 SEWER REVENUE BONDS (JUNIOR LIEN, SERIES 2025) OF THE TOWNSHIP OF FRANKLIN SEWERAGE AUTHORITY AND PROVIDING FOR THEIR SALE TO THE NEW JERSEY INFRASTRUCTURE BANK PURSUANT TO THE STATE FISCAL YEAR 2025 NEW JERSEY WATER BANK ENVIRONMENTAL INFRASTRUCTURE FINANCING PROGRAM

**MOVER: Ms. Francois
SECONDER: Mr. Schmidt**

**AYES: All present
NAYS:
ABSENT: Ms. Ford
ABSTAIN:**

RESOLUTION NUMBER 04012025 – 8

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE RENEWAL OF AN AGREEMENT WITH PRIVATIZER TECHNOLOGIES, LLC

**MOVER: Mr. Farooqi
SECONDER: Ms. Francois**

**AYES: All present
NAYS:
ABSENT: Ms. Ford
ABSTAIN:**

EXECUTIVE CLOSED SESSION

N/A

Mr. Kovacs made a motion to adjourn at 7:12 PM seconded by Ms. Francois.

The members voted as follows:

Mr. Anbarasan	-	Aye
Mr. Farooqi	-	Aye
Ms. Francois	-	Aye
Mr. Schmidt	-	Aye
Mr. Kovacs (Alt. #1)	-	
Ms. Davenport (Alt. #2)	-	
Chairwoman Ford	-	Absent

Respectfully submitted,

Apryl L. Roach

Dr. Apryl L. Roach, MBA, MSHRM, SHRM-CP, PHR, SHRM-CP, Q.P.A., R.P.P.S.
Administrative Manager / Chief Human Resources Officer