

**MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF THE
MAYOR AND COUNCIL
OF THE BOROUGH OF SUSSEX
HELD AT THE SUSSEX MUNICIPAL BUILDING
2 MAIN STREET, SUSSEX, NJ
APRIL 12, 2018**

Mayor Little called the meeting to order and requested the clerk to call the roll. Upon roll call, the following members of the Governing Body were present: Mr. Michael Brennan, Mr. Walter Cleary, III, Mr. Robert Holowach, Mrs. Linda Masson, Mr. Edward Meyer, Mr. Mario Poggi and Mayor Katherine Little.

Absent: None

Also present: Mr. Michael Restel, Municipal Administrator, Borough Attorney Mr. Frank McGovern, Esq. of McGovern and Roseman, P.A., and Mrs. Antoinette Smith, Acting Municipal Clerk.

Mayor Little led the assembly in the flag salute and requested a moment of silence.

Mayor Little stated "This meeting is being held in compliance with the provisions of the Open Public Meetings Act, N.J.S.A. 10:4-6 et seq. It has been properly advertised and certified by the Clerk."

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Mr. Poggi made a motion to approve the agenda for April 12, 2018. Motion seconded by Mr. Holowach.

Upon roll call vote:

Ayes: Brennan, Cleary, Holowach, Masson, Meyer, Poggi

Nays: None

Abstentions: None

Absent: None

OPEN PUBLIC SESSION:

Mr. Holowach made a motion to open the meeting to the public for any questions or comments concerning the good and welfare of the Borough. All comments should be directed to the Mayor and are limited to 10 minutes. Motion seconded by Mrs. Masson.

All were in favor.

There being no one present who wished to address the Governing Body, Mrs. Masson made a motion to close the meeting to the public. Motion seconded by Mr. Holowach.

All were in favor.

DISCUSSION:

Houser Engineering began the presentation by providing a brief overview of the previous correspondence between the Borough and the State, and the Borough's attempt to obtain permission to use the lands between the Colesville Reservoir and Lake Rutherford for the new transmission main.

It was pointed out that plans detailing the proposed waterline's preliminary location were provided to the Natural and Historic Resources (NHR) and the State Agricultural Development Committee (SADC) in October of 2017. Following that plan submission, a response was received from NHR in January 2018 requesting a meeting to review the plans and discuss additional information required to continue a previously initiated Land Management Review.

Subsequently a meeting was held February 8 with NHR, SADC and members of other relevant environmental departments, it was agreed that the Borough would provide additional information regarding the proposed waterline in GIS format, as well as a written description of the geotechnical borings required to finalize the proposed alignment. That information was provided in early March and Houser continued their presentation by reviewing the GIS file

with the Borough Council.

After reviewing the alignment, a discussion of the estimated timeline for construction was discussed to hopefully begin April 2019. Houser then provided a review of previously considered alternatives, and the history of how the Borough agreed on the solution to the turbidity issue of relocating the water treatment plant's raw water intake

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further items for discussion by the Mayor and Council, Mr. Poggi made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Motion seconded by Mrs. Masson.

All were in favor.

Katherine Little, Mayor

Antoinette Smith, Acting Clerk

Date Approved: May 1, 2018