

**WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP MUNICIPAL UTILITIES
AUTHORITY**

PUBLIC MEETING: Monday, June 27, 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; Ray DiNovi, Member; Angela Melroy, Alternate Member. Also present were Elizabeth Rogale, Executive Director/CFO; Matt Walker, Assistant Superintendent; Dennis Yoder, Authority Engineer and Charles Fiore, Authority Solicitor. Matt Gorman, Dawn Passante, and Robert Finnegan were absent.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Ray DiNovi made a motion to approve the minutes of May 31, 2022. Harry Adams seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved by the board.

APPROVAL OF CLOSED SESSION MINUTES:

Angela Melroy made a motion to approve the closed session minutes of May 31, 2022. Harry Adams seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved by the board.

ENGINEER’S REPORT:

Ray DiNovi moved **RESOLUTION #2022 – 061 TO REJECT ALL BIDS FOR THE MUA OFFICE COMPLEX BASED UPON THE ENGINEER’S BID LETTER DATED JUNE 20, 2022.** Angela Melroy seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved by the board.

Ray DiNovi moved **RESOLUTION #2022 – 062 APPROVING FORM C APPLICATION FOR DOLLAR GENERAL AT 279 FISH POND ROAD BASED UPON THE ENGINEER’S REVIEW LETTER DATED JUNE 20, 2022.** Angela Melroy seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved by the board.

Ray DiNovi moved **RESOLUTION #2022 – 063 APPROVING FORM D FINAL ACCEPTANCE OF THE WATER AND SEWER INFRASTRUCTURE PORTION OF THE COUNTY ROAD REALIGNMENT PROJECT BASED UPON THE ENGINEER’S REVIEW LETTER DATED JUNE 23, 2022.** Harry Adams seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved by the board.

The board was updated on the progress of the new water meter to be installed in the hospital on July 5, 2022.

SOLICITOR’S REPORT:

ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT:

Angela Melroy moved **RESOLUTION #2022 – 064 APPROVING THE EMERGENCY REPAIR OF 4' SEWER FORCE MAIN AT 400 GEORGETOWN RD IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$6,500.00.** Harry Adams seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved by the board.

Matt Walker updated the board on the sewer line repair at the MUA building.

Matt Walker informed the board about the death of the Foreman, Mike Messina. Donations can be made to Fox Chase Cancer Center in his name.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR’S REPORT:

Elizabeth Rogale updated the board on the banking RFPs. Republic Bank asked for an extension and Fulton stated they would waive their fees in the lower volume accounts and reduce their fees in the main account that has the most activity. A comparison between Republic Bank and Fulton Bank will be completed in the future.

She updated the board on the status of the disagreement between the WTMUA and GCUA in regards to the repair they made on their station.

She requested a closed session for personnel matters and contract negotiations.

ONGOING BUSINESS:

Rich Silvesti asked about the status of the billboards.

NEW BUSINESS:

APPROVAL OF BILLS:

Ray DiNovi moved **THE PAYROLL FUND RESOLUTION IN THE AMOUNT OF \$166,225.56.** Angela Melroy seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved by the board.

Ray DiNovi moved **THE OPERATING FUND RESOLUTION FOR 2021 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$196.00 AND FOR 2022 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$209,409.96.** Angela Melroy seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved by the board.

Ray DiNovi moved **THE ESCROW FUND RESOLUTION IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,131.78.** Angela Melroy seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved by the board.

Ray DiNovi moved **THE GENERAL RESERVE FUND RESOLUTION IN THE AMOUNT OF \$2,399.39.** Angela Melroy seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved by the board.

Ray DiNovi moved **BONDING IN THE AMOUNT OF \$16,912.33**. Angela Melroy seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved by the board.

RECEIPT AND FILING OF THE MONTHLY BUDGET STATEMENTS: #23-04:

Ray DiNovi moved the **RECEIPT AND FILING OF THE MONTHLY BUDGET STATEMENTS #23-04**. Harry Adams seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved by the board.

CLOSED SESSION:

Ray DiNovi moved **RESOLUTION #2022 – 065 TO ENTER INTO CLOSED SESSION TO DISCUSS PERSONNEL MATTERS AND CONTRACT NEGOTIATIONS**. Harry Adams seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved by the board.

When the meeting reconvened, Ray DiNovi moved **RESOLUTION #2022 – 066 TO APPROVE THE ACCUMULATED SICK, VACATION, AND PERSONAL TIME THROUGH JULY 16, 2022 PAYABLE TO THE FAMILY OR ESTATE OF MIKE MESSINA AS WELL AS SICK TIME PAYMENT PURSUANT TO THE MUA’S RETIREMENT POLICY**. Angela Melroy seconded this motion, which was unanimously approved by the board.

Angela Melroy moved **RESOLUTION #2022 – 067 TO OBSERVE JUNETEENTH FOR 2022**. Harry Adams 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, Ray DiNovi made a motion to adjourn, which was seconded by Angela Melroy and then unanimously approved by the Board.

Respectfully submitted

Matt Gorman
Secretary/Treasurer

Recorded and Prepared by Jennifer Rotella