

WESTERN MONMOUTH UTILITIES AUTHORITY

WORKSHOP MEETING

May 8th, 2018

Chairman Pernice called the Western Monmouth Utilities Authority's Public meeting to order at 7:00PM. It was announced that pursuant to the Open Public Meeting Act and N.J.S.A. 10:4-6 et seq., adequate notice of this meeting has been sent to the Asbury Park Press, The Home News and Tribune, Clerks of Manalapan and Marlboro Townships, and is posted in the lobby of the Western Monmouth Utilities Authority ("W.M.U.A.")

Upon roll call:

Present:	Messrs. Mendez, Pernice and Rosen
On the phone:	Commissioner McEnery
Absent:	None
Also in Attendance:	K. Kinsella, DeCotiis, Fitzpatrick & Cole, LLP B. Valentino, Executive Director G. Stankiewicz, Auditor J. Carr, Manager of Engineering Services G. Kasternakis, Maintenance Supervisor K. Leatherman, General Manager C. Weber, Office Manager R. Brandt, HR/Confidential Assistant A. Finnerty, Authority Clerk Award winning employees of WMUA <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Dwayne Anglely & wife, Ginger• Ed Kovacs & wife, Dawn• Rob Pala• Joe Natale• Bruce Mantano M. Musich, Manalapan Township Liaison

All present cited the Pledge of Allegiance.

Chairman Pernice stated for the record that Commissioner McEnery is on the phone. He informed Mr. McEnery that we have many people attending the meeting.

Chairman Pernice asked if there was public comment, there was none.

Chairman Pernice asked for any comment on the Executive Directors Report. Brian Valentino stated that we have invited the graduates of the 2017 of the Environmental Professional Development academy from WMUA to attend the meeting. The first reason is to congratulate them as an organization for completing the academy successfully and the second reason to present them their academy diplomas to be hung in their personal work spaces as well as their academy graduate citation. Mr. Valentino stated that he asked each graduate to address the meeting on how they felt about the academy. Each graduate spoke and thanked the

Commissioners for the opportunity to attend the academy. Mr. Valentino stated that of the 53 employees at WMUA, 20 have been thru the academy and 3 have been promoted. He stated that the Authority will be stepping back because the two year pilot program has ended. Mr. Valentino has been asked to stay on as the Director of the Academy, but we are going to break up the actual administration and other people from other Authorities will be doing the work. Commissioner Rosen asked why we are not doing this any longer. Mr. Valentino stated that we will still be in charge but he felt that it was unfair to the Authority for him to be giving two days to the Academy for training. He stated we can take a step back as we've set the standard. Chairman Pernice stated that this was a pilot program that Brian created. Commissioner Rosen stated that this program is wonderful and thanked the graduates. He stated that the Authority has done a complete turn and our reputation has changed. Chairman Pernice stated that it was great for the Authority to receive the WAVE awards in Atlantic City. Chairman Pernice welcomed Rachael Brandt and Joe Natale to the Authority. Mr. Valentino thanked the Commissioners on behalf of the staff and thanked the staff for all their help, from setting up the tables to making copies to setting up lunches and helping people find their way around town. . Mr. Valentino stated that all the graduates from this cohort have already volunteered to serve in leadership positions on employee committees. They will be working on a new internship program, the employee picnic committee and people on the Explorer post committee. The Commissioners then presented the diplomas to the graduates.

Mr. Valentino stated that the bids are out for our annual contracts and we are putting a bid together for concrete work in various locations. The capital budget review will be started earlier at the Chairman's request. The audit is in its final phases, they are writing up their report. We will be planning the budget a little earlier as well.

Chairman Pernice proceeded with the Resolutions. He stated the first Resolution was regarding shared services. The second Resolution was to remove customer interest because we were billing to an incorrect address. He asked if there were any questions. Commissioner Mendez asked about the Shared Services agreement. Mr. Valentino stated that we are trying to reduce the cost of our operations, rather than pay market prices we asked the county if they would be able to do some tree removal and some paving. They have a standing shared services program for these things. The list of items in the Resolution is basically a menu and we may not use them. You are authorizing us to enter in this agreement and use any of these items we may need to use. Chairman Pernice stated if we find it somewhere else cheaper we don't have to use them. We already had the mosquito commission clearing out the stream bed; they have a general permit from the DEP to do that. We actually had the work done at no cost to the authority. Commissioner Rosen would like to know if we know the actual savings from Shared Services Agreements. Chairman Pernice stated we evaluate which cost is better before doing anything.

Chairman Pernice asked for a motion for Resolutions 18-66 and 18-67. Commissioner Mendez moved seconded by Commissioner McEnery, the vote was as follows:

AYES:	Messrs. McEnery, Mendez, Pernice and Rosen
NAYS:	None
ABSTENTIONS	None
ABSENT:	None

- 18-66 Authorizing Shared Services Agreement between the WMUA and the County of Monmouth
- 18-67 Authorizing Removal of Customer Interest

Chairman Pernice asked if there was any other Authority Business. Chairman Pernice stated that Manalapan Day is June 9th and the WMUA will be there. We will have a different location. He hopes that all the Commissioners can stop by and that the Fifth Dimension will be performing.

Chairman Pernice asked if there were any questions on the bill list. There were none. Commissioner Rosen moved the bill list, seconded by Commissioner Mendez, all present voted aye.

Chairman Pernice stated that the next meeting is scheduled for May 22nd, 2018.

At 7:26pm Chairman Pernice asked for a motion for Resolution 18-68 Authorizing the Commissioners to go into Closed Session for the Purpose of Discussing Litigation and/or Personnel and they will not return to Public Session. Commissioner Rosen moved, seconded by Commissioner Mendez, all present voted aye.

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