

**WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP MUNICIPAL UTILITIES
AUTHORITY**

PUBLIC MEETING: Monday, January 23, 2023 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; Matt Gorman, Secretary/Treasurer; Ray Dinovi, Member; Dawn Passante, Member; Robert Finnegan, Alternate Member and Angela Melroy, Alternate Member. Also present were Elizabeth Rogale, Executive Director/CFO; Dennis Yoder, Authority Engineer and Charles Fiore, Authority Solicitor. Harry Adams was absent due to illness. Robert Finnegan would vote in place of Harry Adams.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Matt Gorman made a motion to approve the minutes of December 28, 2022. Ray Dinovi seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved by the board.

APPROVAL OF CLOSED SESSION MINUTES:

Ray Dinovi made a motion to approve the closed session minutes of December 28, 2022. Robert Finnegan seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved by the board.

ENGINEER’S REPORT:

Matt Gorman moved **RESOLUTION #2022 – 118 AUTHORIZING A WAIVER OF PERFORMANCE AND MAINTENANCE BOND REQUIREMENT FOR A TEMPORARY CLASSROOM UNIT BEING INSTALLED AT HURFFVILLE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL** Dawn Passante seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved by the board.

Ray Dinovi moved **RESOLUTION #2022 – 119 AWARDED CONTRACT FOR THE 2023 GIS MAPPING SERVICE TO REMINGTON AND VERNICK ENGINEERS IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$60,000.00 AS PER THEIR PROPOSAL LETTER DATED JANUARY 10, 2023.** Robert Finnegan seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved by the board.

Matt Gorman moved **RESOLUTION #2022 – 120 APPROVING ENGINEERING SERVICES FOR SERVICE OF WELLS 4 AND 16 WITH REMINGTON AND VERNICK ENGINEERS FOR A COST NOT TO EXCEED \$18,750.00 AS PER THEIR PROPOSAL DATED NOVEMBER 7, 2022.** Robert Finnegan seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved by the board.

Matt Gorman moved **RESOLUTION #2022 – 121 AWARDED CONTRACT FOR WELLS 4 AND 16 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$224,000.00 TO A.C. SCHULTES, INC. AS PER THE ENGINEER’S AWARD LETTER DATED JANUARY 12, 2023.** Robert Finnegan seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved by the board.

Matt Gorman moved **RESOLUTION #2022 – 122 AWARDED CONTRACT FOR TREATMENT PLANT RESIN REMOVAL AT WELLS 10, 11, AND 28 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,260,999.00 TO WATER REMEDIATION TECHNOLOGY, LLC AS PER THE ENGINEER’S AWARD LETTER DATED JANUARY 12, 2023.** Dawn Passante seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved by the board.

Ray Dinovi moved **RESOLUTION #2022 – 123 AWARDED CONTRACT FOR FURNISHING AND INSTALLATION OF THE OFFICE COMPLEX PUMP STATION IN THE AMOUNT OF \$32,790.00 TO C. STEVENSON & SONS, INC. AS PER THE ENGINEER’S AWARD LETTER DATED JANUARY 12, 2023.** Matt Gorman seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved by the board.

Mr. Yoder updated the board on the progress of the MUA Office Complex.

SOLICITOR’S REPORT:

ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT:

Matt Gorman moved **RESOLUTION #2022 – 124 APPROVING THE EMERGENCY REPAIR OF 4” ACP SEWER LATERAL AT 1037 HANCOCK DRIVE IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$12,200.00.** Ray Dinovi seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved by the board.

Matt Gorman moved **RESOLUTION #2022 – 125 APPROVING THE EMERGENCY REPAIR OF 8” CI WATER MAIN AT 2058 BARNSBORO ROAD IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$19,000.00.** Ray Dinovi seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved by the board.

Matt Gorman moved **RESOLUTION #2022 – 126 APPROVING THE EMERGENCY REPAIR OF 8” CI WATER MAIN AT 86 TRENT ROAD IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$7,800.00.** Ray Dinovi seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved by the board.

Matt Gorman moved **RESOLUTION #2022 – 127 APPROVING THE EMERGENCY REPAIR OF 4” SEWER LATERAL AT 20 TIROS AVENUE IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$9,100.00.** Ray Dinovi seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved by the board.

Matt Gorman moved **RESOLUTION #2022 – 128 APPROVING THE EMERGENCY REPAIR OF 4” SEWER LATERAL AT 130 WHITMAN DRIVE IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$9,700.00.** Ray Dinovi seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved by the board.

Matt Gorman moved **RESOLUTION #2022 – 129 APPROVING THE EMERGENCY REPAIR OF 4” SEWER LATERAL AT 27 ALDEN ROAD IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$13,600.00**. Ray Dinovi seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved by the board.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR’S REPORT:

Matt Gorman moved **RESOLUTION #2022 – 130 AUTHORIZING THE SCHEDULING OF A PUBLIC RATE HEARING FOR WATER AND SEWER**

RATE INCREASES. Ray Dinovi seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved by the board.

Matt Gorman moved **RESOLUTION #2022 – 131 APPROVING THE 2023-2024 MEETING SCHEDULE**. Ray Dinovi seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved by the board.

Matt Gorman moved **RESOLUTION #2022 – 132 ADOPTING THE 2023-2024 BUDGET**. Ray Dinovi seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved by the board.

Ms. Rogale requested a closed session to discuss personnel matters.

ONGOING BUSINESS:

NEW BUSINESS:

APPROVAL OF BILLS:

Dawn Passante moved **THE AMENDED DECEMBER 2022 OPERATING FUND RESOLUTION IN THE AMOUNT OF \$395,999.86**. Ray Dinovi seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved by the board.

Dawn Passante moved **THE AMENDED DECEMBER 2022 GENERAL RESERVE FUND RESOLUTION IN THE AMOUNT OF \$13,675.93**. Ray Dinovi seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved by the board.

Dawn Passante moved **THE PAYROLL FUND RESOLUTION IN THE AMOUNT OF \$127,872.09**. Ray Dinovi seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved by the board.

Dawn Passante moved **THE OPERATING FUND RESOLUTION IN THE AMOUNT OF \$277,171.97**. Ray Dinovi seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved by the board.

Dawn Passante moved **THE ESCROW FUND RESOLUTION IN THE AMOUNT OF \$440.00**. Ray Dinovi seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved by the board.

Dawn Passante moved **THE GENERAL RESERVE FUND RESOLUTION IN THE**

AMOUNT OF \$6,317.72. Ray Dinovi seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved by the board.

Dawn Passante moved **THE BONDING FUND RESOLUTION IN THE AMOUNT OF \$3,087.50.** Ray Dinovi seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved by the board.

RECEIPT AND FILING OF THE MONTHLY BUDGET STATEMENTS: #23-11:

Dawn Passante moved the **RECEIPT AND FILING OF THE MONTHLY BUDGET STATEMENTS #23-11.** Matt Gorman seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved by the board.

CLOSED SESSION:

Matt Gorman moved **RESOLUTION #2022 – 133 TO ENTER INTO CLOSED SESSION TO DISCUSS PERSONNEL MATTERS.** Ray Dinovi seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved by the board.

When the meeting reconvened, Matt Gorman moved **RESOLUTION #2022 – 134 APPROVING THE TITLE OF PRINCIPAL ACCOUNT CLERK TO LINDA BROWN WITH A SALARY OF \$60,305.88 EFFECTIVE FEBRUARY 1, 2023.** Ray Dinovi seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved by the board.

Matt Gorman moved **RESOLUTION #2022 – 135 APPROVING THE TITLE OF ACCOUNT CLERK II TO ANGELA MASINO WITH A SALARY OF \$53,844.53 EFFECTIVE FEBRUARY 1, 2023.** Ray Dinovi seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved by the board.

Matt Gorman moved **RESOLUTION #2022 – 136 APPROVING THE TITLE OF FINANCE SPECIALIST TO ASHLEY MALLON WITH A SALARY OF \$48,460.08 EFFECTIVE FEBRUARY 1, 2023.** Ray Dinovi seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved by the board.

Matt Gorman moved **RESOLUTION #2022 – 137 APPROVING A 2.5 PERCENT INCREASE FOR THE NON-UNION AND SUPERVISORY EMPLOYEES EFFECTIVE JANUARY 28, 2023.** Ray Dinovi seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved by the board.

Matt Gorman moved **RESOLUTION #2022 – 138 ADOPTING THE 2023 SALARY RANGES FOR POSITIONS IN THE WTMUA.** Ray Dinovi seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved by the board.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:

The board opened the meeting for public participation. Jack Yerkes commended the board for their hard work and dedication.

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 Robert Finnegan and then unanimously approved by the Board.

Respectfully submitted

Matt Gorman
Secretary/Treasurer

Recorded and Prepared by Jennifer Rotella