

**MANCHESTER UTILITIES AUTHORITY
MONTHLY MEETING DECEMBER 14, 2015
HALEDON MUNICIPAL COMPLEX –HALEDON, NJ
7:30 P.M.**

TIME: 7:33 PM

• 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 ON FEBRUARY 20, 2015. THIS NOTICE WAS ALSO POSTED ON THE BULLETIN BOARD AT THE MUNICIPAL BUILDING ON FEBRUARY 20, 2015 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, Van Sickle, Flach

Absent: Malgosh, Zofrea

Other notable attendees: Casey Cordes, Attorney
 Justin Mahon, Engineer
 Angelo Passafaro, Licensed Operator

• REVIEW OF MINUTES

Motion by Van Sickle seconded by Chowdhury to approve the Minutes and Executive Minutes for November 16, 2015.

YES: D'Ambrosio, Chowdhury, Flach, Van Sickle

ABSTAIN: -0-

NO: -0-

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• REPORTS AND DISCUSSION

CHAIRMAN

Victor D'Ambrosio spoke on the following:

The public hearings for the 2016 Rate Increase, Budget and Connection Fee will be adjourned to next month due to a notice issue with the township clerks.

He followed-up with the North Haledon Board of Education representatives from his meeting with them; however, he has not received a response.

He followed-up with the request to contact the North Haledon Mayor concerning the MUA's potential service of future customers due to contaminated wells as previously published in the local newspaper. The Mayor advised that the situation will likely not be addressed for approximately 5-6 years; however, he will keep the MUA in mind and encouraged the MUA to initiate informal talks with the North Haledon Engineer.

He thanked the Licensed Operator and Engineer for meeting with the NJ DEP representatives to address the MUA's testing issues. The professionals will elaborate on the meeting during their reports; however, it is his understanding that additional reporting will be required and that the testing problems are primarily due to James Court being an oversized line. The NJ DEP made recommendations to the professionals on how to get this water moving for the benefit of the MUA users.

ENGINEER

Justin Mahon submitted report, which is on file and addressed any questions. He highlighted the following:

Draft letters will be prepared to the Boroughs of Haledon and North Haledon regarding the MUA's determinations on the hydrant numbers. It was discovered that approximately 30 hydrants were not being billed appropriately.

The Engineer for the 920 Belmont Avenue project contacted him for a meeting. He returned the call and is waiting to hear back from them.

The John Street applicant is still unsure of how he is proceeding with the property (apartments versus condominiums).

The 2014 Capital Improvement Project documents are with the NJ DEP for review. He anticipates hearing a response soon.

ATTORNEY

Casey Cordes submitted report, which is on file and addressed any questions.

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AUDITOR

Chuck Ferraioli did not attend meeting.

LICENSED OPERATOR

Angelo Passafaro submitted report, which is on file and addressed any questions. He also highlighted the following:

There was a main break on Harring Court on a ½ inch line. It appears that the service may have been leaking for some time. The repair was being worked on during the meeting.

• CORRESPONDENCE

1. DEP/Air Pollution Control GP-005 Renewal Notification
2. HEPSCD/Soil Erosion & Sediment Control-2014 WSI
3. NJDEP/2014 WSI Construction Permit
4. ARCADIS Various Correspondence/2014 Water System Improvements
5. ARCADIS Letter/58 Sherwood Avenue, Haledon
6. NH Planning Board/ 960 Belmont Avenue, Haledon

The listed Correspondence were reviewed and considered by the MUA Board.

Motion made by Flach seconded by Van Sickle to Accept and File Correspondence.

YES: D'Ambrosio, Chowdhury, Flach, Van Sickle

ABSTAIN: -0-

NO: -0-

• COMMITTEE REPORTS AND DISCUSSION

1. RULES AND REGULATION COMMITTEE- No Update.
2. INTRALOCAL SERVICE AGREEMENT NEGOTIATION COMMITTEE- Awaiting response from the Borough of Haledon concerning proposed Agreement.

• OLD BUSINESS

1. Water Connection Application/2 John Street-Discussed during Professional Reports.
2. Water Connection Application/276 Belmont Ave., Haledon- Discussed during Professional Reports.
3. Water Connection Application/920 Belmont Ave., NH-181 Units- Discussed during Professional Reports.

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4. Water Connection Application/960 Belmont Ave., NH-34 Townhomes- Discussed during Professional Reports.
5. 59 Post Street, Haledon-Service Replacement-Invoice sent
6. 368 Hobart Avenue, Haledon Correspondence-Tort Claim-Referred to Insurance Company

• NEW BUSINESS

1. 45 Walray, Ave., North Haledon/Water Dispute- The Chairman will follow-up on this account.
2. USDA Form RD 442-2-This is a financial form that needs the Chairman's signature.

• PUBLIC COMMENT

Motion made by Van Sickle seconded by Chowdhury to open public hearing.

YES: D'Ambrosio, Chowdhury, Flach, Van Sickle

ABSTAIN: -0-

NO: -0-

No Public Present.

Motion made by Van Sickle seconded by Chowdhury to close public hearing.

YES: D'Ambrosio, Chowdhury, Flach, Van Sickle

ABSTAIN: -0-

NO: -0-

MUA COMMISSIONER RESPONSES TO PUBLIC COMMENT/INQUIRIES

None.

RESOLUTIONS TO BE PASSED BY CONSENT

**2015-45 AUTHORIZATION TO APPROVE FOR PAYMENT THE WATER
OPERATING BILLS AS SET FORTH IN THE WATER OPERATING**

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BILLS LIST DATED DECEMBER 14, 2015

**2015-46 AUTHORIZATION TO APPROVE FOR PAYMENT THE
NJEIT 2011 WATER SYSTEM IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT
BILLS AS SET FORTH IN THE NJEIT 2011 WATER MAIN
IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT BILLS LIST DATED
DECEMBER 14, 2015**

Motion by Van Sickle seconded by Chowdhury to pass Resolutions by Consent.
YES: D'Ambrosio, Chowdhury, Flach, Van Sickle
ABSTAIN: -0-
NO: -0-

• MEETING ADJOURNED

Motion made Van Sickle seconded by Chowdhury to adjourn meeting.
YES: D'Ambrosio, Chowdhury, Flach, Van Sickle
ABSTAIN: -0-
NO: -0-

TIME: 8:17 PM

Respectfully Submitted,
Denise Wahad
Recording Secretary

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