

# **Willingboro Municipal Utilities Authority**

## **Reorganization Meeting Minutes**

### **February 1, 2023**

The 2023 Annual Reorganization meeting of the Willingboro Municipal Utilities Authority was held on February 1, 2023, via Zoom Webinar. Board Secretary, Sharon Anderson, called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM and requested that everyone pledge allegiance to the flag.

#### ***Open Public Meetings Act Reading***

The Secretary read:

Public notice of the meeting, pursuant to the Open Public Meetings Act, has been given by the Authority in the following manner:

- A. Posting written notice on the official bulletin board of the Authority building.
- B. Mailing written notice to the Municipal Clerks of Willingboro and Westampton Townships; the Secretary of the Edgewater Park Sewerage Authority and the Executive Director of the Mount Laurel Township Municipal Utilities Authority.
- C. Publishing a Public Notice in the Burlington County Times and Courier-Post.
- D. This public announcement is to be entered into the minutes of this meeting.

#### ***Board of Commissioners Statement Regarding Well 5A PFOS Status***

The Secretary read:

In compliance with the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection Agency, the WMUA is obligated to send their customers frequent notification regarding the same November, 2021 incident, previously reported.

The notices received are only for the status at that time and not the current status since that incident.

Since the latest notification, there has been no additional findings of PFOS contamination above the New Jersey Maximum Contaminant level in the water being delivered to customers.

#### ***Recognition of Willingboro Township Resolution 2023-28***

The Secretary read:

See Attachment A

#### ***Administration of the Oath of Allegiance***

The Secretary administered the oath of allegiance to James S. Boyer as newly appointed Commissioner for February 1, 2023 through January 31, 2028; to William Weston as newly appointed Alternative Commissioner, #1, and to Diallyo Diggs as newly appointed Alternative Commissioner #2.

### **Roll Call**

The Board Secretary called the Roll. All Commissioners and Alternates were in attendance. Commissioner Carl Turner; Commissioner Darvis Holley; Commissioner Pat Lindsay-Harvey; Commissioner Kevin McIntosh; Commissioner James S. Boyer; Commissioner Alternate #1, William Weston; Commissioner Alternate #2, Diallyo H. Diggs.

### **Others Attending as Panelists**

James Mackie, Executive Director  
Sharon Anderson, Board Secretary

Mike Riley, Solicitor  
Ryan Scerbo, Special Solicitor

### **Nominations and Elections**

The Secretary called for **Nominations for Chair of the WMUA**

Cmmr. Carl Turner nominated Cmmr. Patricia Lindsay-Harvey to become Chair. Cmmr. McIntosh seconded the nomination.

Discussion: None

**Roll Call:** Cmmr. Turner: Lindsay-Harvey; Cmmr. Holley: Lindsay-Harvey; Cmmr. Lindsay-Harvey: Lindsay-Harvey; Cmmr. McIntosh: Lindsay-Harvey; Cmmr. Boyer: Lindsay-Harvey; 5 for Lindsay-Harvey 5, 0 for Others. Cmmr. Lindsay-Harvey elected Chair.

Chair Lindsay-Harvey thanked the Commissioners for selecting her to be Chair of the WMUA. She thanked former Chair Turner for his leadership and outgoing Commissioner Webster Evans for his service. She shared the following quote as a sign of what can be expected as she is Chair. It comes from a philosophy from a client who had a very successful international business. The key to his success was simply this:

*To be a good leader, you have to be great follower. As a good leader, you must be willing to be transparent, accountable, an advocate, share information, value opinions, inspire others, solve problems, and find ways to serve better. And as a great follower, you must be willing to impart trust, follow the will of your board, and make decisions together that create a future that you all care about and ultimately is good for the entity, its employees and customers.*

Chair Lindsay-Harvey called for **Nominations for Vice Chair of the WMUA**

Chair Lindsay-Harvey nominated Cmmr. McIntosh. Cmmr. Boyer seconded the nomination.

Discussion: None

**Roll Call:** Cmmr. Turner: McIntosh; Cmmr. Holley: McIntosh; Cmmr. McIntosh: McIntosh; Cmmr. Boyer: McIntosh; Chair Lindsay-Harvey: McIntosh; 5 for McIntosh 5, 0 for Others. Cmmr. McIntosh elected Chair.

Vice Chair McIntosh thanked the Board for their vote of confidence. He said that he is looking forward to assisting the Chair as well as the rest of the Board, working through policies and with Executive Director Mackie.

***Consent Agenda***

**Resolution 2023-02-01-01 Authorizing Professional Services Extension**

**Resolution 2023-02-01-02 Cash Management Plan Fiscal Year 2023, January 1, 2023 To December 31, 2023**

**Resolution 2023-02-01-03 Designating Official Newspapers for the Willingboro Municipal Utilities Authority**

**Resolution 2023-02-01-04 Establishing the Regular Meetings of the Willingboro Municipal Utility Authority**

Moved: Cmmr. Holley                      Seconded: Cmmr. Turner                      Discussion: None

**Roll Call:** Cmmr. Turner: Yes; Cmmr. Holley: Yes; Cmmr. McIntosh: Yes; Cmmr. Boyer: Yes; Chair Lindsay-Harvey: Yes; Yes. 5 affirmative, 0 negative. Motion passed.

***New Business***

**Resolution 2023-02-01-05 Authorizing the Provisional Appointment of Water Treatment Plant Superintendent, CSC #04294**

Moved: Cmmr. McIntosh                      Seconded: Cmmr. Holley

Discussion: ED Mackie reported that Jim Lallo obtained his T-4 license last week which qualifies him for a Superintendent position. Congratulations and great job.

**Roll Call:** Cmmr. Turner: Yes; Cmmr. Holley: Yes; Cmmr. McIntosh: Yes; Cmmr. Boyer: Yes; Chair Lindsay-Harvey: Yes; Yes. 5 affirmative, 0 negative. Motion passed.

***Comments From the Public - None***

***Executive Session – Litigation***

Moved: Cmmr. Holley                      Seconded: Cmmr. Turner                      Discussion: None

**Roll Call:** Cmmr. Turner: Yes; Cmmr. Holley: Yes; Cmmr. McIntosh: Yes; Cmmr. Boyer: Yes; Chair Lindsay-Harvey: Yes; Yes. 5 affirmative, 0 negative. Motion passed.

***Executive Session: 6:16 pm thru 7:25 pm***

**Motion to Exit Executive Session**

Moved: Cmmr. McIntosh                      Seconded: Cmmr. Boyer                      Discussion: None

**Roll Call:** Cmmr. Turner: Yes; Cmmr. Holley: Yes; Cmmr. McIntosh: Yes; Cmmr. Boyer: Yes; Chair Lindsay-Harvey: Yes; Yes. 5 affirmative, 0 negative. Motion passed.

***Commissioner Comments***

Cmmr. Diggs: Hope to add value for the Board doing positive things for the residents.

Cmmr. Weston: Thank you for the public who may be in the meeting. Congratulations to Cmmr. Boyer and Diggs, and to employee, Jim Lallo. As we address staffing, I look forward to build our WMUA



infrastructure, that we will be more communicative offering transparency to the public while improving WMUA.

Cmmr. Boyer: Congratulations, Cmmr. Diggs, Cmmr. Weston, and employee Jim Lallo. I am honored to be moved up. I am committed to doing a good job helping to make the WMUA top notch in country. Thank you to all here.

Cmmr. Holley: Thank you to residents for attending. Congratulations Cmmr. Diggs, Cmmr. Weston, and employee Jim Lallo. Congratulation to Cmmr. Lindsay-Harvey and Cmmr. McIntosh as they assume the leadership of the WMUA. I look forward to working together.

Cmmr. Turner: Thank you to former Commissioner Evans. Welcome Cmmr. Diggs. Congratulations Cmmr. Weston and Cmmr. Boyer. Congratulations to Jim Lallo for passing test and promo. I congratulate and pledge support to Chair Lindsay-Harvey and Vice Chair McIntosh.

Vice Chair McIntosh: Thank you to the Board for election to the Vice Chair. Looking to doing the best we can as an organization. Congratulations Cmmr. Diggs, Cmmr. Boyer, and employee Jim Lallo. I believe we are moving in the right direction to overcome challenges. There are good jobs available. Thank you to outgoing Cmmr. Webster Evans.

Chair Lindsay-Harvey: Thank you to the public for coming to this Reorganization meeting. Congratulations Cmmr. Weston and Cmmr. Boyer. Welcome Cmmr. Diggs. Great job, Jim Lallo on passing the T-4 test. I look forward to creating a roadmap for our Executive Director that includes a specific plan with goals and objectives. To that end, I call for a Board Retreat to be held from 9am-1pm or 10am-2pm on last Saturday of February, the 25<sup>th</sup>. Commissioners, please plan to attend.

### ***Motion to Adjourn***

Moved: Cmmr. Holley                      Seconded: Cmmr. Boyer                      Discussion: None

**Voice vote:** Unanimous.

### ***Meeting Adjourned 7:34 pm***

### **Certification of Minutes**

I hereby certify the above to be a true and correct copy of the approved Minutes of the February 1, 2023, Annual Reorganization Meeting of the Willingboro Municipal Utilities Authority.



Sharon L. Anderson  
Secretary to the Board

APPROVED BY THE BOARD: 2/15/23

**RESOLUTION 2023- 28**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WILLINGBORO PROVIDING FOR THE APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS OF THE WILLINGBORO MUNICIPAL UTILITIES AUTHORITY**

**WHEREAS**, the Township Council is authorized to appoint Members and Alternate Members of the WMUA, in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40:14B-4, et seq., and Willingboro Township Code Section 12-15; and

**WHEREAS**, it has been determined that a vacancy exists on the Willingboro Municipal Utilities Authority (WMUA) as of 2/1/2023, due to the expiration of the term of member Commissioner Webster Evans; and

**WHEREAS**, Council authorizes the appointment of James Boyer to Commissioner for the term 2/1/2023 – 1/31/2028; and

**WHEREAS**, it has been determined that a vacancy exists on the Willingboro Municipal Utilities Authority (WMUA) as of 2/1/2023, due to the unexpired and reopening term of alternate #1; and

**WHEREAS**, Council authorizes the appointment of William Weston as alternate #1; and

**WHEREAS**, it has been determined that a vacancy exists on the Willingboro Municipal Utilities Authority (WMUA) as of 2/1/2023, due to the unexpired and reopening term of alternate #2; and

**WHEREAS**, Council authorizes the appointment of Diallyo Diggs as alternate #2; and

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Township Council of the Township of Willingboro, assembled in open public session on this 17<sup>th</sup> day of January 2023., that the Township Council approved the above appointments.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that copies of this resolution shall be provided to the appointees and the Willingboro Municipal Utilities Authority for their information and attention.

Member # 3

Councilmember	Motion	2 <sup>nd</sup>	By Name
Councilman Anderson	x		Webster Evans
Councilwoman Perrone		x	Webster Evans
Councilwoman Worthy			James Boyer
Deputy Mayor Whitfield			James Boyer
Mayor McIntosh			James Boyer

**RESOLUTION 2023- 28**


Alternate 1

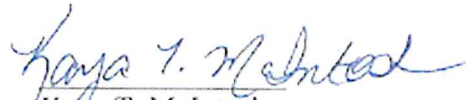
Councilmember	Motion	2 <sup>nd</sup>	By Name
Councilman Anderson	x		Will Weston
Councilwoman Perrone		x	Mattie Mallory
Councilwoman Worthy			Will Weston
Deputy Mayor Whitfield			Will Weston
Mayor McIntosh			Will Weston

Alternate 2

Councilmember	Motion	2 <sup>nd</sup>	By Name
Councilman Anderson	x		abstain
Councilwoman Perrone		x	Mattie Mallory
Councilwoman Worthy			Diallyo Diggs
Deputy Mayor Whitfield			Diallyo Diggs
Mayor McIntosh			Diallyo Diggs

Attest:

  
 Brenda Bligen, MBA  
 Acting Township Clerk

  
 Kaya T. McIntosh  
 Mayor