MANCHESTER UTILITIES AUTHORITY MONTHLY MEETING: OCTOBER 21, 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 <u>WWW.MUAWATER.NET</u>. 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. Moczo, Commissioner Anthony Smith, Commissioner Islam Muzibul, Commissioner

• 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 AUDITOR REPORT- Robert McNinch, CPA 3. LICENSED OPERATOR- Robert De Block, LO 4. • REVIEW OF MINUTES Notion made by _____ seconded by _____ to approve the Minutes for July 22, 2024.

ROLL CALL VOTE D'Ambrosio Chowdhury Flach Moczo Smith Muzibul Motion made by _____ seconded by ____ to approve the Minutes for September 9, 2024. ROLL CALL VOTE D'Ambrosio Chowdhury Flach Moczo Smith Muzibul COMMITTEE REPORTS AND DISCUSSION OPERATIONS COMMITTEE-Next meeting November 6, 2024 CORRESPONDENCE 1. NJDEP Correspondence/Holland Christian Home Water Extension 2. Boswell Engineering Correspondence/Squaw Brook Bank Stabilization 3. Notice of Public Hearing/383 Belmont Ave., Haledon 4. Notice of Public Hearing/88 Roosevelt Avenue, North Haledon 5. Notice of Public Hearing/68 Squaw Brook Road, North Haledon 6. Totowa Zoning Board/561 Preakness Avenue Motion made by ______ seconded by _____ to Accept and File Correspondence. ROLL CALL VOTE D'Ambrosio Chowdhury Flach Moczo Smith Muzibul **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. NJ Wastewater Cooperative Pricing System/Request to Join 2. Guido & Sons Paving Contractor Price Quote/Clean and Track Road Area-Filter 3. Water Connection Application/371 Hobart Ave., Haledon 4. Badger Meter Order/Stock • PUBLIC HEARING

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

ROLL CALL VOTE

D'Ambrosio Chowdhury Flach Moczo Smith Muzibul

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

ROLL CALL VOTE

D'Ambrosio Chowdhury Flach Moczo Smith Muzibul

MUA COMMISSIONERS RESPONSES TO PUBLIC COMMENT/INQUIRIES

RESOLUTIONS TO BE PASSED BY CONSENT

- 2024-34 AUTHORIZATION TO APPROVE FOR PAYMENT THE WATER OPERATING BILLS AS SET FORTH IN THE WATER OPERATING BILLS LIST DATED OCTOBER 21, 2024
- 2024-35 AUTHORIZATION FOR AN ADDITIONAL EXTENSION OF THE CONSTRUCTION VALVE EXERCISING AND HYDRANT INSPECTION SERVICES CONTRACT WITH JOHN GARCIA CONSTRUCTION TO NOVEMBER 30, 2024
- 2024-36 AUTHORIZATION TO APPROVE AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE MANCHESTER UTILITIES AUTHORITY AND NORTH JERSEY WASTEWATER COOPERATIVE PRICING SYSTEM FOR MEMBERSHIP
- 2024-37 AUTHORIZATION TO APPROVE THE PURCHASE OF WATER METERS AND EQUIPMENT FOR AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$24,610.00

Motion by	secon	ded by _		to pass tl	ne Resolutions	by (Consent.
ROLL CALL	VOTE						
D'Ambrosio	Chowdhury	Flach	Moczo	Smith	Muzibul		

• 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	secor	nded by		to go into	executive session as indicated above
ROLL CALL	VOTE				
D'Ambrosio	Chowdhury	Flach	Moczo	Smith	Muzibul
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Motion by	secon	ided by		to reconv	ene the regular meeting.
ROLL CALL	VOTE				
D'Ambrosio	Chowdhury	Flach	Moczo	Smith	Muzibul

• MEETING	ADJOURNE	D				
Motion by	seconded by			to adjourn.		
ROLL CALL	VOTE					
D'Ambrosio	Chowdhury	Flach	Moczo	Smith	Muzibul	
TIME:						