

Western Townships Utilities Authority
REGULAR MEETING
Monday, June 22, 2009
WTUA MIDDLE ROUGE CONFERENCE ROOM
40905 Joy Road, Canton, MI 48187

The regular meeting of the Western Townships Utilities Authority Board of Commissioners was held on Monday, June 22, 2009 in the WTUA Middle Rouge Conference Room, 40905 Joy Road, Canton, Michigan 48187. The meeting was called to order at 3:06 p.m. by Chairperson, Philip J. LaJoy.

The first order of business was acceptance of the agenda: Following discussion and upon hearing no objections; it was

R-09-06-49 Resolved to accept the agenda as presented.

Ayes: LaJoy, Henningsen
Nays: None
Absent: Abbo, Reaume

The next order of business was minutes of the regular meeting of May 18, 2009. Following discussion and upon motion by Henningsen supported by LaJoy; it was

R-09-06-50 Resolved to accept the minutes of the regular meeting of May 18, 2009 as presented.

Ayes: LaJoy, Henningsen
Nays: None
Absent: Abbo, Reaume

The next order of business was Treasurer's Report. Following discussion and upon motion by Henningsen supported by LaJoy; it was

R-09-06-51 Resolved to approve the schedule of disbursements for June, 2009 of \$3,330,964.75 and pre-approved payroll for July, 2009 of \$27,101.46.

Ayes: LaJoy, Henningsen
Nays: None
Absent: Abbo, Reaume

The next order of business was Operations and Maintenance Report for the month of May 2009. Following discussion and upon motion by Henningsen supported by LaJoy; it was

R-09-06-52 Resolved to receive and file the Operations and Maintenance Report for the month of May 2009.

Richard Reaume (Plymouth Township) arrived at 3:15 p.m.

Ayes: LaJoy, Reaume, Henningsen

Nays: None

Absent: Abbo

The next order of business was Directors Report for the month of June 2009. Following discussion and upon motion by Henningsen supported by Reaume; it was

R-09-06-53 Resolved to receive and file the Directors Report for the month of June 2009.

Ayes: LaJoy, Reaume, Henningsen

Nays: None

Absent: Abbo

The next order of business was Construction Specialist Employment Contract Renewal: Following discussion and upon motion by Henningsen, supported by Reaume; it was

R-09-06-54 Resolved to concur with the recommendation of the Director of Operations to approve the 12 month optional renewal designated in Jim Grau's contract dated July 1, 2008; thereby allowing Jim Grau to continue to attend the various meetings has been attending the past year.

Ayes: LaJoy, Reaume, Henningsen

Nays: None

Absent: Abbo

The next order of business was General Storm Water Permit; Legal Representation: On May 22, 2008 MDEQ issued new General Stormwater permits to the three Townships. The WTUA Planning Committee had indicated a desire to have WTUA handle the contested cases on behalf of the Townships; therefore, legal representation was required. Request For Qualifications to firms known to be familiar with with the May 22nd permit issuance were sent out to three legal firms (Foster, Swift, Collins & Smith, Butzel-Long and Plunkett Cooney). Charles Dunn from Plunkett Cooney was selected as the legal representative, mainly due to experience and the cost factor as Mr. Dunn represented several other communities, which resulted in a fraction of the normal cost of representation to each community. On May 5, 2009 WTUA received an announcement that Charles Dunn departed from the legal firm of Plunkett Cooney and would now be employed with the legal firm of Giarmarco, Mullins & Horton, P.C., located in Troy, Michigan. Mr. Dunn retained the actual file and will continue to represent the WTUA communities under the law firm of Giarmarco, Mullins & Horton, P.C. On June 16th WTUA received an Attorney-Client Fee Agreement, which allows Mr. Dunn to represent the WTUA communities under the new law firm. The legal charges remain the same. Following discussion and upon motion by Henningsen supported by Reaume; it was resolved that

R-09-05-55 The Director of Operations be allowed to sign the Attorney-Client Fee Agreement for the General Stormwater permits on behalf of the

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WTUA Communities, which will continue the legal representation of Charles Dunn, Esquire.

Ayes: LaJoy, Reaume, Henningsen

Nays: None

Absent: Abbo

The next order of business was public comments: There were none.

The next order of business was Commissioners' Comments: The Board discussed the invoices from Foster, Swift, Collins & Smith.

There being no further business to come before the Board, the regular meeting was adjourned at 3:32 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Philip J. LaJoy
Chairperson