# WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP MUA Regular Meeting

September 3, 2025

The Regular Meeting of the W.T.M.U.A. was called to order at 7:31 pm on September 03, 2025. Adequate notice of this meeting of the W.T.M.U.A. was given to the Daily Record and the Courier News February 5, 2025. Notice was also posted on the Municipal Building Bulletin Board.

This is a remotely accessible public meeting that is being recorded. Members of the public wishing to comment during the public portion of meetings or during a public hearing may type in the Google Meet chat function that they have a comment or unmute their microphone and state that they have a comment. Public comment is limited to three minutes. A representative of the Authority ("Facilitator") will keep members of the public muted, except when they are selected to speak during the public portion of the meeting or during any public hearing. Members of the public may mute and unmute themselves by pressing the microphone button on Google Meet or pressing \*6 on the telephone keypad. Members of the public may also discontinue their video through the "Google Meet" platform.

#### **ROLL CALL:**

Members:	Present	Excused	Absent	Others:	Present	Excused	Absent
Chairman Cullen	Х			WT Liaison Curioni			Х
V Chairman Napolitano	Х			Exec Dir McAndrew	Х		
Drake	Х			Exec Secr Waller	Х		
Sehnal		Х		Attorney Napolitano	Х		
Sparone	Х			-			
Caetano	Х						
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#### REGULAR MEETING

#### **SALUTE THE FLAG**

#### **OPEN TO THE PUBLIC – 7:33PM**

#### **19 THOMAS FARMS**

Customer attended to request auto-pay. It was agreed that the Authority will look into what the costs and time required to implement this.

#### **CLOSED TO THE PUBLIC - 7:48PM**

#### **3 BRIARWOOD ROAD**

Customer's request to waive the bounced check fee was discussed.

Motion was made by Mr. Drake, and seconded by Mr. Caetano, to apply the bounced check fee per the Authority's policy. Motion was carried by the following vote:

AYES: Messrs.: Cullen, Napolitano, Drake, Sparone, Caetano

NAYS: Messrs.: Sparone ABSTAIN: Messrs.: None

#### **BOUNCED CHECK COSTS**

Revising the bounced check policy will be discussed at the next meeting.

#### **APPROVAL OF 05/07/2025 CLOSED; 08/06/2025 OPEN & CLOSED MINUTES**

Motion was made by Mr. Caetano, and seconded by Mr. Drake, to approve the presented minutes. Motion was carried by the following vote:

AYES: Messrs.: Cullen, Napolitano, Drake, Sparone, Caetano

NAYS: Messrs.: None ABSTAIN: Messrs.: None

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#### **AUGUST 2025 CHECKBOOK REGISTER**

Motion was made by Mr. Napolitano, and seconded by Mr. Sparone, to approve the presented checkbook register. Motion was carried by the following vote:

AYES: Messrs.: Cullen, Napolitano, Drake, Sparone, Caetano

NAYS: Messrs.: None ABSTAIN: Messrs.: None

#### **BILLING ADJUSTMENTS – JUNE, JULY, AUGUST 2025**

Tabled until next meeting.

#### **VOUCHERS OVER \$7,950**

Motion was made by Mr. Napolitano, and seconded by Mr. Drake, to approve the following vouchers over \$7,950: Toby Barkman Excavating, Inc., dated 07/26/2025, for \$260,630.07, Toby Barkman Excavating, Inc., dated 08/03/2025, for \$45,669.21. Motion was carried by the following vote:

AYES: Messrs.: Cullen, Napolitano, Drake, Sparone, Caetano

NAYS: Messrs.: None ABSTAIN: Messrs.: None

#### **PURCHASES OVER \$7,950**

Motion made by Mr. Caetano, and seconded by Mr. Sparone, to approve the replacement of SM18 Pump. Motion was carried by the following vote:

AYES: Messrs.: Cullen, Napolitano, Drake, Sparone, Caetano

NAYS: Messrs.: None ABSTAIN: Messrs.: None

#### **COIN ACCEPTANCEY POLICY**

### RESOLUTION ADOPTING COIN PAYMENT ACCEPTANCE POLICY

No. 25-09-A

WHEREAS, the Washington Township Municipal Utilities Authority (the "Authority") desires to adopt a coin payment acceptance policy; and

WHEREAS, from time to time, customers request to make payments to the Authority in coins (i.e. pennies, nickels, dimes, quarters, etc.); and

WHEREAS, the Authority accepts all legal tender pursuant to the U.S. Coinage Act of 1965, which states, in relevant part, that "United States coins and currency (including Federal reserve notes and circulating notes of Federal reserve banks and national banks) are legal tender for all debts, public charges, taxes, and dues. Foreign gold or silver coins are not legal tender for debts." 31 U.S.C. § 5103; and

WHEREAS, in order to maintain efficient operations of the Authority's office staff, the Authority desires to impose a reasonable limitation on payments made with more than 50 unrolled, unwrapped, or otherwise loose coins.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Washington Township Municipal Utilities Authority of the County of Morris, State of New Jersey, that:

- 1. The aforesaid recitals are hereby incorporated by reference, as if set forth at length herein.
- 2. The Authority adopts the following coin payment acceptance policy, which shall be posted in the Authority's offices and/or at check-out counters:

## WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP MUNICIPAL UTILITIES AUTHORITY (MORRIS COUNTY) COIN PAYMENT ACCEPTANCE POLICY

The Authority will <u>not</u> accept more than <u>50</u> unrolled, unwrapped, or otherwise loose coins as payment from a customer on any one business day.

Customers making payments to the Authority in coins shall be <u>required to remain present</u> during the completion of the transaction (i.e. until a receipt is presented). When the quantity of a same coin denomination is sufficient to fill a coin roll, the coins shall be rolled. If rolled/wrapped coins are provided as payment, the Authority will require proper <u>identification to be placed on each roll</u>, including: Name, Property

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Address, and Account Number for which the coin payment is to be applied. A maximum of 20 rolls will be accepted from a customer on any one business day. Customers shall be held responsible for all identified shortages upon payment validation by the Authority's bank.

- 3. A copy of this Resolution shall be made available for public inspection at the Authority's administrative offices.
  - 4. This Resolution shall take effect immediately.

Motion was made by Mr. Napolitano, and seconded by Mr. Caetano, to approve Resolution 25-09-A. Motion was carried by the following vote:

AYES: Messrs.: Cullen, Napolitano, Drake, Sparone, Caetano

NAYS: Messrs.: None ABSTAIN: Messrs.: None

#### PFAS NJDEP 3M PROPOSED SETTLEMENT

Motion made by Mr. Sparone, and seconded by Mr. Napolitano, to not participate in the NJDEP\_3M proposed settlement and to include the Authority on a letter of expressing issue with the limitations the settlement puts on recipients.

AYES: Messrs.: Cullen, Napolitano, Drake, Sparone, Caetano

NAYS: Messrs.: None ABSTAIN: Messrs.: None

#### **DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

The Director's Report was reviewed and additional items discussed:

- It was not recommended to extend water restrictions at this time.
- Township requested a fire hydrant across from 8 W Mill. The work has been completed and will be billed to the Township.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

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

AYES: Messrs.: Cullen, Napolitano, Drake, Sparone, Caetano

NAYS: Messrs.: None ABSTAIN: Messrs.: None

Meeting Adjourned: 8:48 PM Respectfully Submitted, E. Jill Waller, Secretary