
WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP MUA
MINUTES
June 21, 2010

The Regular Meeting of the W.T.M.U.A. was called to order at 7:39 p.m. on June 21, 2010. Adequate notice of this meeting of the W.T.M.U.A. was given to the Observer Tribune and the Hunterdon County Democrat on February 17, 2010. Notice was also posted on the Municipal Building Bulletin Board.

Members Present:	Messrs.	Akin, Strawn*, Napolitano, Peters
Alt. Members Present:	Messrs.	Kramer**
Members Absent:	Messrs.	Cullen
Alt. Members Absent:	Messrs.	Popper
Township Liaison Present:	Messrs.	
Township Liaison Absent:	Messrs.	Harmon

*out at 10:00 pm

**in at 7:58 pm

Staff Members Present: Executive Director (E.D.) Costic, Secretary Waller, Attorney Gregory

Open/closed to Public

There being no public present the meeting was opened to the public and closed to the public at 7:41 pm.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

The Director's Report was reviewed with the following items discussed:

- Audit: Resolution of Certification of FY 2009 Audit Review was signed by those members present and the recommendations were reviewed and the status was provided as follows. Billing reconciliations are now being done. Escrow Deposits reconciliation is on-going. The attorney will advise if there is a statute of limitations on how long the MUA needs to hold onto Escrow deposits. Over expenditure of individual budget line items. Agreed to handle this until the end of year. Segregation of Duties has been taken care of.
- Unaccounted for Water Analysis: Stil working on calculating where the loss is coming from. The compound meter reading issue may have accounted for some of this. The final information may account for some of the water. Inaccurate meters for the water system have been replaced and may account for an over estimate of the amount of water being taken from the ground. Leak identification program is continuing. The updated SCADA system will also help with this program.
- Tanker: The engineer is researching the replacement of the tanker truck at the Spring with tanks to go into the spring house for aesthetics as well as water taste quality. Should be available in one month.
- Grove Street Booster Station: Piping will need to be replaced in 2011 due to age and deterioration to accommodate the added pressure from the addition of a booster station. The DEP has provided a notice of incompleteness and this is being addressed.
- New Wells: Additional testing for iron and manganese is required. This is a three day test versus the 72 hour test which requires two monitoring wells. Recommended going ahead with the 72 hour test for the Scheffler well. A determination of the retesting for iron and manganese in the Smith well was postponed.
- High Ridge Pump Storage DEP Application: Is awaiting review by the Executive Director prior to submission to the DEP.

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WMP

There will be a meeting Wednesday with Township representatives to determine how to proceed. There are three levels to the WMP approval. Level one is the emergency hookups with frontage to the sewer main. About twelve homes were previously approved by the DEP and subsequently one of the locations, Valley View Church, was withdrawn by DEP. Level two is the emergency hookups without frontage to the sewer main. About ten of these homes are in the Highlands area and getting approval is more complicated due to the Highlands restrictions of laying pipe in the area. The third level is the remaining 150 homes.

CLOSED SESSION AT 8:36 PM

RESOLUTION CLOSED SESSION
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No. 10-06-F

WHEREAS, it is necessary for the Washington Township Municipal Utilities Authority to discuss a matter relating to Litigation, Personnel and contract negotiations 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 when formally acted upon.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Washington Township Municipal Utilities Authority, in the County of Morris and State of New Jersey, that the public be excluded from the closed portion of this meeting, during which only the aforesated matter will be discussed.

INTRODUCED AND PASSED: June 21, 2010

Motion was made by Mr. Strawn, and seconded by Mr. Napolitano, to go into Closed Session to discuss Litigation and personnel. Motion was carried by the following vote:

AYES: Messrs.: Akin, Strawn, Napolitano, Peters, Kramer
NAYS: Messrs.: None
ABSTAIN: Messrs.: None

Out of Closed Session: 10:25 PM

Motion was made by Mr. Napolitano, and seconded by Mr. Peters, to adjourn the meeting.

AYES: Messrs: Akin, Napolitano, Peters, Kramer
NAYS: None
ABSTAIN: None

Meeting Adjourned: 10:26 pm

Respectfully submitted,

E. Jill Waller
Secretary