
WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP MUA
REGULAR MEETING
June 4, 2014

The Regular Meeting of the W.T.M.U.A. was called to order at 7:39 PM on June 4, 2014. Adequate notice of this meeting of the W.T.M.U.A. was given to the Daily Record and the Courier News on February 19, 2014. Notice was also posted on the Municipal Building Bulletin Board.

Members Present: Messrs. Cullen, Napolitano, Akin, Mascott*
Alt. Members Present: Messrs.
Members Absent: Messrs. Popper
Alt. Members Absent: Messrs. Babb, Kramer
Staff Members Present: Executive Director Pucilowski, Secretary Waller, Attorney Manganello

*arrived at 8:08 pm

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SALUTE THE FLAG

APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES

Motion was made by Mr. Akin, and seconded by Mr. Napolitano, to approve 5/7/14 Meeting Minutes. Motion was carried by the following vote:

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

MAY 2014 CHECKBOOK REGISTER

The need to go to bid for the excavation services was discussed.

Motion was made by Mr. Akin, and seconded by Mr. Napolitano, to approve the May 2014 Checkbook Register. Motion was carried by the following vote:

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

APRIL BILLING ADJUSTMENTS

Motion was made by Mr. Napolitano, and seconded by Mr. Akin, to approve the April 2014 Billing Adjustments. Motion was carried by the following vote:

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

VOUCHERS OVER \$5,000

The notification of a service line leak at 67 Ann was discussed. Upon excavation it was determined that there was no leak. The process for locating service leaks was reviewed. The Executive Director will look into this further.

Motion was made by Mr. Akin, and seconded by Mr. Napolitano, that the vouchers for Toby Barkman dated 5/27/14 for \$7,187.82, US Bank dated 6/1/14 for \$7,327.50, DJ Egarian dated 5/7/14 for \$9,481.35, Toby Barkman dated 5/9/14 for \$5,416.45, Gregory and Reed dated 5/7/14 for \$6,544.25 and DeMaio Electric dated 6/4/14 for \$7,702.80 be approved for payment and authorized by the signature of the proper official. Motion was carried by the following vote:

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

FINANCIAL DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

The June 13th deadline was discussed for the Financial Disclosure Statement. An email will be sent to the Board Members as another reminder.

APPLICATION FOR PRIVATE WELL – 240 PARKER RD.

This is not an agricultural request, but there are businesses operating and storing on the property. The commercial rates could apply to this customer. The connection fee will be calculated on the commercial activities. Reviewing the Authority Rules and Regulations definition of Commercial, it was determined that part of the property could be considered Commercial.

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Motion made by Mr. Akin, and seconded by Mr. Napolitano, to deny the application for a private well for 240 Parker Rd. Motion was carried by the following vote:

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

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

- Parker Rd water main extension buildings are close to being completed. Once completed, the connections will be made. The new well will also be brought online prior to the connections. It is expected that the connections could take up to three weeks. The goal will be to connect the largest users first to get the maximum water flow through the pipes.
- The Grove Street Pump Station façade is up. Preliminary costs are available to upgrade the pumps. The original pumps were designed for 82 psi. Currently the pressure is fluctuating between 70 and 82 psi. It was as low as 62 psi at one time only. The outgoing pressure will need to be round 95 psi. The difference between the incoming and outgoing is currently set at 20 psi. The pumps need to be upgraded for a larger differential. The cost is coming in between \$1,400 to \$1,865 dependant on the pressure differential. The larger difference would not be as efficient. Using the two pumps as needed for the differential needs was discussed. This was not recommended by the manufacturer. The concern of the current piping developing leaks under the required pressure was discussed. An air release valve and a hydrant for flushing are included in the system will help with this. Additional costs beyond the noted estimates will be in wiring and labor. The VFD will also need to be replaced. It can be traded into the manufacturer. The pump and motor cannot be traded in. The design did not allow for water pressure in the case of fire.
- The Risk Manager reviewed his concerns with the JIF.
- The SCADA system between the Old Farmers Pump Station and the Long Valley Pump Station to the LVSTP is being installed. The communication is not working and it has been determined that there is a problem with the Healy Ruff system. There was an incident over Memorial Day weekend at the Long Valley Pump Station where both pumps went off line. The alarm system was not working, so there was no notification. On Saturday, a fisherman viewed gray water going into the River. He took a video on Sunday and forwarded it to the Health Dept on Wednesday or Thursday. On Tuesday, the Police were notified of the water coming out of the manhole at the Pump Station. The cottage had sewerage back up into the washing machine, onto the floor and out a sump pump into the River. The DEP was notified of Tuesday's event prior to being aware of the weekend events. Pumping Services is working on putting in temporary alarm dialers that should be installed by Thursday or Friday of this week. The Pump Stations are now currently being checked twice a day. There was a power dip at LV07 and LV08. Next time there is a power dip, the Pump Stations will be checked.
- The Brookside water main replacement design will beginning in June.
- The Bartley connection is setting up a loan to pay for the connection fees. There will be two connection fees. There will be a half EDU added for the usage. The retro will go back to May of 2012 for the carriage house and July 2013 for the main house. The customer claims that it was an oversight between the homeowner and plumber.
- Phosphorus RFP needs to be modified. The option of changing the system completely will be reviewed as well.
- The NJ Water Supply Authority Contact has arrived in the mail. It needs legal review. To discuss next month.
- The water operator was paid from February for the T-1 license. Further discussion will take place on any additional retroactive pay.
- Costs for the Bartley pump station acquisition are being collected. Engineering work is required for the Township to do the subdivision
- Sewer main repairs have taken place in Nestling Woods. Four or five major infiltration leaks were located.
- One of our employees, Dustin, is now the Water Operator at Cliffside Park. This will be helpful in determining what is involved in operating the system. There is no chlorination being done. This arrangement is not connected to the

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Authority in any way. There was a rumor that a private water company was considering taking over the system, but there has been no further information.

- There was a meeting with the DEP and Highlands regarding the application which included a water tank at the new well sight on the Smith property. It was determined that there would be too much impervious coverage. If the tank is removed from the application, this could help to resolve the coverage issue. There is a partial reprieve on our Firm Capacity, since the May 2005 incident is no longer affecting the numbers. The Authority if allowed limited water connections. The Water Allocation will not change.

CLOSED SESSION – 8:50 PM

RESOLUTION CLOSED SESSION

No. 14-06-A

WHEREAS, it is necessary for the Washington Township Municipal Utilities Authority to discuss a matter relating Personnel, Contract Negotiations and attorney client advice 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 4, 2014

Motion was made by Mr. Napolitano, and seconded by Mr. Mascott, to approve Resolution 14-06-E. Motion was carried by the following vote:

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

ADJOURNMENT

Motion was made by Mr. Akin, and seconded by Mr. Napolitano, to adjourn the meeting. Motion was carried by the following vote:

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

Meeting Adjourned: 9:14 PM

Respectfully Submitted,
E. Jill Waller
Secretary