

**WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP MUNICIPAL UTILITIES
AUTHORITY**

PUBLIC MEETING: May 8, 2018

In accordance with the requirements of the New Jersey Statutes regarding “Open Public Meetings”, notice of public meetings for Fiscal Year 2018-2019 (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 the 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 were Rich Silvesti, Chairman; Matt Gorman, Secretary/Treasurer; Ray DiNovi, Member; Jack Yerkes, Member and Frank Cianci, Alternate Member. Also present were Angela Grassia, Executive Director; Matt Mallon, Superintendent; Dennis Yoder, Authority Engineer and Doug Long, Authority Solicitor. Harry Adams, Vice Chairman and Bonnie Vance, Alternate Member were absent.

Frank Cianci would vote in place of Harry Adams.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Frank Cianci made a motion to approve the minutes of April 24, 2018. Matt Gorman seconded the motion which was unanimously approved by the Board with the exception of Ray DiNovi who abstained due to his absence at the last meeting.

ENGINEER’S REPORT:

Kennedy Hospital:

Frank Cianci moved **RESOLUTION #2018 – 043 TO APPROVE FORM C APPLICATION FOR KENNEDY HOSPITAL PATIENT PAVILION AND PARKING STRUCTURE BASED ON THE ENGINEER’S LETTER DATED MAY 2, 2018.** Ray DiNovi seconded the motion which was unanimously approved by the Board.

Water Accountability Act:

Dennis Yoder spoke about the requirements for the Water Accountability Act. Matt Mallon reported that the water main valve operator trailer will be advertised for bid.

SOLICITOR’S REPORT:

RFP – Licensed Operator

Doug Long stated that he will email the final approved draft of the RFP for the Executive Director to advertise. The Board agreed.

He also requested a closed session regarding litigation matters.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT:

Matt Mallon requested a closed session regarding personnel matters.

RECEIPT AND FILING OF THE MONTHLY BUDGET STATEMENTS: #19-3:

Jack Yerkes moved **The Receipt and Filing of the Monthly Budget Statements #19-3**. Matt Gorman seconded the motion which was unanimously approved by the Board.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:

Paul Molnar, representing the Whitman Square Swim Club, was present this evening. He was following up on any new information on the Board's intent regarding the MUA renovation or building. The Board responded that they are exploring options at this point.

Sofia Bennett, a Washington Township elementary student, was present this evening. She expressed interest in the Whitman Square Swim Club by showing the property's boundary lines to the Board members.

Councilman Sean Longfellow was present this evening. A meeting will be coordinated with Township officials and MUA representatives (Rich Silvesti, Jack Yerkes and Doug Long) to discuss the possible MUA site on the Watson Drive property.

Mr. Longfellow also reported that the property zoning of the land behind Verchio's will be discussed at tomorrow night's council meeting. There have been comments and rumors regarding the water supply in this area and asked if an expert would attend. Matt Mallon agreed to attend to answer any questions and provide accurate information regarding this issue.

CLOSED SESSION:

Jack Yerkes moved **RESOLUTION #2018 – 044 TO ENTER INTO A CLOSED SESSION TO DISCUSS MATTERS OF LITIGATION AND PERSONNEL**. Frank Cianci seconded the motion which was unanimously approved by the Board.

After the meeting reconvened, the following resolutions were passed.

Frank Cianci moved **RESOLUTION #2018 – 045 TO APPROVE THE PROMOTION FROM UTILITYMAN III TO THE POSITION OF FOREMAN FOR MIKE MESSINA WITH A SALARY INCREASE FROM \$50,430.00 TO \$58,430.00 EFFECTIVE MAY 14, 2018**. Jack Yerkes seconded the motion which was unanimously approved by the Board.

Frank Cianci moved **RESOLUTION #2018 – 046 TO APPROVE THE PROMOTION FROM UTILITYMAN III – LEVEL II TO SENIOR UTILITYMAN FOR DOUG OLIVER WITH A SALARY INCREASE FROM**

\$58,835.00 TO \$63,037.50 EFFECTIVE MAY 7, 2018. Jack Yerkes seconded the motion which was unanimously approved by the Board.

Frank Cianci moved **RESOLUTION #2018 – 047 TO APPROVE THE PROMOTION FROM REPAIRMAN I TO REPAIRMAN II FOR TIM MURRAY WITH A SALARY INCREASE FROM \$40,974.38 TO \$42,550.31 EFFECTIVE MAY 7, 2018.** Jack Yerkes seconded the motion which was unanimously approved by the Board.

Frank Cianci moved **RESOLUTION #2018 – 048 TO APPROVE THE HIRE OF METER READER/LABORER, JACOB HENDRICKSON WITH A STARTING SALARY OF \$37,500.00 EFFECTIVE MAY 29, 2018.** Jack Yerkes seconded the motion which was unanimously approved by the Board.

Frank Cianci moved **RESOLUTION #2018 – 049 TO APPROVE THE HIRE OF A WATER CONSERVATION OFFICER, NICHOLAS MILIAREISIS WITH A SALARY OF \$12.00 PER HOUR PARTIME, 25 HOURS PER WEEK MAXIMUM EFFECTIVE MAY 9, 2018.** Jack Yerkes seconded the motion which was unanimously approved by the Board.

Jack Yerkes moved **RESOLUTION #2018 – 050 AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO SIGN THE SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT MADE BETWEEN THE WTMUA AND THE UNITED FOOD AND COMMERCIAL WORKERS UNION LOCAL 1360.** Matt Gorman 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, Frank Cianci made a motion to adjourn, which was seconded by Ray DiNovi and then unanimously approved by the Board.

Respectfully Submitted

Matt Gorman
Secretary/Treasurer

Recorded and prepared by Angela Grassia