

**WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP MUNICIPAL UTILITIES
AUTHORITY**

PUBLIC MEETING: Monday, April 25, 2022 at 6:15 P.M.

In accordance with the requirements of the New Jersey Statutes regarding “Open Public Meetings”, notice of public meeting for Fiscal Year 2022-2023 (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; Dawn Passante, Member; Robert Finnegan, Alternate Member. Also present were Angela Grassia, Executive Director; Matt Walker, Assistant Superintendent; Dennis Yoder, Authority Engineer and Charles Fiore, Authority Solicitor. Angela Donato was absent.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Matt Gorman made a motion to approve the minutes of March 28, 2022. Harry Adams seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved by the board, with the exception of Ray DiNovi who abstained.

APPROVAL OF CLOSED SESSION MINUTES:

Matt Gorman made a motion to approve the closed session minutes of March 28, 2022. Harry Adams seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved by the board, with the exception of Ray DiNovi who abstained.

ENGINEER’S REPORT:

Ray DiNovi moved **RESOLUTION #2022 – 041 TO REJECT ALL BIDS FOR THE MUA OFFICE COMPLEX PROJECT BASED UPON THE ENGINEER’S RECOMMENDATION LETTER DATED APRIL 20, 2022.** Dawn Passante seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved by the board.

Ray DiNovi moved **RESOLUTION #2022 – 042 TO APPOINT ELIZABETH ROGALE TO SIGN PERMIT APPLICATIONS ON BEHALF OF THE MUA FOR 2022-2023 EFFECTIVE MAY 1, 2022.** Harry Adams seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved by the board.

Matt Gorman moved **RESOLUTION #2022 – 043 TO APPROVE THE FORM B-1 APPLICATION FOR DOLLAR GENERAL AT 279 FISH POND ROAD BASED UPON THE ENGINEER’S REVIEW LETTER DATED APRIL 20, 2022.** Dawn Passante seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved by the board.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT:

Ray DiNovi moved **RESOLUTION #2022 – 044 TO APPROVE THE WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP MUA TO AUTHORIZE THE EXECUTION OF A PROJECT LABOR AGREEMENT FOR THE MUA OFFICE COMPLEX TO BE EXECUTED BY THE CHAIRMAN OF THE MUA.** Matt Gorman seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved by the board.

Charles Fiore reported that he has not received a response from Bob Mintz regarding Kennedy/Jefferson.

ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT:

Ray DiNovi moved **RESOLUTION #2022 – 045 APPROVING THE EMERGENCY REPAIR OF SEWER LATERAL AT 131 TRENT ROAD IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$36,000.00.** Harry Adams seconded this motion, which was unanimously approved by the board.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

Matt Gorman moved **RESOLUTION #2022 – 046 TO APPOINT ELIZABETH ROGALE TO SERVE AS THE PUBLIC AGENCY COMPLIANCE OFFICER (PACO) FOR 2022-2023 EFFECTIVE MAY 1, 2022.** Ray DiNovi seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved by the Board.

Matt Gorman moved **RESOLUTION #2022 – 047 TO APPROVE THE CREATION OF A DATA SHARING PROGRAM WITH THE DCA FOR WATER ASSISTANCE.** Ray Dinovi seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved by the Board.

ONGOING BUSINESS:

NEW BUSINESS:

APPROVAL OF BILLS:

Dawn Passante moved **THE PAYROLL FUND RESOLUTION IN THE AMOUNT OF \$170,187.72.** Harry Adams seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved by the board.

Dawn Passante moved **THE OPERATING FUND RESOLUTION FOR 2021 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$45,328.56 AND FOR 2022 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$465,720.10.** Harry Adams seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved by the board.

Dawn Passante moved **THE ESCROW FUND RESOLUTION IN THE AMOUNT OF \$4,122.24.** Harry Adams seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved by the board.

Dawn Passante moved **THE GENERAL RESERVE FUND RESOLUTION IN THE AMOUNT OF \$136,903.95.** Harry Adams seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved by the board.

Dawn Passante moved **BONDING IN THE AMOUNT OF \$23,690.42.** Harry Adams seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved by the board.

RECEIPT AND FILING OF THE MONTHLY BUDGET STATEMENTS: #23-02:

Dawn Passante moved the **RECEIPT AND FILING OF THE MONTHLY BUDGET STATEMENTS #23-02**. Harry Adams seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved by the board.

Angela Grassia explained the new online bill system to the board.

CLOSED SESSION:

Ray Dinovi moved **RESOLUTION #2022 – 048 TO ENTER INTO CLOSED SESSION TO DISCUSS PERSONNEL ISSUES**. Harry Adams seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved by the board.

When the meeting reconvened, Matt Gorman moved **RESOLUTION #2022 – 049 TO APPOINT ELIZABETH ROGALE AS THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR/CFO WITH A SALARY OF \$165,000 WITH A FIVE YEAR CONTRACT EFFECTIVE MAY 1, 2022**. Ray DiNovi seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved by the board.

Matt Gorman moved **RESOLUTION #2022 – 050 TO HAVE A SHARED SERVICE AGREEMENT WITH DEPTFORD INVOLVING ELIZABETH ROGALE FOR \$10,000, WITH A 1 YEAR TERM**. Ray DiNovi seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved by the board.

Dawn Passante moved **RESOLUTION #2022 – 051 APPROVING STEVEN CORA TO MOVE FROM REPAIRMAN II TO REPAIRMAN III WITH A SALARY INCREASE FROM \$48, 687.50 TO \$50, 737.50 EFFECTIVE MAY 2, 2022**. Harry seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved by the board.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:

The board opened the meeting for public participation. No one was present this evening.

ADJOURNMENT:

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

Respectfully submitted

Matt Gorman
Secretary/Treasurer

Recorded and Prepared by Jennifer Rotella