

**SOUTHEAST MONMOUTH MUNICIPAL UTILITIES AUTHORITY
MEETING MINUTES**

March 7, 2024

9:30 AM

The Southeast Monmouth Municipal Utilities Authority members met on March 7, 2024. Present were Wall Township representative Jeff Bertrand, Brielle Borough representative Tom Nolan, Sea Girt Borough representative Michael McArthur, Spring Lake Heights Borough representative Joe May, and Spring Lake Borough representative Bryan Dempsey. Also present were attorney Mark Kitrick, Steve Mayer, NJWSA Plant Manager Paul McKeon and NJWSA Edward Otreba.

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

Roll-call was taken by Lauren Lazar.

Bryan Dempsey called for a motion to approve the March Bill List in the amount of \$320,485.75.

Tom Nolan made a motion to approve the March Bill list.

Michael McArthur seconded the motion and upon roll-call the members voted as follows:

Tom Nolan	Yea
Michael McArthur	Yea
Joseph May	Yea
Jeffry Bertrand	Yea
Bryan Dempsey	Yea

There being 5 yeas and no nays, Jeff Bertrand declared the March bill list approved.

Bryan Dempsey called for a motion to approve the February meeting minutes.

Michael McArthur made a motion to approve February meeting minutes.

Joseph May seconded the motion and upon roll-call the members voted as follows:

Tom Nolan	Yea
Michael McArthur	Yea
Joseph May	Yea
Jeffry Bertrand	Yea
Bryan Dempsey	Yea

There being 5 yeas and no nays, Jeff Bertrand declared February meeting minutes approved.

Stephanie DeCotiis provided an update regarding the H2M Engineering report. The Northwest Wall improvements are ongoing, the tank contractor is remobilizing back to the site, and both contractors are active on the project. There are weekly progress meetings and the bulk of construction should be done within the next three to six months.

In regards to PFAS, H2M submitted a proposal for a feasibility study and are looking for authorization. Paul McKeon stated he had heard from Marc Brooks and had no problem with the feasibility study. Based on the top three suggested ways to resolve, they are doing the same at the plant as well. Moving forward there is a pilot study on the plant scale and taking monthly samples to see what removal is necessary.

There was continued discussion regarding the requested change order for the Northwest Wall project.

Bryan Dempsey called for a motion to authorize the feasibility study.

Tom Nolan made a motion to authorize.

Mike McArthur seconded the motion and upon roll-call the members voted as follows:

Tom Nolan	Yea
Michael McArthur	Yea
Joseph May	Yea
Jeffry Bertrand	Yea
Bryan Dempsey	Yea

There being 5 yeas and no nays, Bryan Dempsey declared authorization approved.

Bryan Dempsey called for a motion to approve the Amendment to H2M Construction Administration Scope.

Michael McArthur made a motion to approve the amendment.

Tom Nolan seconded the motion and upon roll-call the members voted as follows:

Tom Nolan	Yea
Michael McArthur	Yea
Joseph May	Yea
Jeffry Bertrand	Yea
Bryan Dempsey	Yea

There being 5 yeas and no nays, Bryan Dempsey declared amendment approved.

Bryan Dempsey called for a motion to approve the PFAS study.

Michael McArthur made a motion to approve the PFAS study.

Tom Nolan seconded the motion and upon roll-call the members voted as follows:

Tom Nolan	Yea
Michael McArthur	Yea
Joseph May	Yea
Jeffry Bertrand	Yea
Bryan Dempsey	Yea

There being 5 yeas and no nays, Bryan Dempsey declared PFAS study approved.

In old business, none.

In new business, Paul McKeon provided an updated for the month at the plant, stating things had been quiet over the last month; there is preventative maintenance planned for spring and no big anomalies recently.

There being no further old or new business and no public comment, Bryan Dempsey called for a motion to adjourn and all being in agreement, the meeting adjourned at 10:22 AM.