

EAST WINDSOR MUNICIPAL UTILITIES AUTHORITY

Minutes of Regular Meeting

Thursday, January 19, 2017 @ 7:30 P.M.

The regular monthly meeting of the East Windsor Municipal Utilities Authority was held on Thursday, January 19, 2017 at the Administration Building on Wiltshire Drive and called to order by Vice Chairman Lippman at 7:30 p.m.

The following Members were present:

Marc Lippman
Marc Platizky
Leonard Millner
Steven Kurs
William Lawler (arrived late)
Michael Shifman

Absent: Linda Moore

Also present:

Edwin Schmiere, Esq., of Mason Griffin & Pierson
James Farry, of Mott MacDonald
Ronald Ghrist, Finance Officer
Richard Brand, Executive Director
Clark Wolverton, Wastewater Superintendent
Skip Lovejoy, Water Superintendent
Dolores Borosko, Board Secretary

Vice Chairman Lippman asked for comments from the audience and hearing none moved to applications for service. Mr. Brand stated that there were no applications for this meeting.

Vice Chairman Lippman requests that Mr. Brand give a synopsis of the Twin Rivers Water Main Replacement Project. Mr. Brand stated that we would move forward with the water main replacement plan created 2 years ago. The next section would be the H's. The plan was reviewed and revised based on need and as you can see there have been several main breaks in this section. So the plan is to go out to bid, review the submittals and get back to the Board. Vice Chairman Lippman then added that the Board would consider cost to see if it is feasible. Mr. Brand and Mr. Ghrist are going to meet with the NJEIT to see what type of funding may be available to the Authority and they will report back to the Board.

Mr. Brand spoke briefly about renewal of the policy for the JIF Insurance. Mr. Brand stated that things have worked very well with the agent at Rue Insurance who administers our JIF insurance, which has saved the Authority money. Now it is time for the annual renewal agreement. Mr. Platisky made a motion to renew policy with the JIF through Rue Insurance. The motion was seconded by Mr. Millner and unanimously carried. Copy of renewal agreement will be on file.

Mr. Brand advised the Members that the Authority had received the first half of the payment for participating in the Energy Conservation Program. Participation in this program means that NRG during peak summer hours will request the MUA to run our generators for a half hour to lighten the load on the electric grid. For volunteering to participate in the program NRG sends the MUA a check twice a year. This year's first payment is \$28,500.00 even though we never had to run the generators.

Mr. Millner made the motion to approve Operating bills in the amount of \$136,679.69 and Payroll 1/4/17 in the amount of \$44,853.28, seconded by Mr. Kurs and unanimously carried.

The Operating Report for December was approved and accepted on a motion made by Mr. Platizky, seconded by Mr. Lawler and unanimously approved.

The Development Report for January was approved and accepted on a motion made by Mr. Lawler, seconded by Mr. Kurs, and unanimously carried. When questioned about Seasons Mr. Brand stated that we reviewed the design engineer's fifth submittal and serious concerns remain. The developer has advised that construction activities have been suspended pending better weather. Most likely to resume in the spring. Mr. Brand also informed the Board that he had met with the developer regarding the proposed water main loop from Milford Road to Lake Drive. There being no additional discussion on the development report Vice Chairman Lippman moved to approval and acceptance of the Finance Report.

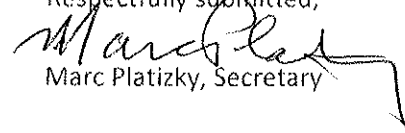
The Finance Officer's Report was approved with a motion made by Mr. Millner, seconded by Mr. Kurs and unanimously carried. Mr. Kurs questioned Mr. Ghrist about the revenues being down compared to this time last year. Mr. Ghrist explained because this was the first billing on the new financial software there were setup issues to address and the bills were mailed out late. Mr. Ghrist assured Mr. Kurs that at this time there are no issues with the software to worry about.

The Attorney's Report was approved with a motion made by Mr. Platizky seconded by Mr. Lawler and unanimously carried.

The Engineer's Report was approved with a motion made by Mr. Lawler, seconded by Mr. Millner and unanimously carried.

There being no additional items to discuss Vice Chairman Lippman adjourned the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,


Marc Platizky, Secretary