
**WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP MUA
REGULAR MEETING
September 10, 2014**

The Regular Meeting of the W.T.M.U.A. was called to order at 7:36 PM on September 10, 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
Alt. Members Present: Messrs. Kramer, Babb*
Members Absent: Messrs. Popper, Mascott
Alt. Members Absent: Messrs.
Staff Members Present: Executive Director Pucilowski, Attorney Manganello, Executive Secretary Waller

*arrived at 8:45 PM

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SALUTE THE FLAG

APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES

Motion was made by Mr. Napolitano, and seconded by Mr. Kramer, to approve 8/6/14 Meeting Minutes. Motion was carried by the following vote:

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

JULY & AUGUST 2014 CHECKBOOK REGISTER

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

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

JUNE & JULY BILLING ADJUSTMENTS

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

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

VOUCHERS OVER \$5,000

Motion was made by Mr. Akin, and seconded by Mr. Kramer, that the vouchers for Harper Control, dated 7/16/14 for \$12,585.00, Toby Barkman dated 8/9/14 for \$9,371.66 and \$6,256.04, and DeMaio Electric dated 8/29/14 for \$19,363.03 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, Kramer
NAYS: Messrs.: None
ABSTAIN: Messrs.: None

2015 OFFICE HOLIDAY SCHEDULE

It was suggested to switch Election Day in 2015 with January 2, 2015. Motion was made by Mr. Napolitano and seconded by Mr. Akin to adjust the holidays for 2015 to include January 2, 2015 and remove Election Day in 2015. The Motion was carried by the following vote:

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

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2014 AWARDS DINNER

It was agreed to hold the Awards Dinner the weekend before Thanksgiving this year. Motion was made by Mr. Napolitano, and seconded by Mr. Akin to increase the 2014 Employee Award from \$200 to \$250. The Motion was carried by the following vote:

AYES: Messrs.: Cullen, Napolitano, Akin, Kramer

NAYS: Messrs.: None

ABSTAIN: Messrs.: None

CHRISTINE KATTERMANN COMPENSATION

This topic was tabled until the next meeting.

DAVE CARSWELL RETROACTIVE LICENSE COMPENSATION

This topic was tabled until the next meeting.

APPLICATION FOR PRIVATE WELL – 240 PARKER RD

The homeowner contacted Mr. Akin and he summarized their conversation. The conversation centered on the agricultural exemption criteria and the concern about avoiding contaminating the public water supply with the water from the private well. Further discussion was tabled until the next meeting per the homeowner's request.

CLIFFSIDE PARK SALE OF THEIR WATER SYSTEM

A letter was sent to Mayor Short advising of Cliffside's interest in selling their water system. Aqua America is interested in purchasing their water system for \$1,500 per customer for an approximate total of \$50,000. A portion of the sale will be turned over to the USDA to satisfy an outstanding obligation. Additionally the proceeds will go toward satisfying the NJDEP's requirement to re-drill and seal a collapsed community well. The water will be metered by Aqua America. Currently there are no meters on the homes. There are WTMUA loans that have not been paid or have been waived due to bankruptcy. The WTMUA needs to provide their approval for the sale. The WTMUA is will to support the sale of the water system provided that the outstanding mortgage obligations are satisfied. Additional questions will have to be addressed. There is no Agreement as yet for the sale and an official approval by the WTMUA is not required at this time.

LEAK ADJUSTMENT POLICY

This policy has cost the WTMUA a considerable amount in credits to customer water bills. It was agreed to make the following adjustments to the policy:

- One time only adjustment per homeowner with the exception of homes with a pit meter at the end of the property
- Increase percentage of usage adjustment
- No credits will be provided until the meter is changed to a radio read meter
- Credits will be provided for one quarter only. If the leak goes into more than one quarter, the highest quarter will be adjusted

A Resolution will be presented at the next meeting.

NEW WELL ON SMITH PROPERTY

This topic will be covered in Closed Session

PARKER RD WATER MAIN EXTENSION RE-CHLORINATION BUILDING

A summary of the location of the re-chlorination building was reviewed for Commissioners that missed prior discussions. This has not been discussed with Chester and was tabled until next meeting.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

- The EPA is working on finishing the Booster Station and the pipe going up to the tank. By the end of September beginning of October the majority of the work should be completed.
- Grove Street Booster Station is operational. Next Monday a pressure release valve and flushing hydrant will be connected. Once done, the tanker will be disconnected and removed. The well will be capped. The reservoir lid and concrete wall will be removed.
- The NJ Water Supply contract changes were submitted. The changes have not been commented on as yet.
- The draft of the LVSTP Collection manual was submitted to NJDEP. There has not been an official response.
- Reminder that the day after Christmas will replace Election Day for 2014.

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- The new credit card merchant vendor is up and running. VISA is now being accepted. The customers now need to be notified.
- Bartley Rd construction begins tomorrow for 10-15 days.
- North Maple Ave paving estimates are being requested due to customer request to resurface the right of way due to pipe repairs from prior years.
- The ED needs to meet with the Washington Township Engineer to review Christian acquisition of a portion of Bartley Rd Pump Station property.
- No time savings would incur if all employees were to have direct deposit of pay checks.

CLOSED SESSION – 9:18 PM

RESOLUTION CLOSED SESSION

No. 14-09-B

WHEREAS, it is necessary for the Washington Township Municipal Utilities Authority to discuss a matter relating to contract negotiations which 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 aforestated matter will be discussed.

INTRODUCED AND PASSED: September 10, 2014

Motion was made by Mr. Babb, and seconded by Mr. Akin, to approve Resolution 14-09-B. Motion was carried by the following vote:

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

ADJOURNMENT

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

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

Meeting Adjourned: 9:37 PM

Respectfully Submitted,
E. Jill Waller
Secretary