
WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP MUA
Regular Meeting
November 10, 2010

The Regular Meeting of the W.T.M.U.A. was called to order at 7:32 p.m. on November 10, 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 November 4, 2010. Notice was also posted on the Municipal Building Bulletin Board.

Members Present:	Messrs.	Akin, Strawn*, Cullen, Peters
Alt. Members Present:	Messrs.	Kramer
Members Absent:	Messrs.	Napolitano
Alt. Members Absent:	Messrs.	Popper
Township Liaison Present:	Messrs.	
Township Liaison Absent:	Messrs.	Harmon
Staff Members Present:		Executive Director (E.D.) Platt, Secretary Waller, Attorney Reede

*arrived at 7:42 p.m.

MEETING SCHEDULE

RESOLUTION Regular Meeting Schedule

No. 10-11-R1

WHEREAS, Chapter 231 of the Public Laws of the State of New Jersey for 1975, known as and hereinafter designated as the "Open Public Meetings Act", requires notification of meetings of public bodies as set forth therein; and

WHEREAS, the dates of two previously scheduled and noticed meetings need to be changed to ensure sufficient member attendance for a quorum.

BE IT RESOLVED that the following changes to the regular meeting schedule of the Washington Township Municipal Utilities Authority shall be made as follows:

1. The November 3, 2010 and November 15, 2010 meetings are hereby cancelled.
2. Public meetings of the WTMUA are hereby scheduled on November 10, 2010 and November 22, 2010 at 7:30 PM at the offices of the WTMUA.
3. The revised meeting schedule shall be published as required by law.

INTRODUCED AND PASSED: November 10, 2010

Motion was made by Mr. Peters, and seconded by Mr. Cullen, to approve the regular meeting schedule.

Motion was carried by the following vote:

AYES:	Messrs.:	Akin, Cullen, Peters, Kramer
NAYS:	Messrs.:	None
ABSTAIN:	Messrs.:	None

VOUCHERS APPROVAL

Motion was made by Mr. Cullen, and seconded by Mr. Peters, that the Gregory and Reed invoice dated 9/8/10 for \$7,825.00, the DJ Egarian invoice dated 10/11/10 for \$11,287.50 and the Gregory and Reed invoice dated 10/6/10 for \$11,679.05 be approved for payment. Motion was carried by the following vote:

AYES:	Messrs.:	Akin, Cullen, Peters, Kramer
NAYS:	Messrs.:	None
ABSTAIN:	Messrs.:	None

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BILLING ADJUSTMENTS 9/1/10-9/30/10

Motion was by Mr. Cullen, and seconded by Mr. Peters, that the Billing Adjustments for September 2010 to be approved as presented. Motion was carried by the following vote:

AYES: Messrs.: Akin, Cullen, Peters, Kramer
NAYS: Messrs.: None
ABSTAIN: Messrs.: None

PAYMENT OF BILLS – 10/1/10-10/31/10

Motion was made by Mr. Strawn, and seconded by Mr. Cullen, that the payments of bills be approved and authorized by the signature of the proper official. Motion was carried by the following vote:

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

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

- S. Kohn, President of the Cliffside Associate, spoke with F. Platt requesting help for the Cliffside water system. It was agreed that the MUA does not have the resources to assist at this time. F. Platt will reach out to the Mayor to discuss how to get Cliffside the help they need. J. Gregory will review if the Escrow Agreement was ever completed.
- The Highlands Council provided a disk with WMP mapping. The MUA does not have the software to open it. The Highlands Council is sending additional files.
- F. Platt is working with C. Cooke at the Health Department to send sewer hook up notices to the properties that were approved for Sewer hook up by the DEP.
- It was agreed that the Connection Fee analysis needs to be addressed.

CHECKBOOK REGISTER

The Geosciences bill for Cliffside was questioned. F. Platt will review the invoice to determine if it should be passed on to Cliffside.

WTDPW TRUCK WASH FACILITY

Motion was made by Mr. Strawn, and seconded by Mr. Cullen, to approve the WT DPW Truck Wash Sewer Service Agreement. Motion was carried by the following vote:

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

SEARLES WELL SITE

The Township Committee Meeting is coming up on the Searles' request to enter the Eight Year Preservation Program.

FINANCIALS

The projected year-end numbers were reviewed. A Resolution will be prepared to increase any DCA Budget line items that will be over budget per DCA requirements.

2011 BUDGET

No changes were made to the presented Budget. It was agreed to increase the base rate for water to \$55.00. The remaining tiers will be increased by 2%. J. Waller will revise the rate schedule and Budget accordingly. J. Waller will schedule the Rate Hearing.

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CLOSED SESSION AT 9:02PM

RESOLUTION CLOSED SESSION

No. 10-11-A

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: November 10, 2010

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

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

OUT OF CLOSED – 9:30 PM

Motion was made by Mr. Strawn, and seconded by Mr. Cullen, to adjourn the meeting.

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

Meeting Adjourned: 9:30pm

Respectfully submitted,
E. Jill Waller
Secretary