
WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP MUA
Special Meeting
Closed Session
August 7, 2013

The Closed Session portion of the W.T.M.U.A. Meeting began at: 8:29 pm on August 7, 2013.

Members Present:	Messrs.	Cullen, Napolitano, Akin, Mascott
Alt. Members Present:	Messrs.	Babb
Members Absent:	Messrs.	Popper
Alt. Members Absent:	Messrs.	Kramer
Township Liaison Present:	Messrs.	
Township Liaison Absent:	Messrs.	LiaBraaten
Staff Members Present:		E.D. Pucilowski, Secretary Waller, Attorney Gregory

CLIFFSIDE PARK ASSOCIATES

Cliffside Park's water system is almost done with the upgrades and they would like to begin discussing the operating agreement with the Authority. Upon completion of the upgrades, the system will have two new wells. Neither well will need iron or manganese treatment. The line under the river will need replacing. The system piping is four to five years old and is ductile. The system will need to be evaluated by the Authority's water operator. The need for generators was questioned.

Representatives of Cliffside Park appeared before the WT Planning Board. The Executive Director will request the Minutes from the Meeting.

The following items were discussed and may need to be considered prior to entering into an agreement:

- Repairs will need to be completed by Cliffside Park.
- The system's chlorination paperwork will need to be reviewed.
- Billing will need to be agreed upon as well as the ownership of the meters.
- It is estimated that there may be 37 connections
- It is unknown if there are any private wells in the community.
- An engineer will need to evaluate the system.

The Township has had ongoing concerns about the water system. It was suggested that there is an obligation to the community that may require the Authority to provide operating services.

A letter will be requested from Cliffside Park outlining their needs for an operating agreement. It was also suggested that the DEP be consulted on their expectations from the Authority. The Attorney advised that a commitment was made by the Authority to the USDA when the Authority loaned the residents money to upgrade their system. He also advised that the DEP can legally require the Authority to take over the system although he is not aware of them having implemented this authority.

Motion was made by Mr. Babb, and seconded by Mr. Akin, that the closed session portion of this meeting be adjourned. Motion was carried by the following vote:

AYES:	Messrs.:	Cullen, Napolitano, Akin, Mascott, Babb
NAYS:	Messrs.:	None
ABSTAIN:	Messrs.:	None

Closed meeting adjourned at 8:56 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
E. Jill Waller
Executive Secretary