TOWNSHIP OF NORTH BERGEN
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING
July 29, 2026
1:00P.M.

This special meeting is in compliance with the Open Public Meetings Act. Notice of this Meeting was published on the Township website and posted on the bulletin board at the Township Hall.

MEETING AGENDA

I. Meeting Called to Order
II. Sunshine Law Statement
III. Roll Call
IV. Pledge of Allegiance

A. Resolutions:

1. Adopting the Township of North Bergen Community Energy Plan
2. Awarding a contract for I-Bank Contract 1-Columbia Avenue & 6th Street Road Improvements

B. Ordinance Introduction:

1. ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF NORTH BERGEN, IN THE COUNTY OF HUDSON, NEW JERSEY APPROVING THE FORM AND AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION AND DELIVERY OF A LEASE AGREEMENT WITH THE NORTH BERGEN MUNICIPAL UTILITIES AUTHORITY RELATING TO THE CONVEYANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP COMBINED AND SANITARY SEWER SYSTEM TO THE AUTHORITY

V. Open Public Portion
VI. Adjournment

AGENDA SUBJECT TO ADDITIONS AND/OR DELETIONS

Erin Barillas
Township Clerk

TOWNSHIP OF NORTH BERGEN
COUNTY OF HUDSON
STATE OF NEW JERSEY

RESOLUTION

ADOPTING THE NORTH BERGEN TOWNSHIP COMMUNITY ENERGY PLAN

WHEREAS, by Resolution dated on May 22nd, 2024, the Township of North Bergen applied to the NJ Clean Energy Program Community Energy Planning Grant Program and was subsequently awarded a grant in the amount of $25,000; and,

WHEREAS, the aforementioned plan has been completed by the Township and its energy consultant and submitted to the Township.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Governing Body of the Township of North Bergen, County of Hudson, and State of New Jersey hereby adopts the Township of North Bergen Community Energy Plan.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the appropriate Township officials are hereby authorized and directed to submit the Community Energy Plan to the NJBPU.

July 29th , 2026

	YES	NO	NOT VOTING
Cabrera	✓		
Pascual	✓		
Rodriguez	✓		
Vainieri	✓		
Sacco	✓		
(President)			

I HEREBY CERTIFY the foregoing to be a True and Correct copy of Resolution passed and adopted by the Board of Commissioners of the Township of North Bergen in the County of Hudson, in the State of New Jersey, at a meeting held on the above date.

Township Clerk

TOWNSHIP OF NORTH BERGEN

RESOLUTION AWARDING CONTRACT FOR
I BANK CONTRACT 1- COLUMBIA AVENUE & 6TH STREET
ROAD IMPROVEMENTS

WHEREAS, on July 22, 2026, the Purchasing Agent for the Township of North Bergen received the following bids for the I Bank Contract 1- Columbia Ave. & 6th Street Road Improvements:

BIDDER	BID AMOUNT
Your Way Construction Inc.	$ 769,359.35
4 Clean Up Inc.	$ 787,741.30
DLS Contracting Inc.	$ 791,643.50
Frank Macchione Construction Inc.	$ 855,656.27

WHEREAS, the Purchasing Agent and Township Engineer have recommended that the contract be awarded to Your Way Construction, Inc., and the Township Attorney has reviewed that bid submission by Your Way Construction, Inc, and found it to be legally satisfactory and the lowest responsible bid; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Finance Officer has certified that there is available sufficient legally appropriated funds for this contract award.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Commissioners of the Township of North Bergen in the County of Hudson that:

1. The aforesaid recitals are incorporated herein as though fully set forth at length.

2. The contract for the I Bank Contract 1- Columbia Avenue & 6th Street Roadway Improvements be and is hereby awarded to Your Way Construction, Inc., in the total amount of $769,359.35.

3. The Mayor, Township Administrator, Chief Financial Officer, Township Attorney, Township Clerk, Purchasing Agent, Township Engineer and any other necessary official, officer or employee of the Township be and they are hereby authorized to execute any and all documents and to take any and all actions necessary to effectuate the purposes of this Resolution, including the preparation of a contract consistent with this Resolution.

Dated: July 29, 2026

	YES	NO	NOT VOTING
Cabrera	✓		
Pascual	✓		
Rodriguez	✓		
Vainieri	✓		
Sacco	✓		
(President)			

I HEREBY CERTIFY the foregoing to be a True and Correct copy of Resolution passed and adopted by the Board of Commissioners of the Township of North Bergen in the County of Hudson, in the State of New Jersey, at a meeting held on the above date.

Township Clerk

CERTIFICATION OF FUNDS
Acct # C-04-55-118-000-057 0
Contracted Amt $769,359.35
Unit Price Estimate
Date 7/27/26
By Robert J Pittfield
Chief Financial Officer

REMINGTON & VERNICK ENGINEERS
AN ARDURRA COMPANY

One Harmon Plaza, Suite 600
Secaucus, NJ 07094
O: (201) 624-2137
F: (201) 624-2136

July 23, 2026

Janet Castro, Township Administrator
Township of North Bergen
4233 Kennedy Boulevard
North Bergen, New Jersey 07047

Re: Township of North Bergen
I-Bank Contract 1 - Columbia Avenue & 6th Street Roadway Improvements
Recommendation to Award
RVE File No. 0908-T-099
NJTIB Project No. STB0908-001

Dear Ms. Castro,

We have tabulated the bids received on Wednesday, July 22, 2026 with reference to the above-captioned project and find the lowest bidder to be Your Way Construction Inc., 404 Coit Street, Irvington, New Jersey 07111 in the amount of $769,359.35 representing the Base Bid on the quantities for items #1 – 36 inclusive.

A copy of the bid tabulation is enclosed for your review.

Therefore, in accordance with the Local Public Contracts Law, NJSA 40A:11-1 et seq, the contract should be awarded to the lowest responsible bidder, which appears to be Your Way Construction Inc.

This award recommendation is contingent upon review and approval of the bids by the Township Attorney and the availability of funds as certified by the Finance Department.

If you have any questions, please feel free to call our office at (201) 624-2137.

Sincerely,
REMINGTON & VERNICK ENGINEERS, INC.

Donald J. Norbut, PE, PP, CME, CFM
North Bergen Township Engineer

Cc: Robert Pittfield; Thomas Kobin, Esq; Carmen Borrell; John Shaw; Frank Englese; Emil Fuda; Mike DeOrio; Anthony Vainieri; Gretter Hernandez; Mina Eskander, RVE; Joseph Mongelli, RVE;

REMINGTON & VERNICK ENGINEERS

BID TABULATION

PROJECT NAME:
I-BANK CONTRACT 1 - COLUMBIA AVENUE & 6TH STREET ROADWAY IMPROVEMENTS
PROJECT NUMBER:
0908-T-099
CLIENT:
TOWNSHIP OF NORTH BERGEN
BID OPENING DATE
WEDNESDAY, JULY 22, 2026

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BASE BID

#	DESCRIPTION	QUANTITY & UNITS		Your Way Construction Inc. UNIT PRICE	Your Way Construction Inc. TOTAL	4 Clean Up Inc. UNIT PRICE	4 Clean Up Inc. TOTAL	DLS Contracting Inc. UNIT PRICE	DLS Contracting Inc. TOTAL	Frank Macchione Construction Inc. UNIT PRICE	Frank Macchione Construction Inc. TOTAL
1	MOBILIZATION	1	LS	$13,420.00	$13,420.00	$5,000.00	$5,000.00	$3,500.00	$3,500.00	$11,000.00	$11,000.00
2	CLEARING SITE	1	LS	$16,474.00	$16,474.00	$40,000.00	$40,000.00	$49,429.00	$49,429.00	$190,000.00	$190,000.00
3	BREAKAWAY BARRICADE	20	UN	$0.01	$0.20	$0.01	$0.20	$1.00	$20.00	$0.01	$0.20
4	DRUM	20	UN	$0.01	$0.20	$0.01	$0.20	$1.00	$20.00	$0.01	$0.20
5	TRAFFIC CONE	50	UN	$0.01	$0.50	$1.00	$50.00	$1.00	$50.00	$0.01	$0.50
6	CONSTRUCTION SIGNS	50	UN	$0.01	$0.50	$1.00	$50.00	$1.00	$50.00	$0.01	$0.50
7	ASPHALT PRICE ADJUSTMENT	1	DOLLAR	$500.00	$500.00	$500.00	$500.00	$500.00	$500.00	$500.00	$500.00
8	FUEL PRICE ADJUSTMENT	1	DOLLAR	$300.00	$300.00	$300.00	$300.00	$300.00	$300.00	$300.00	$300.00
9	HMA MILLING, 3" OR LESS	6600	SY	$4.60	$30,360.00	$7.00	$46,200.00	$5.00	$33,000.00	$3.00	$19,800.00
10	HOT MIX ASPHALT 9.5M64, SURFACE COURSE, 2" THICK	800	TON	$99.40	$79,520.00	$103.00	$82,400.00	$110.00	$88,000.00	$151.00	$120,800.00
11	TACK COAT	990	GAL	$0.01	$9.90	$0.01	$9.90	$3.00	$2,970.00	$0.01	$9.90
12	9" X 18" CONCRETE VERTICAL CURB	2700	LF	$40.10	$108,270.00	$43.75	$118,125.00	$45.00	$121,500.00	$40.00	$108,000.00
13	HOT MIX ASPHALT PAVEMENT REPAIR	610	SY	$60.50	$36,905.00	$22.00	$13,420.00	$40.00	$24,400.00	$0.01	$6.10
14	CONCRETE SIDEWALK, 4" THICK	1600	SY	$103.50	$165,600.00	$113.00	$180,800.00	$100.00	$160,000.00	$90.00	$144,000.00
15	CONCRETE SIDEWALK, REINFORCED, 6" THICK	1800	SY	$128.00	$230,400.00	$128.00	$230,400.00	$103.00	$185,400.00	$92.00	$165,600.00
16	HOT MIX ASPHALT DRIVEWAY, 6" THICK	34	SY	$69.60	$2,366.40	$35.00	$1,190.00	$40.00	$1,360.00	$0.01	$0.34
17	DETECTABLE WARNING SURFACE	80	SF	$21.25	$1,700.00	$53.00	$4,240.00	$250.00	$20,000.00	$45.00	$3,600.00
18	TRAFFIC MARKING LINES, 4" THICK	2714	LF	$1.00	$2,714.00	$1.00	$2,714.00	$1.05	$2,849.70	$1.00	$2,714.00
19	TRAFFIC MARKING LINES, 8" THICK	418	LF	$2.00	$836.00	$2.00	$836.00	$2.10	$877.80	$2.00	$836.00

REMINGTON & VERNICK ENGINEERS

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BASE BID

#	DESCRIPTION	QUANTITY & UNITS		UNIT PRICE	TOTAL	UNIT PRICE	TOTAL	UNIT PRICE	TOTAL	UNIT PRICE	TOTAL
20	TRAFFIC MARKING LINES, 24" THICK	90	LF	$6.00	$540.00	$6.00	$540.00	$7.00	$630.00	$6.00	$540.00
21	TRAFFIC MARKING SYMBOLS	408	SF	$12.00	$4,896.00	$12.00	$4,896.00	$13.00	$5,304.00	$12.00	$4,896.00
22	CURB PAINT	300	LF	$1.50	$450.00	$1.50	$450.00	$1.75	$525.00	$1.50	$450.00
23	SPEED HUMP, COMPLETE, INCLUDING ALL LINE STRIPING AND SIGN	3	UN	$7,940.00	$23,820.00	$4,300.00	$12,900.00	$8,500.00	$25,500.00	$7,500.00	$22,500.00
24	RESET EXISTING CASTINGS	8	UN	$250.00	$2,000.00	$100.00	$800.00	$1.00	$8.00	$0.01	$0.08
25	RESET WATER VALVE BOX	45	UN	$0.01	$0.45	$1.00	$45.00	$10.00	$450.00	$0.01	$0.45
26	RESET GAS VALVE BOX	45	UN	$0.01	$0.45	$1.00	$45.00	$10.00	$450.00	$0.01	$0.45
27	"N-ECO" CURB PIECE	5	UN	$365.00	$1,825.00	$350.00	$1,750.00	$350.00	$1,750.00	$350.00	$1,750.00
28	BICYCLE SAFE GRATE	1	UN	$430.00	$430.00	$400.00	$400.00	$350.00	$350.00	$350.00	$350.00
29	RECONSTRUCTED INLET, TYPE A, USING NEW CASTING	2	UN	$1,368.00	$2,736.00	$1,600.00	$3,200.00	$1,500.00	$3,000.00	$2,500.00	$5,000.00
30	TREE REMOVAL, OVER 12" TO 24" DIAMETER	2	UN	$3,640.00	$7,280.00	$1,500.00	$3,000.00	$2,400.00	$4,800.00	$2,500.00	$5,000.00
31	BLACK PVC COATED CHAIN-LINK FENCE, 4' HIGH, 2" 5 GAUGE	100	LF	$50.00	$5,000.00	$50.00	$5,000.00	$75.00	$7,500.00	$100.00	$10,000.00
32	DECORATIVE FENCE, 4' HIGH	100	LF	$95.00	$9,500.00	$95.00	$9,500.00	$120.00	$12,000.00	$180.00	$18,000.00
33	MODULAR BLOCK WALL	200	SF	$69.25	$13,850.00	$75.00	$15,000.00	$150.00	$30,000.00	$100.00	$20,000.00
34	NO ITEM	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
35	DENSE GRADED AGGREGATE, 6" THICK	115	SY	$18.25	$2,098.75	$12.00	$1,380.00	$10.00	$1,150.00	$0.01	$1.15
36	HOT MIX ASPHALT 19M64, BASE COURSE, 6" THICK	40	TON	$138.90	$5,556.00	$65.00	$2,600.00	$100.00	$4,000.00	$0.01	$0.40
BASE BID SUBTOTAL:					**$769,359.35**		**$787,741.30**		**$791,643.50**		**$855,656.27**

TOWNSHIP OF NORTH BERGEN
HUDSON COUNTY, NEW JERSEY

AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF NORTH BERGEN, IN THE COUNTY OF HUDSON, NEW JERSEY APPROVING THE FORM AND AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION AND DELIVERY OF A LEASE AGREEMENT WITH THE NORTH BERGEN MUNICIPAL UTILITIES AUTHORITY RELATING TO THE CONVEYANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP COMBINED AND SANITARY SEWER SYSTEM TO THE AUTHORITY

WHEREAS, the North Bergen Municipal Utilities Authority (the "Authority") is organized and existing under the Municipal and County Utilities Authorities Law, constituting Chapter 183 of the Laws of 1957 (the "Act") and an ordinance creating the same finally adopted by the Board of Commissioners of the Township of North Bergen, in the County of Hudson, New Jersey (the "Township") on October 15, 1981; and

WHEREAS, the Township currently owns, operates and maintains certain combined sanitary and storm sewer pipes, sanitary only sewer pipes, catch basins, and culverts, which, with the exception and exclusion of certain storm sewer pipes that are only and exclusively storm sewer pipes, is defined as (the "Township System"); and

WHEREAS, in conjunction with owning, operating and maintaining the Township System, the Township employs various personnel, owns various equipment and vehicles, has access to various third-party contractors, and provides various administrative support services, such as purchasing, employee management, police details and vehicle maintenance; and

WHEREAS, the Authority currently provides wastewater collection and treatment services within the Township, and the Authority currently owns various collection pipes, pump stations, a wastewater treatment plant and combined sewer overflow facilities ("the Authority System"), which operates in conjunction with the Township System; and

WHEREAS, the Township System and the Authority System together form the overall sewer system of the Township (the "Sewer System"); and

WHEREAS, the Township has become burdened by the increasing costs associated with operating and maintaining the Township System and has determined that transferring operation of the Township System to the Authority will relieve it of such financial and operational burdens, while enabling the Authority and the Township to realize combined cost and maintenance efficiencies by having the Authority operate the entire Sewer System; and

WHEREAS, the Authority has specific expertise in operating, managing, and maintaining a sewer system; and

WHEREAS, the Authority and the Township have determined it is in their best interests to have the Authority lease the Township System from the Township and assume the responsibility for the operation, maintenance and management of the Township System (the "Project"); and

WHEREAS, the Authority will benefit from assuming responsibility for operating, maintaining and managing the Township System because it allows the Authority access to operate, maintain and manage the entire Sewer System; and

WHEREAS, Section N.J.S.A. 40:14B-48 of the Act, provides that "...any municipality by ordinance of its governing body, or any other person is hereby empowered, without any referendum, to sell, lease, lend, grant or convey to any municipal authority, or to permit any municipal authority to use, maintain or operate as part of the utility system, any real or personal property owned by it, including all or any part of any water supply, water distribution or sewerage facilities, which may be necessary or useful and convenient for the purposes of the municipal authority and accepted by the municipal authority"; and

WHEREAS, Section N.J.S.A. 40:14B-48 of the Act further provides that any such sale, lease, loan, grant, conveyance or permit may be made with or without consideration and for a specified or an unlimited period of time and under any agreement and on any terms and conditions

which may be approved by such municipality and which may be agreed to by the municipal authority in conformity with its contracts with the holders of any bonds; and

WHEREAS, the Public Utilities Law, N.J.S.A. 40:62-1, et seq. (the "Utilities Law"), permits a municipality owning a sewer system to long-term lease such system to a municipal authority; and

WHEREAS, the Township and the Authority have each determined that it will be economical and otherwise advantageous to each of them and the residents and property owners of the Township for the Township to lease the Township System to the Authority and for the Authority to utilize both Authority and Township resources to operate, maintain and manage the Sewer System; and

WHEREAS, the Township and Authority have determined to enter into a lease agreement (the "Lease Agreement") whereby: (1) the Township leases the Township System to the Authority, (2) the Authority operates, maintains and manages the Township System, and (3) the Authority makes lease payments to the Township in exchange for the leasehold interest conveyed by the Township to the Authority in the Township System (the "Lease Payments"); and

WHEREAS, the Authority intends to issue bonds/notes in an amount not to exceed $38,000,000 through the New Jersey Infrastructure Bank to finance the Lease Payments to the Township (the "Bonds");

NOW, THEREFORE, THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE TOWNSHIP OF NORTH BERGEN, IN THE COUNTY OF HUDSON, NEW JERSEY DO ORDAIN, AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The Township is hereby authorized to lease the Township System to the Authority, pursuant to a lease agreement to be entered into by the Township and the Authority.

Section 2. The Lease Agreement (a form of which is attached hereto as Exhibit A), is hereby approved and the Mayor, Administrator and the Chief Financial Officer of the Township (each, an "Authorized Officer") are each hereby severally authorized and directed, upon the satisfaction of all the legal conditions precedent to the execution or acknowledgment and delivery by the Township of the Lease Agreement, and such other agreements, certificates or documents that may be necessary or useful and convenient in connection with the execution of the Lease Agreement or for the Project to be so executed or acknowledged by the Township (collectively, the "Project Documents"), to execute or acknowledge and deliver such Project Documents in substantially the forms on file in the office of the Township Clerk, with such changes thereto as such Authorized Officer, after consultation with counsel to the Township, bond counsel to the Township and other professional advisors to the Township and the Authority (together, the "Consultants"), deems in their discretion to be necessary, desirable or convenient for the execution thereof and to consummate the transactions contemplated hereby, which execution thereof shall conclusively evidence such Authorized Officer's approval of any changes to the forms thereof.

Section 3. The Township Clerk is hereby authorized and directed, upon the execution or acknowledgment of the documents set forth in Section 2 hereof in accordance with Section 2 hereof, to attest to each Authorized Officer's execution or acknowledgment of such documents and is hereby further authorized and directed to thereupon affix the seal of the Township to such documents.

Section 4. Upon the execution or acknowledgment and attestation of and if required, the placing of the seal on the documents set forth in Section 3 hereof as contemplated by Sections 2 and 3 hereof, each Authorized Officer is hereby authorized and directed to (i) deliver the fully executed or acknowledged, attested and sealed documents to the other parties thereto and (ii) perform such other actions as such Authorized Officer deems necessary, desirable or convenient in relation to the execution and delivery thereof.

Section 5. Each Authorized Officer is hereby authorized and directed to execute and deliver any and all documents and instruments and to do and cause to be done any and all acts and things necessary or proper for carrying out the execution and delivery of the Lease Agreement, Project Documents, the undertaking of the Project and all related transactions contemplated by this

ordinance and by the Project Documents and necessary or desirable in connection with the Project and the issuance of the Bonds.

Section 6. The provisions of this ordinance are severable. To the extent any clause, phrase, sentence, paragraph or provision of this ordinance shall be declared invalid, illegal or unconstitutional, the remaining provisions shall continue to be in full force and effect.

Section 7. This ordinance shall take effect 20 days from the time of its final passage pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:74-4.

Introduced: July 29, 2026

Published:

Adopted:

Attest:

	YES	NO	NOT VOTING
Cabrera	✓		
Pascual	✓		
Rodriguez	✓		
Vainieri	✓		
Sacco	✓		
(President)			

I HEREBY CERTIFY THE FOREGOING TO BE A TRUE AND CORRECT COPY OF AN ORDINANCE PASSED AND ADOPTED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE TOWNSHIP OF NORTH BERGEN IN THE COUNTY OF HUDSON, IN THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AT A MEETING HELD ON THE ABOVE DATE.

TOWNSHIP CLERK

EXHIBIT A

Lease Agreement

TOWNSHIP OF NORTH BERGEN

MEETING OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

North Bergen Town Hall

Municipal Chambers

4233 Kennedy Blvd North Bergen, NJ 07047

July 29, 2026

1:00P.M

Call to order: 1:17pm

Present: Mayor Nicholas Sacco, Commission Hugo Cabrera, Commissioner Allen Pascual, Commissioner Claudia Rodriguez, Commissioner Anthony Vainieri

MAYOR SACCO STATED THAT RULES OF DECORUM ARE IN EFFECT, AS ALWAYS.

DURING OPEN PUBLIC PORTION OF THE MEETING, THE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUALS SPOKE:

- **Bo Scannavino 1151 50th Street North Bergen, NJ 07047**
  - Questioned if Mayor Sacco and the Commissioners have read the MUA Lease Agreement? Township Administrator and Township Attorney advised Mr. Scannavino that the Mayor and Commissioners have been fully briefed on the Agreement.
  - Did the Township meet with the MUA?

- **Tommy Teta 901 2nd Avenue North Bergen, NJ 07047**
  - Who will pay the money back?

- **Diana Ortiz 7112 Blvd East North Bergen, NJ 07047**
  - Ms. Ortiz stated she will only speak Spanish during the meeting because majority of residents speak Spanish.
  - Who will pay the 38 million back?

- There needs to be transparency with the residents of North Bergen.

- **Jorge Davila** **9102 2nd Avenue North Bergen, NJ 07047**
  - Mr. Davila stated he has been a resident of North Bergen for over 40 years.
  - Wants to know who will pay for 38 million?

- **Alcides Siri** **6813 Newkirk Avenue North Bergen, NJ 07047**
  - Mr. Siri stated he has been a resident of North Bergen for 38 years.
  - The cost of housing in North Bergen is very high.
  - Residents want to know where the money will be going and about the repayment of 38 million.
  - What is the principal amount?
  - Can the administration guarantee that the residents won't be paying it back in sewer taxes?
- **Jonathan Moya** **1511 72nd Street North Bergen, NJ 07047**
  - Will the taxes go up? Yes or no?
  - Who approved the agreement?
  - What is the total price?

Motion made by Commissioner Cabrera and seconded by Commissioner Pascual to close the public portion of the meeting.

Township Attorney Mr. Tom Kobin responded with the following comments:

- Currently, the MUA operates parts of the Township sewer system and the Township operates other parts of the system, which results in inefficiencies.
- The Township will be transferring the operation and management of the system to the MUA.
- There will be numerous operational and financial efficiencies that will be realized when one public entity takes over the operation and management of the sewer system.
- The Township currently has to constantly pay for emergency repairs to the system, which are expensive.
- When the MUA has control, it will be able to make improvements to the system and lessen costly emergency repairs.
- The MUA will pay the Township not to exceed $38 million for the system.
- The Township has lost millions in state funding, and the payment for the sewer system will allow the Township to continue to provide stable taxes over the next several years, as it has done for decades.
- Based on the sound fiscal status of the MUA, the payment to the Township, which will be spread over 25 or 30 years, will result in no increase or virtually no increase in rates.

Meeting Adjourned: 1:51pm