

WESTERN MONMOUTH UTILITIES AUTHORITY

WORKSHOP & PUBLIC MEETING

July 19<sup>th</sup>, 2012

Chairman Pernice called the Western Monmouth Utilities Authority's Public meeting to order at 7:31PM. 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. McEnery, Musich, Pernice and Rosen
Absent:	None
Also in Attendance:	J. Wisniewski, Attorney, Wisniewski & Associates K. Henderson, Engineer, T&M Associates T. Gillen, Engineer, CME Associates G. Stankiewicz, Auditor D. Martindell, Facility Manager R. Noel, Collections Superintendent G. Kasternakis, Maintenance Supervisor M. Seidenberg, Director of Finance K. Leatherman, General Manager A. Finnerty, Authority Clerk

All present cited the Pledge of Allegiance.

Chairman Pernice asked if there was any public comment.

John Ploskonka of Concept Engineering addressed the Commissioners regarding a connection for Pear Tree Plaza, Project #469. A dry sewer was installed about 5 or 6 years ago next to the CVS which cost about \$10,000.00 and was 27 feet deep. Project #439, Wawa Inc. plans to tie in were contingent upon the finalization of the Pear Tree Plaza connection. Mr. Sonnenblick attorney for Pear Tree Plaza stated the lines are only 7 feet deep. The sewer lines can be deeper and they need them to be at least 15 feet deep. As per WMUA's Rules and Regulations the sewer lines need to be deeper in order to tie in. Keith Henderson addressed the situation and stated that the project was shut down today. As per a condition in their resolution these projects were supposed to be working together to bring the sewer lines to more customers. Mr. Henderson stated that it is currently being review and we should have an answer within the week.

John Ploskonka also addressed the meeting regarding the Old Silver Tavern. He has forwarded plans to the Authority regarding a plan to tie in to the Authority's system. The County is planning to widen some roads in the area and they would like to hopefully tie-in while the roads are

open. Mr. Wisniewski stated that an application should be forwarded to the Authority and Keith Henderson added that an escrow check for \$2500.00 will be enough to examine the conceptual drawings.

Mr. Ploskonka introduced Bhaskar Halari of Concept Engineering a colleague, who addressed the meeting regarding a private pump station that Lucas Brothers would like to install. Mr. Halari stated that Lucas Brothers plans on building a 32,000 sq. foot office building. There are no available gravity sewers in the immediate area but there is a force main on Tennent Road. They are planning to build a private pump station and connect to the Authority's force main upon our approval. They will forward the application to the Authority. Chairman Pernice answered that the Authority's engineers will review the application upon receipt.

Chairman Pernice closed the public portion of the meeting at 7:44pm.

Chairman Pernice wanted to address the meeting prior to Discussion. He stated that the Solar Ribbon Cutting Ceremony was a great success. He expressed his thanks for all the local dignitaries for coming, Mayor Cohen and The Green Team of Marlboro. Also he expressed his gratitude the Authority professionals and the staff for all the preparation. Mr. Pernice also thanked George Kasternakis for a very informative 3 hour tour and Rob Noel, for an extensive tour of the pump stations. He suggested that the other Commissioners take the 'down and dirty' tour. Chairman Pernice thanked Don Holland, the Manalapan Township liaison for coming to the meeting tonight.

Chairman Pernice proceeded with the Discussion for the Public Meeting.

➤ The Discussion items on the Agenda were addressed:

- Chairman Pernice asked for comment on the Connection Fee Hearing. We had to change the date of the hearing because a statute required that the hearing be advertised in 2 different papers and we only advertised in one. The Connection Fee Hearing will now be heard at the August 16<sup>th</sup>, 2012 meeting.
- Chairman Pernice asked for comment on the minutes of June 7<sup>th</sup>, and June 21<sup>st</sup>, 2012. There was no comment and they proceeded with the Resolutions for the minutes.
- Chairman Pernice asked for comment on promoting Vita Mazzola to the position of Authority Accountant and Nancy Yeh to Bookkeeper. The commissioners agreed and they wished each of them luck in their new position.
- Chairman Pernice asked for comment on our new employee Bridget Fiorino. Marilyn Seidenberg stated that she was employed by Marlboro Township and she is coming with an extensive background and requires very little training. The commissioners also wished her congratulations and proceeded to the Resolution.
- Chairman Pernice asked for comment on the change order for the Edwards Lane Sewer Repair. Keith Henderson stated that this is the final payment for this project. The project is complete and everything has been inspected by T&M.
- Chairman Pernice asked for comment on our new hire Charles Dalton. Rob Noel stated that he attempted to call him several times and he did not respond. Chairman Pernice stated we should add a resolution rescinding his

employment confirmed by our attorney, John Wisniewski. Resolution 12-80 rescinding the offer of employment to Charles Dalton. Chairman Pernice also requested a certified letter be sent to inform him. The commissioners suggested that Rob Noel look through his previous applications for another employee.

Chairman Pernice asked for comment on the pump station updates. Rob Noel stated that Nolan Road Pump Station has some capacity issues. The pumps deteriorate quickly and need to be rebuilt on a regular basis. Chairman Pernice commented on his tour of the pump stations and made several suggestions, regarding pre-fabricated buildings and fencing. Mr. Pernice stated we should consider solar power for the pump stations as well. Also, Chairman Pernice stated that we must purchase two generators for emergency purposes.

Chairman Pernice asked for a motion on Resolutions 12-73 thru 12-81.

- 12-73 RE Authorizing Public Hearing to Set Connection Fees 2012-2013
- 12-74 Approving Minutes of June 7<sup>th</sup>, 2012
- 12-75 Approving Minutes of June 21<sup>st</sup>, 2012
- 12-76 Promoting Vita Mazzola to Accountant
- 12-77 Promoting Nancy Yeh to Bookkeeper
- 12-78 Hiring Bridge Fiorino for the Accounts Receivable Clerk
- 12-79 Authorizing Change Order #2 for the Edwards Lane Sewer Repair Contract
- 12-80 Rescinding Employment of Charles Dalton
- 12-81 Authorizing General Manager to Prepare Plans and Specifications, Advertise And Receive Bids for Two Installed Generators

Commissioner Rosen moved 12-73, seconded by Commissioner Musich. Upon roll call, the vote was as follows:

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

Commissioner McEnery moved Resolution 12-74, seconded by Commissioner Musich. Upon roll call, the vote was as follows:

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

Commissioner McEnery moved Resolutions 12-75 and 12-76, seconded by Commissioner Rosen. Upon roll call, the vote was as follows:

AYES: Messrs. McEnergy, Musich, Pernice and Rosen  
NAYS: None  
ABSENT: None  
ABSTENTIONS: None

Commissioner Rosen moved Resolutions 12-77 and 12-78, seconded by Commissioner McEnergy. Upon roll call, the vote was as follows.

AYES: Messrs. McEnergy, Musich, Pernice and Rosen  
NAYS: None  
ABSENT: None  
ABSTENTIONS: None

Commissioner Rosen moved Resolution 12-79, seconded by Commissioner Musich. Upon roll call, the vote was as follows:

AYES: Messrs. McEnergy, Musich, Pernice and Rosen  
NAYS: None  
ABSENT: None  
ABSTENTIONS: None

Commissioner Rosen moved Resolution 12-80, seconded by Commissioner McEnergy. Upon roll call, the vote was as follows:

AYES: Messrs. McEnergy, Musich, Pernice and Rosen  
NAYS: None  
ABSENT: None  
ABSTENTIONS: None

Commissioner Musich moved Resolution 12-81, seconded by Commissioner Rosen. Upon roll call, the vote was as follows:

AYES: Messr. McEnergy, Musich, Pernice and Rosen  
NAYS: None  
ABSENT: None  
ABSTENTIONS: None

Chairman Pernice asked if there were any questions on the Bill List. The commissioners had no comments. Commissioner Musich moved the bill list, seconded by Commissioner Rosen. Upon roll call, the vote was as follows:

AYES: Messrs. McEnergy, Musich, Pernice and Rosen  
NAYS: None  
ABSENT: None  
ABSTENTIONS: None

With all Discussion items being addressed, Chairman Pernice asked if there was any other Authority business. Chairman Pernice commented on our shared services agreement with Manalapan regarding our vehicle maintenance. He stated we should not use the agreement for certain issues because some prices are too high. Mr. Pernice said we should ultimately shop around for other vendors. George Kasternakis stated that he will address the vehicle maintenance.

Chairman Pernice commented on the back-up generators. He feels that it is imperative that we purchase generators and utilize the back-up generator as a back-up generator. Tim Gillen commented that the concern is really during a power failure and this could be a potential problem. Resolution 12-81 was added Authorizing the General Manager to prepare plans and specifications, advertise and receive bids for two installed generators.

1. Personnel & Litigation

At 8:17pm, Resolution 12-82, Authorizing the Commissioners to go into Closed Session for the purpose of discussing Litigation and Personnel, and they will not return to Public Session was moved by Commissioner McEnery and seconded by Commissioner Musich. All present voted aye.

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