OLD BRIDGE MUNICIPAL UTILITIES AUTHORITY REORGANIZATION MEETING FEBRUARY 5, 2025

Call to Order:

The Reorganization Meeting of February 5, 2025, was called to order at

11:00 a.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Announcement:

Mr. Blair announced that this meeting is being held in conformance with the Open Public Meetings Act. Notice has been published in the Asbury Park Press on January 19, 2025, and in the Home News Tribune on January 19, 2025. Notice of the meeting has been posted at 15

Throckmorton Lane, Old Bridge; at 71 Boulevard West, Cliffwood Beach;

and on the OBMUA Website at www.obmua.com.

This Public Meeting is being recorded.

Roll Call:

Present:

James Blair

Dr. Anita Greenberg

Frank Weber

Bruce Walker (Called in on phone.)

Edward Casserly Perry Simone

Absent:

Mark Razzoli

Also Present:

Michael Roy, P.E., Executive Director Michelle Smith, Comptroller Mitchell B. Jacobs, Esq.

The meeting was turned over to Attorney Jacobs. He said this is the Authority's Reorganization Meeting which is required by State Statute. The first matter is to hold an election of officers for the One-Year Term Ending January 31, 2026.

Election of Officers of OBMUA – One-Year Term Ending January 31, 2026:

Chairman:

Attorney Jacobs asked if anybody has a nomination for any person to serve as Chairman for the one-year term ending January 31, 2026?

Mr. Weber nominated James Blair for Chairman.

The nomination was seconded by Mr. Casserly.

Attorney Jacobs said we have a motion and a second for Chairman. He asked if there were any other nominations for another Commissioner to serve as Chairman?

Attorney Jacobs said hearing none, we are going to vote on the nomination of James Blair to serve as Charman of the Authority through January 31, 2006.

The roll call vote was as follows:

Ayes:

Greenberg, Blair, Weber, Walker, Casserly

Nays:

None

Absent:

Razzoli

5 Ayes

0 Nays

1 Absent

Vice Chairman:

Attorney Jacobs asked for nominations for Vice Chairman for the coming year?

Dr. Greenberg nominated Frank Weber. It was seconded by Mr. Casserly.

Attorney Jacobs asked if there were any other nominations for Vice Chairman?

There were none.

The roll call vote was as follows:

Ayes:

Greenberg, Blair, Weber, Walker, Casserly

Nays:

None

Absent:

Razzoli

5 Ayes

0 Nays

Secretary:

Attorney Jacobs asked for nominations for Secretary?

Dr. Greenberg nominated Edward Casserly for Secretary.

It was seconded by Mr. Weber.

Attorney Jacobs asked if there were any other nominations.

There were none.

The roll call vote was as follows:

Ayes:

Greenberg, Blair, Weber, Walker, Casserly

Nays:

None

Absent:

Razzoli

5 Ayes

0 Nays

1 Absent

Assistant Secretary:

Attorney Jacobs asked for nominations for the position of Assistant Secretary?

Dr. Greenberg nominated Bruce Walker. It was seconded by

Mr. Weber.

Attorney Jacobs asked if there were any other nominations.

There were none.

The roll call vote was as follows:

Ayes:

Greenberg, Blair, Weber, Walker, Casserly

Nays:

None

Absent:

Razzoli

5 Ayes

0 Nays

Treasurer:

Attorney Jacobs asked for nominations for the position of Treasurer?

Mr. Walker nominated Dr. Greenberg. It was seconded by Mr. Blair.

Attorney Jacobs asked if there were any other nominations.

There were none.

The roll call vote was as follows:

Ayes:

Greenberg, Blair, Weber, Walker, Casserly

Nays:

None

Absent:

Razzoli

5 Ayes

0 Nays

1 Absent

Assistant Treasurer:

Attorney Jacobs asked for nominations for the position of Assistant Treasurer?

Dr. Greenberg nominated Perry Simone for Assistant Treasurer. It was seconded by Mr. Casserly.

Attorney Jacobs asked if there were any other nominations.

There were none.

The roll call vote was as follows:

Ayes:

Greenberg, Blair, Weber, Walker, Casserly

Nays:

None

Absent:

Razzoli

5 Ayes

0 Nays

1 Absent

Attorney Jacobs said Congratulation to all.

Attorney Jacobs said these are Appointments for One-Year Term Ending January 31, 2026:

General Counsel:

Attorney Jacobs said a nomination is needed for the appointment of General Counsel. He said the Committee after reviewing the RFQs has recommended appointing the firm of Cleary Giacobbe Alfieri Jacobs LLC to be the General Counsel of the Authority for a one-year term ending January 31, 2026.

A motion was made by Dr. Greenberg and seconded by Mr. Walker.

The roll call vote was as follows:

Ayes:

Greenberg, Blair, Weber, Walker, Casserly

Nays:

None

Absent:

Razzoli

5 Ayes

0 Nays

1 Absent

Attorney Jacobs said on behalf of his firm, he would like to thank the Commissioners for allowing us to serve as General Counsel for another year. He said it is one of the jobs from my perspective that I like working with everyone here. Attorney Jacobs said it is a pleasure to come to the meetings, as opposed to some clients that you might have.

Dr. Greenberg said we enjoy having you and appreciate your professionalism and expertise.

Special Counsel:

Attorney Jacobs said the next position is for Special Counsel. He said the Committee's recommendation is to appoint Louis E. Granata, Esq. as Special Counsel for the term ending January 31, 2026.

A motion was made by Dr. Greenberg and seconded by Mr. Weber.

The roll call vote was as follows:

Ayes:

Greenberg, Blair, Weber, Walker, Casserly

Nays:

None

Absent:

Razzoli

5 Ayes

0 Nays

1 Absent

Special Litigation Counsel:

Attorney Jacobs said the firm that is recommended is Epstein/Ostrove.

Dr. Greenberg nominated Epstein/Ostrove. It was seconded by Mr. Blair.

The roll call vote was as follows:

Ayes:

Greenberg, Blair, Weber, Walker, Casserly

Nays:

None

Absent:

Razzoli

5 Ayes

0 Nays

1 Absent

Labor Counsel:

Attorney Jacobs said the Committee recommended Cleary Giacobbe Alfieri Jacobs, LLC for the position of Labor Counsel.

Dr. Greenberg nominated Cleary Giacobbe Alfieri Jacobs, LLC for the position of Labor Counsel. It was seconded by Mr. Weber.

The roll call vote was as follows:

Ayes:

Greenberg, Blair, Weber, Walker, Casserly

Nays:

None

Absent:

Razzoli

5 Ayes

0 Nays

1 Absent

Bond Counsel:

Attorney Jacobs said the Committee recommended Gibbons for Bond Counsel for the one-year term ending January 31, 2026.

Dr. Greenberg nominated Gibbons. It was seconded by Mr. Casserly.

The roll call vote was as follows:

Ayes:

Greenberg, Blair, Weber, Walker, Casserly

Nays:

None

Absent:

Razzoli

5 Ayes

0 Nays

1 Absent

Bankruptcy Counsel: Attorney Jacobs said the Committee recommended the firm of Scarinci Hollenbeck for the one-year term ending January 31, 2026.

Dr. Greenberg nominated Scarinci Hollenbeck. It was seconded by Mr. Blair.

The roll call vote was as follows:

Ayes:

Greenberg, Blair, Weber, Walker, Casserly

Nays:

None

Absent:

Razzoli

5 Ayes

0 Nays

1 Absent

Rate Counsel:

Attorney Jacobs said the Committee recommended Rainone Coughlin Minchello for the position of Rate Counsel for the one-year term ending January 31, 2026.

Dr. Greenberg nominated Rainone Coughlin Minchello. It was seconded by Mr. Blair.

The roll call vote was as follows:

Ayes:

Greenberg, Blair, Weber, Walker, Casserly

Nays:

None

Absent:

Razzoli

5 Ayes

0 Nays

Auditor:

Attorney Jacobs said the Committee recommended the firm of

Holman Frenia Allison, P.C. for the one-year term ending January 31,

2026.

Dr. Greenberg nominated Holman, Frenia, Allison, PC. It was seconded

by Mr. Walker.

The roll call vote was as follows:

Ayes

Greenberg, Blair, Weber, Walker, Casserly

Nays:

None

Absent:

Razzoli

5 Ayes

0 Nays

1 Absent

Actuarial:

Attorney Jacobs said the Committee recommended AON for Actuarial

for the term ending January 31, 2026.

Dr. Greenberg nominated AON. It was seconded by Mr. Casserly.

The roll call vote was as follows:

Ayes:

Greenberg, Blair, Weber, Walker, Casserly

Nays:

None

Absent:

Razzoli

5 Ayes

0 Nays

1 Absent

Financial Advisor:

Attorney Jacobs said the Committee recommended Acacia Financial

Group, Inc. for the one-year term ending January 31, 2026.

Dr. Greenberg nominated Acacia Financial Group, Inc. It was seconded

by Mr. Blair.

The roll call vote was as follows:

Ayes:

Greenberg, Blair, Weber, Walker, Casserly

Nays:

None

Absent:

Razzoli

5 Ayes

0 Nays

1 Absent

Training Specialist:

Attorney Jacobs said the Committee recommended Skyline Environmental Inc. for Training Specialist for the one-year ending January 31, 2026.

Dr. Greenberg nominated Skyline Environmental Inc. for Training Specialist. It was seconded by Mr. Casserly.

The roll call vote was as follows:

Ayes:

Greenberg, Blair, Weber, Walker, Casserly

Nays:

None

Absent:

Razzoli

5 Ayes

0 Nays

1 Absent

Computer Maintenance

Specialist:

Attorney Jacobs said the Committee recommend PC Visions for the Computer Maintenance Specialist for the one-year term ending January 31, 2026.

Dr. Greenberg nominated PC Visions. It was seconded by Mr. Blair.

The roll call vote was as follows:

Ayes:

Greenberg, Blair, Weber, Walker, Casserly

Nays:

None

Absent:

Razzoli

5 Ayes

0 Nays

1 Absent

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Insurance Agent/

Property & Casualty: Attorney Jacobs said the Committee recommended Volk Insurance Group

for Insurance Agent/Property & Casualty for the one-year term ending

January 31, 2026.

Dr. Greenberg nominated Volk Insurance Group for Insurance Agent/ Property & Casualty for the one-year term ending January 31, 2026. It was seconded by Mr. Blair.

The roll call vote was as follows:

Ayes:

Greenberg, Blair, Weber, Walker, Casserly

Nays:

None

Absent:

Razzoli

5 Ayes

0 Nays

1 Absent

Insurance Agent/ Health Insurance:

Attorney Jacobs said the Committee recommended Lincoln Risk Management Corporation for Insurance Agent/Health Insurance for the one-year term ending January 31, 2026.

Dr. Greenberg nominated Lincoln Risk Management Corporation for Health Agent/Health Insurance. It was seconded by Mr. Blair.

The roll call vote was as follows:

Ayes:

Greenberg, Blair, Weber, Walker, Casserly

Nays:

None

Absent:

Razzoli

5 Ayes

0 Nays

1 Absent

Consulting Engineer/

Sewer:

Attorney Jacobs said the Committee recommended Alaimo Group for Consulting Engineer – Sewer for the one-year term ending January 31, 2026.

Dr. Greenberg nominated Alaimo Group for Consulting Engineer – Sewer for the one-year term ending January 31, 2026.

It was seconded by Mr. Walker.

The roll call vote was as follows:

Ayes:

Greenberg, Blair, Weber, Walker, Casserly

Nays:

None

Absent:

Razzoli

5 Ayes

0 Nays

1 Absent

Consulting Engineer/

Water:

Attorney Jacobs said the Committee recommended CME Associates for Consulting Engineer – Water for the one-year term ending January 31, 2026.

Mr. Casserly nominated CME Associates for Consulting Engineer – Water for the one-year term ending January 31, 2026.

It was seconded by Dr. Greenberg.

The roll call vote was as follows:

Ayes:

Greenberg, Blair, Weber, Walker, Casserly

Nays:

None

Absent:

Razzoli

5 Ayes

0 Nays

1 Absent

Special Projects -

Sewer:

Attorney Jacobs said the Committee recommended R3M Engineering, Inc. for Special Projects – Sewer for the one-year term ending January 31, 2026.

Dr. Greenberg nominated R3M Engineering, Inc. for Special Projects – Sewer. It was seconded by Mr. Blair.

The roll call vote was as follows:

Ayes:

Greenberg, Blair, Weber, Walker, Casserly

Nays:

None

Absent:

Razzoli

5 Ayes

0 Nays

1 Absent

Rate Expert:

Attorney Jacobs said the Committee recommended Raftelis Financial Consulting for Rate Expert for the one-year term ending January 31, 2026.

Dr. Greenberg nominated Raftelis Financial Consulting for Rate Expert. It was seconded by Mr. Casserly.

The roll call vote was as follows:

Ayes:

Greenberg, Blair, Weber, Walker, Casserly

Nays:

None

Absent:

Razzoli

5 Ayes

0 Nays

1 Absent

Bank Depositories:

Attorney Jacobs said the Committee recommended the following Bank Depositories for the Authority for the one-year term ending January 31, 2026 as follows:

Amboy Bank
Bank of America
Chase Bank
Columbia Bank
Hudson City Savings
Investors Savings
New Jersey Cash Management Fund
Provident Bank
Santander National Bank

Sun National Bank

TD Bank

United Roosevelt Savings Bank

Attorney Jacobs asked if there was any Bank listed that someone would like to remove from the list.

He said hearing none, we will take a collective vote on all of the Financial Institutions that I have called out to be the Bank Depositories for the Authority for the upcoming year.

A motion appointing the above Bank Depositories was made by Dr. Greenberg and seconded by Mr. Blair for the one-year term ending January 31, 2026.

The roll call vote was as follows:

Ayes:

Greenberg, Blair Weber, Walker, Casserly

Nays:

None

Absent:

Razzoli

5 Ayes

0 Nays

1 Absent

Authorized Signatures for

Affirmative Action:

Attorney Jacobs said the next order of business is to designate the Authorized Signatures for Affirmative Action. He said the signatures are:

Michael Roy Michelle Smith

Mr. Casserly made the motion. It was seconded by Mr. Blair.

The roll call vote was as follows:

Ayes:

Greenberg, Blair, Weber, Walker, Casserly

Nays:

None

Absent:

Razzoli

5 Ayes

0 Nays

Certifying Agents:

Attorney Jacobs said appointments for Certifying Agents for the Authority

for the one-year term ending January 31, 2026 are:

Michael Roy Michelle Smith

The motion was made by Dr. Greenberg and seconded by Mr. Casserly.

The roll call vote was as follows:

Ayes:

Greenberg, Blair, Weber, Walker, Casserly

Nays:

None

Absent:

Razzoli

5 Ayes

0 Nays

1 Absent

Authorized Signature for

DEP Documents:

Attorney Jacobs said Authorized Signature for the DEP Documents

for the year ending January 31, 2026 are:

Michael Roy

Alessandro Sestito

A motion was made by Dr. Greenberg and seconded by Mr. Casserly.

The roll call vote was as follows:

Ayes:

Greenberg, Blair, Weber, Walker, Casserly

Nays:

None

Absent:

Razzoli

5 Ayes

0 Nays

Authorized Signatures for

Operating Checks:

Attorney Jacobs said the Authorized Signatures for Operating

Checks for the year ending January 31, 2026 are:

James Blair, Chairman Anita Greenberg, Treasurer

Michael Roy, P.E., Executive Director

A motion was made by Mr. Casserly and seconded by Dr. Greenberg.

The roll call vote was as follows:

Ayes:

Greenberg, Blair, Weber, Walker, Casserly

Nays:

None

Absent:

Razzoli

5 Ayes

0 Nays

1 Absent

Authorized Signature for

Payroll Checks:

Attorney Jacobs said the Authorized Signature for Payroll Checks for the

year ending January 31, 2026 is:

Michael Roy, P.E., Executive Director

A motion was made by Dr. Greenberg and seconded by Mr. Blair.

The roll call vote was as follows:

Ayes:

Greenberg, Blair, Weber, Walker, Casserly

Nays:

None

Absent:

Razzoli

5 Ayes

0 Nays

Transactions Utilizing Electronic Funds Transfer

Technologies:

Attorney Jacobs said the following will be named as Initiators for Transactions Utilizing Electronic Funds Transfer Technologies:

Initiators: Colleen Mulvey – Accounts Payable Robin Brooksbank – Payroll

Jenny Cox - Payroll

A motion was made by Dr. Greenberg and seconded by Mr. Casserly.

The roll call vote was as follows:

Ayes:

Greenberg, Blair, Weber, Walker, Casserly

Nays:

None

Absent:

Razzoli

5 Ayes

0 Nays

1 Absent

Attorney Jacobs said to Michelle Smith while those three people are Initiators, meaning they can initiate the electronic transfer, but would still need your authorization to do that?

Mrs. Smith said that is right.

Attorney Jacobs said the next appointment is authorizing Michelle Smith to be the sole Authorizer of Electronic Funds Transfers.

A motion was made by Dr. Greenberg and seconded by Mr. Casserly.

The roll call vote was as follows:

Ayes:

Greenberg, Blair, Weber, Walker, Casserly

Nays:

None

Absent:

Razzoli

5 Ayes

0 Nays

Attorney Jacobs said a Backup to Authorizer is needed and that person will be Jessica Sangiorgio.

The motion was made by Dr. Greenberg and seconded by Mr. Blair.

The roll call vote was as follows:

Ayes:

Greenberg, Blair, Weber, Walker, Casserly

Nays:

None

Absent:

Razzoli

5 Ayes

0 Nays

1 Absent

Attorney Jacobs said the next position is for the PERS Certifying Officer. The person being appointed is Robin Brooksbank.

A motion appointing Robin Brooksbank as PERS Certifying Officer was made by Dr. Greenberg and seconded by Mr. Blair.

The roll call vote was as follows:

Ayes:

Greenberg, Blair, Weber, Walker, Casserly

Nays:

None

Absent:

Razzoli

5 Ayes

0 Nays

1 Absent

Attorney Jacobs said a PERS Supervising Certifying Officer has to be appointed. He said that will be Michelle Smith.

A motion appointing Michelle Smith as PERS Supervising Certifying Officer was made by Dr. Greenberg and seconded by Mr. Casserly.

The roll call vote was s follows:

Ayes:

Greenberg, Blair, Weber, Walker, Casserly

Nays:

None

Absent:

Razzoli

5 Ayes

0 Nays

1 Absent

Newspapers:

Attorney Jacobs said the following newspapers will be the official newspapers for publications by the Authority:

Home News Tribune Asbury Park Press The Star Leger

Attorney Jacobs said when I say newspaper it also refers to electronic form. It does not have to be printed. He said The Star Ledger is no longer going to be printing, but is still considered a newspaper for the purposes of publication.

A motion was made by Dr. Greenberg and seconded by Mr. Casserly.

The roll call vote was as follows:

Ayes:

Greenberg, Blair, Weber, Walker, Casserly

Nays:

None

Absent:

Razzoli

5 Ayes

0 Nays

1 Absent

Public Comment:

Attorney Jacobs said the meeting is being opened for public comment. He said is there any member of the public who wishes to make a comment?

Mr. Michael McClelland, CME Associates, thanked the Board for appointing CME Associates for this year and for the many past years.

Mr. Wayne Simpson, Alaimo Associates, thanked the Board for the confidence is us and look forward to working with you again for another year.

Attorney Jacobs said seeing nobody else wishing to speak, he closed the pubic portion.

Attorney Jacobs said we will reopen the meeting. He said does anyone have any old or new business to discuss.

Attorney Jacobs said seeing none, a motion to adjourn is needed.

Adjournment:

A motion to adjourn was made by Dr. Greenberg and seconded by Mr. Weber and seconded by Dr. Greenberg.

The voice vote was as follows:

All Commissioners were in favor.

No Commissioners were opposed.

Chairman Blair thanked the Board for voting for him as Chairman.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:25 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Edward Casserly, Secretary