
WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP MUA

February 6, 2008

The Regular Meeting of the W.T.M.U.A. was called to order at 7:34 p.m. on February 6, 2008.

Adequate notice of this meeting of the W.T.M.U.A. was given to the Observer Tribune and the Daily Record on February 9, 2007. Notice was also posted on the Municipal Building Bulletin Board.

Members Present: Messrs. Akin, *Strawn, Brackenridge, and *Kuhlthau

Alt. Members Present: Messrs. Kramer, and Cullen

Staff Members Present: E/D Costic, Secretary McLain, and Attorney Gregory

* Mr. Strawn arrived @ 7:50 p.m.

Mr. Kuhlthau left @ 9:37:p.m.

Approved Minutes of the September 5, 2007 Regular Meeting

No action was taken as there were no minutes in the packet.

Approved Minutes of the October 3, 2007 Regular Meeting

Motion was made by Mr. Strawn, and seconded by Mr. Brackenridge that the minutes of the Regular Meeting be approved as presented. Motion was carried by the following vote:

AYES: Messrs.: Akin, Strawn, Brackenridge, Kuhlthau, and Kramer

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

Approved Minutes of the November 7, 2007 Regular Meeting

No action was taken as there were no minutes in the packet.

Approved Minutes of the December 5, 2007 Regular Meeting

No action was taken as there were no minutes in the packet.

Approved Minutes of the January 2, 2008 Regular Meeting

Motion was made by Mr. Strawn, and seconded by Mr. Brackenridge that the minutes of the Regular Meeting be approved as presented. Motion was carried by the following vote:

AYES: Messrs.: Akin, Strawn, Brackenridge, Kuhlthau, and Kramer

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

Approved Minutes of the January 21, 2008 Special Meeting

Motion was made by Mr. Strawn, and seconded by Mr. Brackenridge that the minutes of the Special Meeting be approved as presented. Motion was carried by the following vote:

AYES: Messrs.: Akin, Strawn, Brackenridge, Kuhlthau, and Kramer

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

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Payment of Bills - 1/1/08 - 1/31/08 - Check Register - Attachment "A"

Motion was made by Mr. Strawn, and seconded by Mr. Brackenridge that the payments of bills are approved on the signature of the proper official. Motion was carried by the following vote:

AYES Messrs.: Akin, Strawn, Brackenridge, Kuhlthau, and Kramer
NAYS: None
ABSTAIN: None

Open to the Public

Valley Chapel

Paul Barnish and Jonathan Wort, from Valley View Chapel, spoke to the MUA Committee giving an update of where they are at. Approximate 5 years ago they were given preliminary approval to construct a new larger system. About that time the DEP changed the way they allocated gallonage to churches and we went over 2,000 gallons a day. The church through it would be best for them, the Town and everyone else to hook into the sewerage treatment plant. The sewer line was put in for the high school and there is sufficient capacity at the treatment plant. The sewer line is within 200 feet from the church. The root the church is taking is to hook into the treatment plant. The church cannot continue until the amendment to the Washington Township Wastewater Management Plan is in place. The church is ready to build but we are going for another year extension, the anniversary is March 21, 2008. The lead agency for the WMP is at the County level. The church is in the amendment to the WMP. The certification, which is a list of properties to be serviced by sewer, is preventing the WMP from going to the DEP. Paul J. Costic, WTMUA, and Chris Cook, BOH, are working on getting the certified list of all the properties within the service areas together to be put into the WMP amendment. Chris Cook is the one that has to certify the list.

Cliffside Park Association

Bob Zinckgraf, Enzo DiRe, and David Korn addressed the MUA Committee regarding Cliffside Park. They requested addition time for the residents to move forward with the mortgage notes or up front payment of the loan. The Committee agreed to a 30 day extension with an additional extension if necessary.

Motion was made by Mr. Cullen, and seconded by Mr. Strawn to extend the time to March 15, 2008 for Cliffside Park residents to finalize the mortgage notes or pay the loan amount up front. Motion was carried by the following vote:

AYES Messrs.: Akin, Strawn, Brackenridge, Kuhlthau, and Kramer
NAYS: None
ABSTAIN: None

Closed to the Public

Director's Report

The Executive Director discussed several of the topics covered in his report for January / February 2008.

2008 Rate Schedule

The 2008 Rate Schedule discussed at the January 21, 2008 Special Meeting has been published for public hearing on March 5, 2008.

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Thickener at Long Valley WWTP

Motion was made by Mr. Strawn and seconded by Mr. Brackenridge to cancel the contract with Komline-Sanderson with a terminating fee of \$4,000. Motion was carried by the following vote:

AYES Messrs.: Akin, Strawn, Brackenridge, Kuhlthau, and Kramer
NAYS: None
ABSTAIN: None

Bartley Road Sewer Project

Acting Executive Director, Paul Costic, discussed areas concerning the Bartley Road Pump Station. The pump station is still the responsibility of the West Morris High School, WMHS, however the MUA is involved in the day-to-day operations. There are currently clogging issues with the pumps. New pumps have been recommended. The alarms are not fully functional. Two of the four alarms have been connected to the dialer in order for the MUA operators to be alerted when there is a high water or power failure condition. Also hoists are not set properly to allow removal of pumps for cleaning when clogged. The MUA will not take over the pump station until it is working properly.

Professional Services - Water System Model

This issue was tabled until next month.

Long Valley Well LV 2 & Spring LV 6
Microscopic Particulate Analysis (MPA)

The DEP has noticed us that the Microscopic Particulate Analysis (MPA) test for the Spring facility has been determined to show "ground water under the direct influence of surface water." They are requiring that the facility be updated to provide surface water treatment in 18 months. Alternatives are available, but the 18 month deadline should be met. We are looking into cost on alternatives.

Schooleys's Mountain Water System

Mr. Costic discussed various aspects of the CMX Report.

UBR Vertical Electronic Sounding (VES)

UBR prepared a cost estimate for investigation (lineament analysis) on additional areas to evaluate for fracture tract lineaments. Their fee to conduct this analysis for GIS mapping and providing the MUA with their interpretation and recommendations is \$5,500.

Motion was made by Mr. Strawn, and seconded by Mr. Brackenridge to authorize the Executive Director to execute an agreement with UBR to expand the investigation of the bedrock geology underlying portions of the Schooleys Mountain Water System for a fee of \$5,500. Motion was carried by the following vote:

AYES Messrs.: Akin, Strawn, Brackenridge, Kramer, and Cullen
NAYS: None
ABSTAIN: None

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Old Farmers Road School

Note: Mr. Cullen recused himself from this portion of the meeting.

The MUA Committee discussed a letter from the Washington Township Board of Education dated, January 30, 2008. The BOE is requesting that the MUA install an auxiliary pressure system to allow higher water pressure to the building. An estimated cost is between \$7,500 to \$10,000. Mr. Costic to obtain more information regarding this issue.

There being no further business to be discussed at this meeting the following action was taken.

Motion was made by Mr. Strawn, seconded by Mr. Brackenridge that this meeting be adjourned. Motion was carried by the following vote:

AYES Messrs.: Akin, Strawn, Brackenridge, Kramer, and Cullen
NAYS: None
ABSTAIN: None

Meeting adjourned: 11:05p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Carol A. McLain
Secretary