

**SOUTH MONMOUTH MUNICIPAL UTILITIES AUTHORITY
SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES**

July 28, 2011

2:00 PM

The South Monmouth Municipal Utilities Authority members met in the Wall Township Municipal Building Meeting Room on July 28, 2011. Present were Chairman Bryan Dempsey representing the Borough of Spring Lake, Vice Chairman Kevin Thompson representing the Borough of Sea Girt, Thomas Nolan representing the Borough of Brielle, Art Herner representing the Borough of Spring Lake Heights and Executive Director Joseph Verruni representing Wall Township. Joseph Annecharico of the Patriot Consulting Group, David Applegate of Birdsall Engineering and Bill Roth, the New Jersey District Manager of Sensus were also present.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Bryan Dempsey.

Chairman Dempsey called for a moment of silence followed by the Salute to the Flag.

Chairman Dempsey read the Open Public Meeting notice.

Roll-call was taken by Phyllis Heinle.

Joseph Annecharico introduced himself as the primary contact person who would be working on the management study project. He asked to schedule a meeting individually with each of the township representatives along with the plant superintendent. He hopes to provide a report that would detail the purchase of materials, supplies, staffing patterns (retirements), how metering takes place, billing and collection procedures and how the purchase of equipment could be combined, etc. He believes that ultimately the study recommendations could result in a joint meeting among the five towns or possibly establish a lead agency that would provide central services. The data gathering should take approximately 2 weeks.

Kevin Thompson spoke of potential problems with the DEP. Tom Nolan said that because they are an authority, they would likely be able to do things otherwise not allowed. Mr. Annecharico agreed and said they may even now be able to do things they aren't aware of such as combined purchasing and emergency repairs, through the existence of the utilities authority. No major change in structure may be needed. David Applegate advised they need to speak to the right people at the DEP who would cooperate, which information he would share with Mr. Annecharico.

Kevin Thompson said he is required by his council to tell everyone that Sea Girt is interested in the study but is not committed to the results.

Bill Roth of Sensus spoke about doing a propagation study to determine where coverage is from existing equipment as the capabilities and keeping costs down are their major considerations for the utility.

There being no new business and no public comment Chairman Dempsey called for a motion to go into executive session. Kevin Thompson made a motion to go into executive session, Tom Nolan seconded the motion.

At 2:28 the members adjourned to Mr. Verruni's conference room to discuss water allocations with attorney Mark Kitrick via telephone.

Chairman Dempsey called for a motion to close the executive session.

Art Herner made a motion to close the executive session, Thomas Nolan seconded the motion and the executive session adjourned at 2:40

Chairman Dempsey called for a motion to reopen the regular meeting.

Tom Nolan made a motion to reopen the regular meeting, Kevin Thompson seconded the motion and the regular meeting resumed at 2:41

There being no public comment and no further business, Chairman Dempsey called for a motion to adjourn.

Tom Nolan made a motion to adjourn and was seconded by Kevin Thompson.

All being in agreement, the meeting was adjourned at 2:42 PM.