

**MANCHESTER UTILITIES AUTHORITY
MONTHLY MEETING MAY 12, 2014
HALEDON MUNICIPAL COMPLEX –HALEDON, NJ
7:30 P.M.**

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TIME: 7:32 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 12, 2014. THIS NOTICE WAS ALSO POSTED ON THE BULLETIN BOARD AT THE MUNICIPAL BUILDING ON FEBRUARY 12, 2014 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, Van Sickle

Absent: Zofrea

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

REVIEW OF MINUTES:

Motion by Malgosh seconded by Chowdhury to approve the Minutes and Executive Session Minutes for March 10, 2014 and to hold over Minutes for April 14, 2014.

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

ABSTAIN: -0-

NO: -0-

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• REPORTS AND DISCUSSION

CHAIRMAN

Victor D’Ambrosio spoke on the following:

He explained the need for the Special Meeting last month to address Change Orders for ongoing construction project and to pay certain bills that could not wait since a quorum was not available for the regularly scheduled meeting in April.

He extended his and the MUA's sincere condolences to the Borough of North Haledon Mayor George on his wife's passing.

He thanked the Licensed Operator and DPW Staff for their efforts in getting the Central Avenue Tank operational.

He advised that the permanent financing closing with the NJEIT will take place on May 20, 2014 for the three capital improvement projects that are close to completion.

He stated that the MUA staff is still working on making the online payments available for customers.

He reported that the water lien sales are in progress with the Tax Collectors in North Haledon and in Haledon. The North Haledon sale will take place in June and the Haledon sale will take place in September.

He advised that the hydrant flushing will begin on May 5, 2014.

He stated that the CCR should be going out next month.

ENGINEER

Justin Mahon submitted report, which is on file and highlighted the following:

His office was contacted by representatives from Franklin Lakes regarding improvements to the roadway, which is located outside of the MUA's easement border. Discussion was held concerning the request from Franklin Lakes for the MUA to make roadway improvements.

He advised that there is an increased runoff problem at 1180 High Mountain Road, which has resulted from the County performing certain drainage work in the area. Discussion was held on investigating the matter and contacting the County to address the issue.

Discussion was held concerning the Change Orders for the Central Avenue Tank and Former Filter Plant projects.

ATTORNEY

Casey Anne Cordes submitted report, which is on file and addressed any questions raised by the Commissioners.

Discussion was held concerning establishing new procedures for Bankruptcy collection matters.

AUDITOR

Chuck Ferraioli was not present and no report was submitted.

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LICENSED OPERATOR

Angelo Passafaro submitted report, which is on file.

He confirmed that the hydrant flushing would take place from May 5, 2014 to May 25, 2014.

• **CORRESPONDENCE**

1. NJDEP-Notice of Non-Compliance-Received in error, we are in compliance
2. Borough of North Haledon Correspondence
3. Bank of New York Correspondence
4. Valley National Bank Correspondence
5. MP/ARCADIS-NJEIT Correspondence
6. NJEIT Payment Requisition 1-9
7. Various MUA Letters
8. Notice of Public Hearing-276 Belmont Ave., Haledon

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

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

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

ABSTAIN: -0-

NO: -0-

• **COMMITTEE REPORTS AND DISCUSSION**

1. RULES AND REGULATION COMMITTEE- No report for this meeting.
2. INTRALOCAL SERVICE AGREEMENT NEGOTIATION COMMITTEE- No report for this meeting. However, updated financial information is needed from the Borough in order to begin the process.

• **OLD BUSINESS**

1. Filter Plant Project Easements-These have been completed.
2. 59 Post Road, Haledon-Service Replacement - Chairman contacted the homeowner and re-sent another invoice outlining the costs and work needed.

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• NEW BUSINESS

1. Emergency Repair Contract –The professionals are working on the bid specifications and once finalized, the bid will be advertised.
2. Former Filter Plant fencing-Franklin Lakes request - Discussed during Engineer Report.
3. New Procedures to follow for Bankruptcy Filings - Discussed under Attorney Report

• PUBLIC COMMENT

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

YES: D’Ambrosio, Chowdhury, Malgosh, Van Sickle

ABSTAIN: -0-

NO: -0-

Mark Scrivens

5 Messerve Place

North Haledon, NJ 07508

Mr. Scrivens would like an update on the water pressure concerns in his area and its inclusion in the updated Capital Improvement Project.

Michael Cabagnaro

44 Rothsey Avenue

North Haledon, NJ 07508

Mr. Cabagnaro has lived in his home since 1991 and has experienced problems with the color and taste of the water along with low water pressure. He states the MUA has mentioned repairs are to be made and would like it to be on record that something must be done.

Motion made by Van Sickle seconded by Malgosh to close the public hearing.

YES: D’Ambrosio, Chowdhury, Malgosh, Van Sickle

ABSTAIN: -0-

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MUA COMMISSIONERS RESPONSES TO PUBLIC COMMENT/INQUIRIES

The Chairman explained that the MUA's Engineer is working on an updated Capital Improvement Plan since the MUA has completed many of the projects listed on the older version, which were higher priority (pursuant to NJ DEP directives, etc.). The MUA is aware of the issues in that area of North Haledon. Unfortunately, there is no quick fix because it is a low service area and the Engineer must formulate a comprehensive plan to address it.

Motion by Van Sickle seconded by Chowdhury to add Resolution No. 2014-37 entitled "AUTHORIZATION TO RESCIND RESOLUTION NO. 2014-20 INVOLVING CONTRACT CHANGE ORDERS AND TO APPROVE CONTRACT CHANGE ORDER MODIFICATION NO. CO-001 and CO-002 FOR PROJECT NOS. 163001-012 & 163001-013: FORMER FILTRATION PLANT AND HIGH SERVICE RESERVOIR IMPROVEMENTS" to the Resolutions by Consent.

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

ABSTAIN: -0-

NO: -0-

RESOLUTIONS TO BE PASSED BY CONSENT

2014-31 AUTHORIZATION TO APPROVE FOR PAYMENT THE WATER OPERATING BILLS AS SET FORTH IN THE WATER OPERATING BILLS LIST DATED MAY 12, 2014

2014-32 AUTHORIZATION TO APPROVE FOR PAYMENT THE 2011 WATER SYSTEM IMPROVEMENT BILL AS SET FORTH IN THE 2011 WATER SYSTEM IMPROVEMENT BILLS LIST DATED MAY 12, 2014

2014-33 AUTHORIZATION TO APPROVE FOR PAYMENT THE NJEIT 2008 WATER MAIN IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT BILLS AS SET FORTH IN THE NJEIT 2008 WATER MAIN IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT BILLS LIST DATED MAY 12, 2014

2014-34 AUTHORIZATION TO APPROVE FOR PAYMENT THE NJEIT 2008 WATER MAIN IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT BILLS AS SET FORTH IN THE USDA2-2 2008 WATER MAIN IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT BILLS LIST DATED MAY 12, 2014

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**2014-35 AUTHORIZATION TO RESCIND RESOLUTION NO. 2014-21 &
RESOLUTION NO. 2014-27 INVOLVING CONTRACT CHANGE ORDERS
AND TO APPROVE CONTRACT CHANGE ORDER MODIFICATION NO.
CO-001, CO-002, & CO-003 FOR PROJECT NOS. 163001006: CENTRAL
AVENUE STANDPIPE REHABILITATION**

**2014-36 RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE SALE AND ISSUANCE OF
BOND OF THE MANCHESTER UTILITIES AUTHORITY**

**2014-37 AUTHORIZATION TO RESCIND RESOLUTION NO. 2014-20
INVOLVING CONTRACT CHANGE ORDERS AND TO APPROVE
CONTRACT CHANGE ORDER MODIFICATION NO. CO-001 and CO-002
FOR PROJECT NOS. 163001-012 & 163001-013: FORMER FILTRATION
PLANT AND HIGH SERVICE RESERVOIR IMPROVEMENTS**

Motion by Van Sickle seconded by Malgosh to pass Resolutions by Consent as Amended.

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

ABSTAIN: -0-

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

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. CONTRACT NEGOTIATIONS - Potential agreement with Franklin Lakes to install security and roadway improvements.

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

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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: 8:18 PM

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

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

ABSTAIN: -0-

NO: -0-

TIME: 8:34PM

Motion by Van Sickle seconded by Chowdhury to reconvene the regular meeting.

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

ABSTAIN: -0-

NO: -0-

TIME: 8:35PM

• MEETING ADJOURNED

Motion made Chowdhury seconded by Van Sickle to adjourn meeting.

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

ABSTAIN: -0-

NO: -0-

Respectfully Submitted,
Denise Wahad
Recording Secretary

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