

**WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP MUNICIPAL UTILITIES
AUTHORITY**

PUBLIC MEETING: August 27, 2019

In accordance with the requirements of the New Jersey Statutes regarding “Open Public Meetings”, notice of public meeting for Fiscal Year 2019-2020 (with time and place of meeting) was legally advertised in the Courier Post and The South Jersey Times.

CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order by Chairman, Rich Silvesti at 6:15 p.m. in the Board Room located at 152 Whitman Drive, Turnersville, New Jersey.

ROLL CALL: Present from the Board was Rich Silvesti, Chairman; Harry Adams, Vice Chairman; Matt Gorman, Secretary/Treasurer; Ray DiNovi, Member; Jack Yerkes, Member; Frank Cianci, Alternate Member and Dawn Passante, Alternate Member. Also present were Angela Grassia, Executive Director; Matt Walker, Assistant Superintendent; Dennis Yoder, Authority Engineer and John Carleton, Authority Solicitor.

Andra Williams, Washington Township Council Member was present tonight.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:

The Board opened the meeting for Public Participation.

Maryanne Novak of 22 Wrenfield Drive was present to discuss the lack of water pressure and intermittent lack of water that will last anywhere from 3 to 15 seconds. Matt Walker has been made aware and is working on a solution.

Paul Molnar from the Whitman Square Swim Club was present tonight for an update of the Authority’s possible relocation and to report that they are repairing or replacing the fence behind the basketball courts.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Harry Adams made a motion to approve the minutes of July 30, 2019. Matt Gorman seconded the motion which was unanimously approved by the Board.

APPROVAL OF CLOSED SESSION MINUTES:

Matt Gorman made a motion to approve the closed session minutes of July 30, 2019. Harry Adams seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved by the Board.

ENGINEER’S REPORT:

MUA Office Project:

A meeting was held with ACP for a proposed American Boulevard parcel purchase. Remington & Vernick Engineers has created several site concepts for ACP review with access on Route 555.

Well 20 Turbidity Improvement Project:

Remington & Vernick Engineer has prepared specifications for well rehabilitation. Bids are scheduled to be received in September.

Blackwood-Barnsboro Road Relocation:

Remington & Vernick Engineers is developing drawings to connect the water main on Egg Harbor Road to the water main on Blackwood-Barnsboro Road. We are also relocating the force main from the Sawyers Creek Pump Station in conjunction with the road realignment project. Constructability and coordination with the County are in progress.

CAPITAL PROJECTS-CONSTRUCTION IN PROGRESS:

Well 10, 11 & 28 High Service Pump Addition:

A contract was awarded to A.C. Schultes in the amount of \$112,000.00. A pre-construction meeting was held in June and submittals are being processed. A revised schedule anticipates construction commencement in September.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT:

John Carleton asked for a closed session to discuss litigation issues.

Three billboards are up and the fourth billboard is being relocated.

ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT:

Matt Gorman moved **RESOLUTION #2019 – 043 APPROVING THE EMERGENCY REPAIR OF 4" SEWER LATERAL AT 2 FOMALHAUT COURT IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$11,000.00.** Ray DiNovi seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved by the Board.

Matt Gorman moved **RESOLUTION #2019 – 044 APPROVING THE EMERGENCY REPAIR OF 7-11 PUMP STATION, INSERTION VALVE ON SEWER FORCE MAIN IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$16,500.00.** Ray DiNovi seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved by the Board.

Matt Gorman moved **RESOLUTION #2019 – 045 APPROVING THE EMERGENCY REPAIR OF THE SEWER LATERAL AT 42 ABBINGTON LANE IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$8,000.00.** Ray DiNovi seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved by the Board.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

ONGOING BUSINESS:

NEW BUSINESS:

Private Water & Sewer Lines:

Frank Cianci asked if there are any private developments where the MUA has taken over ownership of water and sewer lines. The MUA has not and will not according to their Rules and Regulations.

APPROVAL OF BILLS:

Jack Yerkes moved the **PAYROLL FUND RESOLUTION IN THE AMOUNT OF \$147,516.60**. Ray DiNovi seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved by the Board.

Jack Yerkes moved the **OPERATING FUND RESOLUTION IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,398,230.55**. Ray DiNovi seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved by the Board.

Jack Yerkes moved the **ESCROW FUND RESOLUTION IN THE AMOUNT OF \$17,769.27**. DiNovi seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved by the Board.

Jack Yerkes moved the **GENERAL RESERVE FUND RESOLUTION IN THE AMOUNT OF \$13,802.91**. DiNovi seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved by the Board.

RECEIPT AND FILING OF THE MONTHLY BUDGET STATEMENTS: #20-06

Jack Yerkes moved the **RECEIPT AND FILING OF THE MONTHLY BUDGET STATEMENT: #20-06**. Ray DiNovi seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved by the Board.

CLOSED SESSION:

Jack Yerkes moved **RESOLUTION #2019 – 046 TO ENTER INTO A CLOSED SESSION TO DISCUSS LITIGATION ISSUES**. Ray DiNovi seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved by the Board.

ADJOURNMENT:

Since there was no further business to come before the Authority at this time, Ray DiNovi made a motion to adjourn, which was seconded by Harry Adams and then unanimously approved by the Board.

Respectfully submitted

Matt Gorman
Secretary/Treasurer

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