



**Board of Commissioners**  
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## **THE LAKEWOOD TOWNSHIP MUNICIPAL UTILITIES AUTHORITY**

### **Water and Sewer Connection Fee Hearing**

**January 4, 2022**

- I. Senator Singer opened the hearing at 10:09 A.M. via teleconference.
- II. It was announced that in accordance with Chapter 231, Public Law, adequate notice of this Water and Sewer Connection Fee Hearing was given and that a notice of this scheduled hearing was filed with the Township Clerk and posted in the Municipal Building in a place accessible to the public and was published in the Asbury Park Press on December 2, 2021 and The Tri Town News on December 1, 2021.
- III. **Salute to the Flag**
- IV. **Roll Call of Commissioners**  
On roll call the following Commissioners were present: Mrs. Fish, Mrs. Miller, Mr. Theibault, Mr. S. Flancbaum, Committeeman Lichtenstein and Senator Singer. The following professionals and key personnel were present: Mr. Adam Pfeffer, Esq. and Mr. Gerwin Bauer, Jr. Auditor. Mr. Justin Flancbaum, Executive Director, Mr. Donald Sondak, CFO, Mr. Adam Ponsi, P.E., Mr. Robert Farina, Director of Operations, Mr. Harry Robbins, Operations Manager, and Mr. Kyle Smith, P.E., Consulting Engineer to the Authority.

### **V. Water and Sewer Connection Fee Hearing**

Mr. Pfeffer swore in as an expert witness Mr. Kyle Smith, P.E., and established his identity as a Licensed Engineer in the State of New Jersey. Mr. Smith works for Mott MacDonald as a consulting engineer for the Authority. Mr. Pfeffer asked Mr. Smith if he prepared this year's water and sewer connection fees. Mr. Smith said yes he did. Mr. Pfeffer asked Mr. Smith how he prepared and what information he used to base it on. Mr. Smith said he received information from the Authority's personnel and consultants. Mr. Smith said he received the historical figures on the total invested into the system and calculated the connection fee per State Statute. Mr. Pfeffer asked Mr. Smith if he is of the opinion that the schedule was prepared according to State regulations and generally accepted accounting practices. Mr. Smith said yes. Mr. Pfeffer asked if there were any questions. There were none.

Mr. Pfeffer swore in Mr. Gerwin Bauer as another expert witness and established his identity as a Certified Public Accountant in the State of New Jersey and auditor of the Authority. Mr. Pfeffer asked Mr. Bauer if he had the opportunity to review the data for the proposed Water and Sewer Connection Fees for 2022. Mr. Bauer responded he did. Mr. Bauer said he prepared and provided various data, capital construction costs, improvements, debt service and various other items to the Mott MacDonald for the calculations. Mr. Pfeffer asked Mr. Bauer if the data used for the calculations was provided to him by the Authority. Mr. Bauer said yes, he got the data from the Authority and the Audit. Mr. Pfeffer asked if the rate is in accordance with State regulations and generally accepted accounting practices. Mr. Bauer said yes, it is. Mr. Pfeffer asked if this year

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the rates have increased or decreased. Mr. Bauer said both rates have an increase. Mr. Pfeffer asked if there are any questions. There were none.

**The Chairman Opened the Hearing to the Public**

No response from the public.

**The Chairman Closed the Hearing to the Public.**

**Resolution #22-02 Adoption of Water Connection Fee for 2022.** A **motion** was made by Mrs. Fish and seconded by Mr. S. Flancbaum. On **roll call**, all members present voted, "**Yes**".  
**Adopted.**

**Resolution #22-03 Adoption of Sewer Connection Fee for 2022.** A **motion** was made by Mrs. Fish and seconded by Mr. S. Flancbaum. On **roll call**, all members present voted, "**Yes**".  
**Adopted.**

**VI. ADJOURNMENT**

A **motion** was made by Mr. S. Flancbaum, seconded by Mrs. Fish to adjourn the hearing. On **roll call**, all members present voted, "**Yes**". The hearing was adjourned at 10:16 A.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Robyn Gray,  
Secretary, LTMUA