

**WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP MUNICIPAL UTILITIES  
AUTHORITY**

**PUBLIC MEETING: Tuesday, June 29, 2021**

In accordance with the requirements of the New Jersey Statutes regarding “Open Public Meetings”, notice of public meeting for Fiscal Year 2021-2022 (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; and Dawn Passante, Alternate Member. Also, present were Angela Grassia, Executive Director; Matt Walker, Assistant Superintendent; Dennis Yoder, Authority Engineer and Alysia Remaley, Authority Solicitor. Jack Yerkes and Frank Cianci were absent this evening Dawn Passante will vote in place of Jack Yerkes.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

Matt Gorman made a motion to approve the minutes of May 25, 2021. Dawn Passante seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved by the Board. Ray DiNovi and Harry Adams abstained due to their absence.

**APPROVAL OF SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES:**

Matt Gorman made a motion to approve the special meeting of June 22, 2021. Harry Adams seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved by the Board. Ray DiNovi abstained due to his absence.

**ENGINEER’S REPORT:**

Ray DiNovi moved **RESOLUTION # 2021 – 041 TO AWARD EPA EMERGENCY RESPONSE PLAN ENGINEERING SERVICES TO REMINGTON & VERNICK ENGINEERS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$2,650.00 BASED UPON THEIR PROPOSAL LETTER DATED JUNE 21,2021.** Harry Adams seconded the motion which was unanimously approved by the Board.

Ray DiNovi moved **RESOLUTION # 2021 – 042 TO APPROVE CONTRIBUTION OF \$54,950.00 FOR FRIES MILL ROAD WATER AND SEWER IMPROVEMENTS FROM SHARED COST AGREEMENT WITH FRIES MILL PARTNERS.** Dawn Passante seconded the motion which was unanimously approved by the Board.

**SOLICITOR’S REPORT:**

**ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT:**

Matt Walker asked for a closed session to discuss personnel matters.

Matt Gorman moved **RESOLUTION #2021 – 043 APPROVING THE EMERGENCY REPAIRS AT THE NOB HILL SEWER EASEMENT IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$65,000.00.** Ray DiNovi seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved by the Board.

Matt Gorman moved **RESOLUTION #2021 – 044 APPROVING THE EMERGENCY REPLACEMENT OF LEAKING 8’ x 4” TEE AND 4” GATE VALVE AT THE INTERSECTION OF DELSEA DRIVE AND PARK PLACE BLVD IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$17,500.00.** Ray DiNovi seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved by the Board.

Matt Gorman moved **RESOLUTION #2021 – 045 APPROVING THE EMERGENCY REPAIR OF 4” SEWER LATERAL AT 19 FOMALHAUT COURT INAN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$7,500.00.** Ray DiNovi seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved by the Board.

**EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR’S REPORT:**

Angela Grassia asked for a closed session to discuss personnel matters.

**ONGOING BUSINESS:**

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**APPROVAL OF BILLS:**

Matt Gorman moved **THE PAYROLL FUND RESOLUTION IN THE AMOUNT OF \$239,093.03.** Ray DiNovi seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved by the Board.

Matt Gorman moved **OPERATING FUND RESOLUTION IN THE AMOUNT OF \$228,421.15.** Ray DiNovi seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved by the Board.

Matt Gorman moved **ESCROW FUND RESOLUTION IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,315.32.** Ray DiNovi seconded the motion which was unanimously approved by the Board.

Matt Gorman moved **GENERAL RESERVE FUND RESOLUTION IN THE AMOUNT OF \$164,719.91.** Ray DiNovi seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved by the Board.

**RECEIPT AND FILING OF THE MONTHLY BUDGET STATEMENTS: #22-04:**

Matt Gorman moved **RECEIPT AND FILING OF THE MONTHLY BUDGET STATEMENT #22-04.** Ray DiNovi seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved by the Board.

**PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:**

**CLOSED SESSION:**

Ray DiNovi moved **RESOLUTION #2021 – 046 TO ENTER INTO A CLOSED SESSION TO DISCUSS PERSONNEL MATTERS.** Harry Adams seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved by the Board.

After the meeting had reconvened, Ray DiNovi moved **RESOLUTION #2021 – 047 TO HIRE LOUIS DESANTO AS WATER CONSERVATION OFFICER AT \$12.00 AN HOUR NOT TO EXCEED 25 HOURS A WEEK EFFECTIVE DATE JUNE 30, 2021.** Harry Adams seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved by the Board.

Ray DiNovi moved **RESOLUTION #2021 – 048 TO APPROVE HEALTH BENEFIT DEDUCTIONS THAT NON-UNION EMPLOYEES WILL CONTRIBUTE AT YEAR 2 CONTRIBUTION LEVELS PURSUANT TO CHAPETER 2 AND CHAPTER 78, NO CONTRIBUION WILL BE LESS THAN 1.5% OF SALARY EFFECTIVE JULY 3, 2021.** Harry Adams seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved by the Board.

Ray DiNovi moved **RESOLUTION #2021 – 049 TO APPROVE AN INCREASE IN SALARY FOR JOHNNY PACITTI, FOREMAN, FROM \$71,749.00 TO \$76,500.00 EFFECTIVE JULY 3, 2021.** Harry Adams seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved by the Board.

Ray DiNovi moved **RESOLUTION #2021 – 050 TO APPROVE AN INCREASE IN SALARY FOR MICHAEL MESSINA, FOREMAN, FROM \$70,266.00 TO \$74,500.00 EFFECTIVE JULY 3, 2021.** Harry Adams seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved by the Board.

**PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:** No one was present.

**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 Dawn Passante and then unanimously approved by the Board.

Respectfully submitted

Matt Gorman  
Secretary/Treasurer

Recorded and prepared by Lisa Rotella