

BOROUGH OF BUENA
MUNICIPAL UTILITIES AUTHORITY
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The regular meeting of the BBMUA was held on January 8, 2025 at 6:30 p.m. This meeting notice was provided to The Daily Journal and the Atlantic City Press which are the BBMUA's official newspapers. Notices are also posted on the bulletin boards within the Municipal Building as well as the Borough of Buena and BBMUA's websites. The meeting took place in the large meeting room located in the Municipal Building, Minotola while practicing social distancing and complying with guidelines.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Robert Delano.

Those present were:

R. Delano	C. Santore
J. Johnston	J. Erber
D. Romeo	
J. Santagata	
D. Carolla	

Chairman Delano opened the meeting welcoming Dennis Carolla to the BBMUA Board and thanking him for taking on the position of Alternate I. Mr. Allen Sasdelli submitted a letter of resignation to the Mayor of Buena Borough and the Resolution appointing Mr. Carolla. Mr. Delano thanked Mr. Sasdelli for his service to the BBMUA Board.

Marc DeBlasio of DeBlasio and Associates submitted a proposal to prepare the NJDEP Water Allocation Permit renewal in the amount of \$4,000.00.

m/Romeo s/Johnston to approve the proposal in the amount of \$4,000.00 from DeBlasio and Associates to file the NJDEP Water Allocation Permit renewal. m/passed

A copy of an email that was sent to the Borough of Buena Administrator, Maryann Coraluzzo, by David Horst of DeBlasio & Associates was provided to the Board. The email provided the Engineering Design and Construction Phase Services proposal for the NJ I-Bank FY2025 Clean Water Application.

A copy of the letters mailed with the project contracts for the electrical services and plumbing/mechanical services contracts sent by DeBlasio & Associates were provided to the board for their information.

Marc DeBlasio of DeBlasio & Associates provided a recommendation of award letter for the Furnishing and Delivery of Liquid Aluminum Sulfate to Univar USA, Inc. for a bid amount of \$50,804.00 pending the BBMUA Solicitor's approval for a two-year term. This was reviewed by the BBMUA Solicitor and he stated that everything was in order and the bid could be awarded.

m/Romeo s/Johnston to award the bid for the furnishing and delivery of Liquid Aluminum Sulfate to Univar USA, Inc. with a bid amount of \$50,804.00 for a two-year period beginning January 1, 2025 through December 31, 2026. m/passed

m/Romeo s/Johnston to adopt resolution R-4-2025 awarding the contract for the furnishing and delivery of Liquid Aluminum Sulfate to Univar USA, Inc. m/passed

Marc DeBlasio of DeBlasio & Associates provided a recommendation of award letter for the Furnishing and Delivery of Micro C 2000 to Univar USA, Inc. for a bid amount of \$42,180.00 pending the BBMUA Solicitor's approval for a two-year term. The bid was reviewed by the BBMUA Solicitor and he stated that everything was in order and the bid could be awarded.

m/Romeo s/Johnston to award the bid for the furnishing and delivery of Micro C 2000 to Univar USA, Inc. with a bid amount of \$42,180.00 for a two-year period beginning January 1, 2025 through December 31, 2026. m/passed

m/Romeo s/Johnston to adopt resolution R-5-2025 awarding the contract for the furnishing and delivery of Micro C 2000 to Univar USA, Inc. m/passed

Marc DeBlasio of DeBlasio & Associates provided a recommendation of award letter for the Furnishing and Delivery of Wood Chips to Warriner's Construction for a bid amount of \$45,600.00 pending the BBMUA Solicitor's approval for a two-year term. This was reviewed by the BBMUA Solicitor and he stated that everything was in order and the bid could be awarded.

m/Johnston s/Romeo to award the bid for the furnishing and delivery of Wood Chips to Warriner's Construction with a bid amount of \$45,600.00 for a two-year period beginning January 1, 2025 through December 31, 2026. m/passed

m/Johnston s/Romeo to adopt resolution R-6-2025 awarding the contract for the furnishing and delivery of wood chips to Warriner's Construction, Inc. m/passed

m/Johnston s/Romeo to approve the treasurer's report as read. m/passed

Cheryl Santore provided the board with a copy of the 2025 PERS Employers Liability for the annual pension contribution for the board's information.

m/Romeo s/Johnston to adopt resolution R-1-2025 adopting a new Cash Management Plan for the Calendar Year 2025 pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:5-14. m/passed

m/Johnston s/Romeo to adopt resolution R-2-2025 establishing minimum standards for prospective contractors and subcontractors for Authority Projects. m/passed

m/Johnston s/Romeo to adopt resolution R-3-2025 authorizing contracts with approved state contract vendors for contracting units pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-12a. m/passed

Ms. Santore informed the Board that the minutes for the December 11, 2024 meeting will be on the next regular meeting agenda for approval.

In 2022 the BBMUA decided that we needed to contract for an emergency vac truck. Quotes were solicited again for 2025 and GE Mechanical was the low quote which was presented to the Board at tonight's meeting for their consideration. Therefore, a resolution was adopted to enter into a contract with GE Mechanical for vac truck services as quoted.

m/Romeo s/Johnston to adopt resolution R-7-2025 awarding a contract for the furnishing of vac truck services to G.E. Mechanical, Inc. for a period of one year. m/passed

A quotation was received from Kappe Associates, Inc. for the annual Healy Ruff/Eaton Service Contract. The price for 2025 is \$5,085.00. Kappe Associates, Inc. is the only company who can service this equipment.

m/Romeo s/Johnston to approve the renewal of the annual service contract with Kappe Associates, Inc. for the Healy Ruff/Eaton Service contract in the amount not to exceed \$5,085.00. m/passed

Quotations were obtained for a Micro Test Bench to test residential ¾" & 1" water meters. Three quotes were solicited but only two companies quoted. Rio Supply came in with the lowest quote in the amount of \$6,200.00. The Board decided that this would be a beneficial piece of equipment to own as it would allow us to test meters if there is ever

a discrepancy with meter readings. Therefore, the board made a motion to purchase the equipment.

m/Romeo s/Johnston to approve the purchase of a Micro Test Bench from Rio Supply in the amount of \$6,200.00 m/passed

An email was received from David Horst of DeBlasio & Associates to Alan Zorzi regarding the Buena Connection Brewing Company questioning how the Brewing Company should be Classified. The Board agreed that until the Brewing Company begins testing the wastewater they will dispense into the Sanitary Sewer system that classification cannot be determined. Therefore, a draft interim agreement will have to be drawn up and signed just like we had to do with High Grass Farms. Once the test results come back and the effects the wastewater may or may not have on our processes, the proper billing classification and a permanent agreement can be put in place. Member David Romeo asked if anyone reached out to other towns with breweries to see what effects they have had on the processes in their towns. Assistant Superintendent Jonathan Erber stated he had not, however, he believes that Mr. Cathcart of DeBlasio & Associates had been in contact with a few.

David Romeo asked how the response was to the letter that was sent out to all water customers regarding the lead service lines. Jonathan Erber stated that they received a good amount of response to the letter and they are continually doing the inspections when called and logging them into the required spreadsheet. Mr. Erber did state that they will probably have to mail out the letters again to obtain more responses.

m/Romeo s/Johnston to file all correspondence sent out for review without reading number 1 through number 20. m/passed

m/Johnston s/Romeo to pay all bills presented for the month of January 2025. m/passed

The next regular meeting will be held on January 22, 2025 at 6:30 p.m.

m/Romeo s/Johnston to adjourn the meeting 6:56 p.m. m/passed

Submitted by
Cheryl Santore-BBMUA Secretary