

**MANCHESTER UTILITIES AUTHORITY
MONTHLY MEETING OCTOBER 21, 2013
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 13, 2013. THIS NOTICE WAS ALSO POSTED ON THE BULLETIN BOARD AT THE MUNICIPAL BUILDING ON FEBRUARY 13, 2013 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, Zofrea

Absent:

Other notable attendees: Casey Cordes, Attorney
 Justin Mahon, Engineer
 Gerry Spiesbach, Engineer

REVIEW OF MINUTES:

Motion by Van Sickle seconded by Zofrea to approve the Minutes and Executive Session Minutes for September 9, 2013.

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

ABSTAIN: -0-

NO: -0-

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• REPORTS AND DISCUSSION

CHAIRMAN

Victor D’Ambrosio spoke on the following:

He states that he would be relying upon the professional reports this month for comment.

He requests that the Engineer provide an update on the Central Avenue project.

He advises that quotes were received for a valve-turner; however, more information needs to be obtained and reviewed before this purchase will be considered.

ENGINEER

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

He met with PVWC representatives on October 16, 2013 to discuss alternatives to resolve the potential disinfection byproduct violations caused by using chlorination instead of chloramination in the system. They agree to perform a short term sampling program before the November regulatory sampling and to evaluate incorporating aeration into the improvements at the Central Avenue Standpipe and High Service Reservoir.

He advises that Reivax Contracting Corp. is seeking additional monies for paving. His office is attempting to mediate this issue. Reivax is addressing the final punch list items for the project. JNP has demolished the piping in the valve vault and started making modifications to the Central Avenue Standpipe. He seeks a Change Order incorporating the alternately bid Tasks 4 through 8 into the pending contract.

Motion made by Van Sickle seconded by Zofrea to authorize the Chairman to sign the recommended Change Order incorporating the alternately bid Tasks 4 through 8 into the pending contract with JNP subject to confirming that the items were the lowest bids received.

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

ABSTAIN: Malgosh

NO: -0-

ATTORNEY

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

AUDITOR

Chuck Ferraioli did not attend meeting.

However, he advised the Chairman that his report would be the same as the report submitted at the October meeting.

LICENSED OPERATOR

Angelo Passafaro did not attend meeting. His written Report has been submitted, which is on file.

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• **CORRESPONDENCE**

1. 2011 WMI/Various Correspondence
2. USDA/Compliance Review/Security Inspection
3. County of Passaic-Boswell Eng./Replacement of Terrace Ave. Culvert over Tributary to Molly Ann Brook
4. Borough of Hawthorne-Notice of Hearing/Christian Health Care Center
5. North Haledon- Zoning Board Application/21 (AKA14) Nassau Street
6. Borough of Haledon Planning Board/2 John Street Associates
7. North Haledon Zoning Application/16 Florence Place
8. GRC Decision in the matter of Mayer v. MUA

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, Zofrea

ABSTAIN: -0-

NO: -

• **COMMITTEE REPORTS AND DISCUSSION**

RULES AND REGULATION COMMITTEE- No report for this meeting.

• **OLD BUSINESS**

1. 4 Ross Lane, North Haledon - Agreement and Easement has been executed by the property owner and is presented for review and discussion.
2. Filter Plant Project Easements - On-going attempts by Counsel and Engineer to obtain same.
3. Franklin Lakes Negotiations - On-going attempts by Chairman; however, it appears that Franklin Lakes is proceeding elsewhere with the location of the cell tower.
4. Water Connection Application/371 Squaw Brook Road, NH - Presented for review and discussion.
5. Meter Replacement Inventory - On hold due to budgetary concerns.
6. 2011 Water Improvements Project & Interlocal Service Agreement with North Haledon - Presented for review and discussion.
7. Harring Court Project Easements - One property owner has signed the Easement needed; however, two property owners have still not complied. Therefore, this project is indefinitely on hold.
8. Commissioner Van Sickle advises that the new Truck is in.

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• NEW BUSINESS

None.

• PUBLIC COMMENT

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

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

ABSTAIN: -0-

NO: -0-

No public present.

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

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

ABSTAIN: -0-

NO: -0

MUA COMMISSIONERS RESPONSES TO PUBLIC COMMENT/INQUIRIES

None.

• 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 - Easement and Contract Negotiations.

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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: 8:18PM

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

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

ABSTAIN: -0-

NO: -0-

TIME: 9:04PM

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

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

ABSTAIN: -0-

NO: -0-

Motion by Van Sickle seconded by Zofrea to add Resolution No. 2013-60 entitled Approval of the Water Connection Application Submitted for 371 Squaw Brook Road, North Haledon, NJ subject to certain conditions required by the Engineer.

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

ABSTAIN: -0-

NO: -0-

RESOLUTIONS TO BE PASSED BY CONSENT

**2013-57 AUTHORIZATION TO APPROVE FOR PAYMENT THE WATER
OPERATING BILLS AS SET FORTH IN THE WATER OPERATING
BILLS LIST DATED OCTOBER 21, 2013**

**2013-58 AUTHORIZATION TO APPROVE FOR PAYMENT THE 2011 WATER
SYSTEM IMPROVEMENT BILL AS SET FORTH IN THE 2011 WATER
SYSTEM IMPROVEMENT BILLS LIST DATED OCTOBER 21, 2013**

**2013-59 APPROVAL OF AND AUTHORIZATION TO EXECUTE AN INTERLOCAL
SERVICE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE MANCHESTER UTILITIES**

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**AUTHORITY AND THE BOROUGH OF NORTH HALEDON FOR PAVING
SERVICES**

**2013-60 APPROVAL OF THE WATER CONNECTION APPLICATION
SUBMITTED FOR 371 SQUAW BROOK ROAD, NORTH HALEDON, NJ**

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

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

ABSTAIN: -0-

NO: -0-

TIME: 9:05PM

• MEETING ADJOURNED

Motion made Van Sickle seconded by Zofrea to adjourn meeting.

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

ABSTAIN: -0-

NO: -0-

Respectfully Submitted,

Denise Wahad
Recording Secretary

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