

**MANCHESTER UTILITIES AUTHORITY
MONTHLY MEETING: APRIL 22, 2024
CONDUCTED ELECTRONICALLY VIA ZOOM CONFERENCING
7:30 P.M.**

TIME:

• **MEETING CALLED TO ORDER – OPEN PUBLIC MEETING NOTICE READ**

STATEMENT OF PUBLIC NOTICE-TAKE NOTICE that adequate notice of this meeting has been provided in accordance with N.J.S.A. 10:4-8 and N.J.S.A. 10:4-10 as follows: A notice of the meeting was prominently posted on the bulletin board at the Haledon Municipal Building, located at 510 Belmont Avenue, Haledon, NJ on February 16, 2024. A copy of the Annual Meeting Notice was advertised on February 18, 2024 in the North Jersey Herald News and The Record.

A LINK AND A TELEPHONE NUMBER TO JOIN THE MEETING VIRUTALLY CAN BE ACCESSED ON THE MUA WEBSITE AT WWW.MUAWATER.NET. ELECTRONIC PROVISIONS HAVE BEEN ESTABLISHED FOR THE PUBLIC TO PARTICIPATE DURING THE PUBLIC COMMENT PORTION OF THE MEETING.

Formal Action will be taken.

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

• **FLAG SALUTE**

• **ROLL CALL ATTENDANCE**

Victor D'Ambrosio, Commissioner
Dewan Chowdhury, Commissioner
Geraldine Flach-Sybesma, Commissioner
Carlos A. Mocco, Commissioner
Anthony Smith, Commissioner

**LEGAL MEETING NOTICE
MANCHESTER UTILITIES AUTHORITY**

**TAKE NOTICE THAT THE MONTHLY MEETING SCHEDULED FOR
APRIL 8, 2024 AT 7:30 PM
HAS BEEN RESCHEDULED TO
APRIL 22, 2024 AT 7:30 PM**

Meeting details can be accessed on the MUA website at www.muawater.net.

Formal action will be taken.

• **PROFESSIONAL REPORTS AND DISCUSSION**

1. CHAIRMAN REPORT- Victor D'Ambrosio, Commissioner

**PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that there is important information regarding:
BILL ASSISTANCE AND ARREARAGE FORGIVENESS PROGRAMS**

The State Low Income Household Water Assistance Program (LIHWAP) can help you pay arrears for your water and sewer bills. The program may also be able to help address tax liens due to water and sewer arrears. To get more information and apply, go to waterassistance.nj.gov or call NJ211.

The application period for the New Jersey Department of Community Affairs' Low Income Water Assistance Program (LIHWAP) is currently closed.

People can apply online through the DCAid application portal at <https://njdca-housing.dynamics365portals.us/en-US/dcaid-services/>. Those without computer or internet access can call 1-800-510-3102.

Please review this special Notice in its entirety at our website at www.muawater.net or contact Water Billing Clerk, Rama Jamoukha, by calling her at (973) 942-6538 extension 2 or emailing her at rjamoukha@haledonboronj.com for additional information.

BILL ASSISTANCE AND ARREARAGE FORGIVENESS PROGRAMS

1. ENGINEER REPORT – Jerry Mitchell P.E., ARCADIS, Inc. /Malcolm Pirnie
2. ATTORNEY REPORT - Casey Anne Cordes, Esq., Fronzuto Law Group
3. AUDITOR REPORT- Robert McNinch, CPA
4. LICENSED OPERATOR- Robert De Block, LO

• REVIEW OF MINUTES:

Motion made by _____ seconded by _____ to approve the Minutes for January 22, 2024.

ROLL CALL VOTE

D'Ambrosio Chowdhury Flach Moczo Smith

Motion made by _____ seconded by _____ to approve the Minutes for March 11, 2024.

ROLL CALL VOTE

D'Ambrosio Chowdhury Flach Moczo Smith

• COMMITTEE REPORTS AND DISCUSSION

1. OPERATIONS COMMITTEE-

• CORRESPONDENCE

1. Passaic River Coalition/Annual Membership Request
2. DEP/2024 Water Supply Proficiency Test Study
3. Boswell Engineering/Reconstruction of Lower Dam Culvert on Pettee Avenue, NH
4. Boswell Engineering/ NJDEP Flood Hazard Area Individual Permit & Freshwater Wetlands Permit 1 Squaw Brook Bank Stabilization Borough of North Haledon
5. Borough of Haledon Legal Notice/41 Buschmann Avenue
6. Borough of Haledon Planning Board/431 Haledon Avenue
7. Borough of North Haledon Public Notice/1145 High Mountain Road
8. Borough of Haledon Planning Board/490 Haledon Avenue

Motion made by _____ seconded by _____ to Accept and File Correspondence.

ROLL CALL VOTE

D'Ambrosio Chowdhury Flach Moczo Smith

• OLD BUSINESS

1. 225 Pompton Road/Water Bill Dispute
2. 27 Jasper Street, Haledon-Time Extension Request -Letter sent March 27, 2024
3. LIHWAP Language Requirements

• NEW BUSINESS

1. Water Connection Application/431 Haledon Ave., Haledon
2. Quote for High Service Reservoir Cleaning/ LO & Engineer to discuss

• PUBLIC HEARING

Motion by _____ seconded by _____ to open the public hearing.

ROLL CALL VOTE

D'Ambrosio Chowdhury Flach Moczó Smith

Motion by _____ seconded by _____ to close the public hearing.

ROLL CALL VOTE

D'Ambrosio Chowdhury Flach Moczó Smith

MUA COMMISSIONERS RESPONSES TO PUBLIC COMMENT/INQUIRIES

RESOLUTIONS TO BE PASSED BY CONSENT

2024-20 AUTHORIZATION TO APPROVE FOR PAYMENT THE WATER OPERATING BILLS AS SET FORTH IN THE WATER OPERATING BILLS LIST DATED APRIL 22, 2024

2024-21 APPOINTMENT OF AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE FOR PURPOSES OF FILING APPLICATIONS WITH THE NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AND THE INFRASTRUCTURE BANK FOR THE HEIGHTS TANK IMPROVEMENTS

Motion by _____ seconded by _____ to pass the Resolutions by Consent.

ROLL CALL VOTE

D'Ambrosio Chowdhury Flach Moczó Smith

• 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. PERSONNEL
- B. LEGAL
- C. CONTRACT NEGOTIATIONS
- D. OTHER

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.

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

ROLL CALL VOTE

D'Ambrosio Chowdhury Flach Moczó Smith

Motion by _____ seconded by _____ to reconvene the regular meeting.

ROLL CALL VOTE

D'Ambrosio Chowdhury Flach Moczó Smith

• MEETING ADJOURNED

Motion by _____ seconded by _____ to adjourn.

ROLL CALL VOTE

D'Ambrosio Chowdhury Flach Moczó Smith

TIME: