

**MANCHESTER UTILITIES AUTHORITY
MONTHLY MEETING SEPTEMBER 10, 2012
HALEDON MUNICIPAL COMPLEX –HALEDON, NJ
7:30 P.M.**

TIME: 7:31PM

• MEETING CALLED TO ORDER – OPEN PUBLIC MEETING NOTICE READ

IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS LAW, ADEQUATE NOTICE OF THIS MEETING WAS PROVIDED BY A NOTICE SENT TO THE NORTH JERSEY HERALD NEWS, THE RECORD AND HAWTHORNE PRESS FEBRUARY 24, 2012. THIS NOTICE WAS ALSO POSTED ON THE BULLETIN BOARD AT THE MUNICIPAL BUILDING ON FEBRUARY 24, 2012 AND HAS REMAINED CONTINUOUSLY POSTED AS REQUIRED BY STATUTE. IN ADDITION, A COPY OF THIS NOTICE IS AND HAS BEEN AVAILABLE TO THE PUBLIC AND IS ON FILE IN THE OFFICE OF THE MUNICIPAL CLERK.

Proper notice having been given, the Secretary is directed to include this statement in the minutes of this meeting.

• FLAG SALUTE

• ROLL CALL ATTENDANCE

ROLL CALL

Present: D'Ambrosio, Chowdhury, Malgosh

Absent: Van Sickle, Jones, Zofrea

Other notable attendees: Casey Anne Cordes, Esq.
Chuck Ferraioli, CPA-arrived 7:40PM
Justin Mahon, P.E., Malcolm Pirnie/ARCADIS

REVIEW OF MINUTES:

Motion by Malgosh seconded by Chowdhury to approve the Minutes and Executive Session Minutes for June 11, 2012 and to hold over Minutes for July 9, 2012 because there was not a quorum to pass the July Minutes.

YES: D'Ambrosio, Chowdhury, Malgosh

ABSTAIN:

NO: -0-

• REPORTS AND DISCUSSION

CHAIRMAN

Victor D'Ambrosio defers to professionals for questions and discussion.

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ENGINEER

Justin Mahon submitted report and is on file.

He recommended that the Notice to Proceed should be issued to J. Fletcher Creamer for the Central Avenue project based upon the estimated cost of \$48,000.00.

He recommended the approval of the Franklin Lakes application for a seasonal connection at the reservoir based upon the comments made in his email of September 6, 2012.

He requested authorization to retain a surveyor to prepare descriptions for the easements needed in the upcoming project.

He recommended that letters be sent to customers regarding the leaks detected on their property by the independent leak detection contractor.

ATTORNEY

Casey Anne Cordes submitted report and is on file.

AUDITOR

Chuck Fierraioli spoke on the following:

He apologized for being late.

He reported that billings at the end of August 2012 were up \$61,000.00 from last year.

However, he reminded the MUA that next year there will be a large increase in debt service.

He also stated that the NJEIT financial addendum is being changed so that it cannot be completed until next month; however, since it is not due until December 20, 2012, there will be sufficient time to complete it.

LICENSED OPERATOR

Angelo Passafaro submitted report and is on file.

He reported that the increase in purchased water this month was due to the water break that went undetected for several hours. He also believes that some hydrants may be leaking.

• CORRESPONDENCE

1. NJDEP-NJEIT/Project Certification for State Fiscal Year 2013-2011 WSI
2. MP Letter/NJDEP Compliance Evaluation and Assistance Inspection
3. NJDEP/Notice of Public Hearing-Drinking Water State Revolving Fund Program
4. Public Notice/1068 High Mountain Road, North Haledon
5. Planning Board Application/42 School Street, North Haledon
6. Zoning Board Application/20 Manchester Ave., North Haledon

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The listed Correspondence were reviewed and accepted by the MUA Board.
Motion made by Malgosh seconded by Chowdhury to Accept and File Correspondence.
YES: D'Ambrosio, Chowhury, Malgosh
ABSTAIN:
NO: -0

• COMMITTEE REPORTS AND DISCUSSION

RULES AND REGULATION COMMITTEE- No report for this meeting.

• OLD BUSINESS

1. 1245 Belmont Avenue, NH/Request for reimbursement
2. 953-955 Belmont Ave., NH//Water Connection Application- Discussion held.
Engineer will provide report.

• NEW BUSINESS

1. Franklin Lakes Nature Preserve/Water Connection Application- Discussion held.
2. 2012 Service Agreement-Vegetation Control/GO ORGANIC- Discussion held.
3. Price Quote/Central Ave. NH-Install Water Main- Discussion held.

• PUBLIC COMMENT

Motion made by Chowdhury seconded by Malgosh to open public hearing.
YES: D'Ambrosio, Chowdhury, Malgosh
ABSTAIN:
NO: -0-

Mary Mayer- 635 Belmont Ave., Haledon
Mrs. Mayer reads an article from the Gazzette concerning the water main break from last month and would like MUA to confirm if the information in article is accurate.

Motion made by Malgosh seconded by Chowdhury to close the public hearing.
YES: D'Ambrosio, Chowdhury, Malgosh
ABSTAIN:
NO: -0

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MUA COMMISSIONERS RESPONSES TO PUBLIC COMMENT/INQUIRIES

Chairman D'Ambrosio states that the article was incorrect in that there was a 6 ½ in crack in a 6 inch line. The connection was coming into the Haledon municipal building. The break did not surface and that made it difficult to find.

TIME: 8:12PM

RESOLUTIONS TO BE PASSED BY CONSENT

- 2012-44 AUTHORIZATION TO APPROVE FOR PAYMENT THE WATER OPERATING BILLS AS SET FORTH IN THE WATER OPERATING BILLS LIST DATED SEPTEMBER 10, 2012**
- 2012-45 AUTHORIZATION TO APPROVE FOR PAYMENT THE USDA 2-2 BILLS AS SET FORTH IN THE USDA 2-2 BILLS LIST DATE SEPTEMBER 10, 2012**
- 2012-46 AUTHORIZATION TO APPROVE FRANKLIN LAKES NATURE PRESERVE WATER CONNECTION APPLICATION**
- 2012-47 AUTHORIZATION TO APPROVE SERVICE CONTRACT WITH GO ORGANIC**
- 2012-48 AUTHORIZATION TO APPROVE NOTICE TO PROCEED TO J. FLETCHER CREAMER FOR CENTRAL AVENUE, NORTH HALEDON WATER MAIN PROJECT**

Motion made by Malgosh seconded by Chowdhury to pass Resolution by Consent.

YES: D'Ambrosio, Chowdhury, Malgosh

ABSTAIN:

NO: -0-

• EXECUTIVE SESSION FOR CERTAIN SPECIFIED PURPOSES: LITIGATION AND/OR CLAIMS, CONTRACT NEGOTIATIONS, PERSONNEL, OTHER
WHEREAS, the MUA is a public body subject to the requirements of the Open Public Meetings Act, N.J.S.A. 10:4-6 et seq.; and

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WHEREAS, the Open Public Meetings Act requires a Resolution of this MUA in the event the MUA determines it has a need and is permitted by law to exclude the public from an executive session;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the MUA that the public be excluded from its meeting for the purpose of discussing matters covered under N.J.S.A. 10:4-12B, set forth as follows:

A: LEGAL – Potential Litigation

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED, that the public shall not be admitted to the portion of the meeting at which time the foregoing matters will be discussed, and it is not known when or if the matters to be discussed in closed session can be disclosed to the public; and

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED, that at the conclusion of Executive Session, formal action may be taken.

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED, that the within shall take effect immediately upon passage and publication as provided by law.

TIME: 8:13PM

Motion by Chowdhury seconded by Malgosh to go into executive session as indicated above.

YES: D'Ambrosio, Chowdhury, Malgosh

ABSTAIN:

TIME: 8:29PM

Motion by Chowdhury seconded by Malgosh to reconvene the regular meeting.

YES: D'Ambrosio, Chowdhury, Malgosh

ABSTAIN:

NO: -0-

Motion by Malgosh seconded by Chowdhury to add and approve Resolution #2012-49 entitled A RESOLUTION OF THE MANCHESTER UTILITIES AUTHORITY ADOPTING A FORM REQUIRED TO BE USED FOR THE FILING OF NOTICES OF TORT CLAIMS AGAINST THE AUTHORITY IN ACCORDANCE THE PROVISIONS OF THE NEW JERSEY TORT CLAIMS ACT, N.J.S.A. 59:8-6.

YES: D'Ambrosio, Chowdhury, Malgosh

ABSTAIN:

NO: -0-

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• MEETING ADJOURNED

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Motion made Malgosh seconded by Chowdhury to adjourn meeting.

YES: D'Ambrosio, Chowdhury, Malgosh

ABSTAIN:

NO: -0-

Respectfully Submitted,

Denise Wahad
Recording Secretary

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