
WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP MUA

October 1, 2008

The Regular Meeting of the W.T.M.U.A. was called to order at 7:44 p.m. on October 1, 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 8, 2008. Notice was also posted on the Municipal Building Bulletin Board.

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

Members Absent: Messrs. Popper

Alt. Members Absent: Messrs. Kramer

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

* Mr. Cullen arrived @ 8:15 p.m.

Note: David Egarian and John Liu from the firm of D.J. Egarian & Associates, Inc, were in attendance of the regular meeting.

Approved Minutes of the August 6, 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, and Brackenridge

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: Messrs.: Cullen

Approved Minutes of the September 3, 2008 Regular Meeting

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

AYES: Messrs.: Akin, Strawn, and Brackenridge

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: Messrs.: Cullen

Approved Minutes of the September 9, 2008 Special Budget 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, and Brackenridge

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: Messrs.: Cullen

Payment of Bills - 9/1/08 - 9/31/08 - 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, and Cullen

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

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Open to the Public

Frank Speranze of 71 Kim Lane attended the MUA Meeting for a update on the Schooleys Mountain Water System. - Bids are out for the drilling of three wells in the Schooleys Mountain area and due back on October 28th. Bids for the generator @ SM #16, Bristol Terrace are due back on October 16th. We are getting estimates for the Hardey-Cross Model. We have been doing leak detection on the SM water system and repairing leaks as we find them. We are working on scheduling a date to have SCUBA Diving inspection of the High Ridge Storage Tank. The technician has been on site to program the PC in the office and the panels at various location for the Scada System. We plan on having the Scada System up and running soon.

Closed to the Public

Director's Report

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

Philip Lyden Water Bill

Mr. Blount, the Attorney for Philip Lyden of 1 Jordan Court, had requested time to discuss a billing problem with the MUA Board. However, Mr. Blount was not at the meeting. The MUA Committee reviewed and discussed the information generated for this matter. No action was taken at this time, the Committee agreed to continue with tax lien filing.

12 East Mill Road Historic Mill Water Bill

Caryl Brackenridge and Chris Steffan of the Washington Township Land Trust attended the meeting to discuss the high water bill at the Historic Mill. The Land Trust which owns the site is seeking relief from the water bill. The MUA Committee reviewed and discussed the information generated for this matter. No action was taken at this time, deferred until the next meeting.

6 Schooleys Mountain Road, Adjustment of User Fee

Mr. Sims, the owner of 6 Schooleys Mountain Road, has sent a letter requesting a change in the basis for his user fees. The building was converted from residential use (3 apartments) to a commercial use. We do not have the actual square footage of the unit, but it would require 1,500 SF per floor to have the water bill for the commercial equal use the current rate basis (1.5 DU's). The current billings have been at the minimum base rate. No action taken, Executive Director to review current status of the building.

Capital Budget

The MUA Committee briefly discussed the Capital Budget for Fiscal Year 2009. Two Special Meetings for the Budget are scheduled for October 15th and October 22nd @ 7:30 p.m.

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Engineering Consultant

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE AWARD OF A NON-FAIR AND
OPEN CONTRACT FOR ENGINEERING SERVICES**

No. 08-10-A

WHEREAS, the Washington Township Municipal Utilities Authority has a need to acquire Engineering Services as a non-fair and open contract pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 19:44-20.5; and

WHEREAS, the anticipated term of this contract is three months; and

WHEREAS, David J. Egarian, P.E. of D.J. Egarian & Associates, Inc. has submitted a proposal dated June 30, 2008 indicating he will provide the engineering services in accordance with the rates submitted, but verbally amended to reflect a \$250 per meeting rate for attendance of regular monthly WTMUA meetings; and

WHEREAS, said Proposal is satisfactory to the members hereof; and

WHEREAS, David J. Egarian, P.E. has completed and submitted a Business Entity Disclosure Certification which certifies that neither David J. Egarian, P.E. or D.J. Egarian & Associates, Inc. has made any reportable contributions to a political or candidate committee in Township of Washington in the previous year, and that the contract will prohibit neither David J. Egarian, P.E. or D.J. Egarian & Associates, Inc. from making any reportable contributions through the term of the contract; and

WHEREAS, the Local Public Contracts Law (N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq.) requires that the resolution authorizing the award of a contract for "Professional Services" without competitive bids and the contract must be made available for public inspection; and

WHEREAS, funds are available for these purposes.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Washington Township Municipal Utilities Authority:

(1) The Executive Director is hereby authorized and directed to execute a form of professional services contract with David J. Egarian, P.E. of D.J. Egarian & Associates, Inc. for engineering services as approved by our attorney, and to be attached here to as Schedule A.

(2) A copy of this Resolution and the Contract engaging David J. Egarian, P.E. of D.J. Egarian & Associates, Inc. shall be kept on file and available for public inspection at the office of the WTMUA, PO Box 226, 46 East Mill Road, Long Valley, New Jersey.

(3) This contract is made without competitive bidding as a "professional service" in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40:22-5(1)(a) of the Local Public Contracts Law, because it involves the services of recognized professionals.

(4) A notice of this action shall be printed in the Observer Tribune within ten (10) days of the passage of this resolution.

INTRODUCED AND PASSED: October 1, 2008

Motion was made by Mr. Strawn, and seconded by Mr. Brackenridge that the foregoing resolution be approved as amended. Motion was carried by the following Roll Call Vote:

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

Closed Session

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TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON

MORRIS COUNTY

RESOLUTION

WTMUA

No. 10-08-B

BE IT RESOLVED by the Washington Township Municipal Utilities Authority, in the County of Morris and State of New Jersey, as follows:

WHEREAS, it is necessary for the Washington Township Municipal Utilities Authority to discuss a matter relating to **Personnel** which matter is permitted by Section 7.6 of the Open Public Meetings Act (Chapter 231 of the Public Laws of the State of New Jersey for 1975) to be discussed in closed session in the absence of the Public; and

WHEREAS, the Washington Township Municipal Utilities Authority has determined that it is necessary in the public interest that the matter in fact be discussed in closed session, and has estimated that, as nearly as can be ascertained, the results of the discussion can be disclosed to the public at the following time and under the following circumstances: the matter will be disclosed to the public when formally acted upon.

NOW, THEREFORE, it is resolved that the public be excluded from the closed portion of this meeting, during which only the aforesated matter will be discussed.

DATED: October 1, 2008

Motion was made by Mr. Strawn, and seconded by Mr. Brackenridge that the foregoing resolution be approved. Motion was carried by the following Roll Call Vote:

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

Motion was made by Mr. Strawn, and seconded by Mr. Brackenridge that the closed session portion of this meeting be adjourned.

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

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

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

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

Meeting adjourned: 10:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Carol A. McLain
Secretary

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