

Western Townships Utilities Authority
REGULAR MEETING
Monday, July 23, 2007
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, July 23, 2007 in the WTUA Middle Rouge Conference Room, 40905 Joy Road, Canton, Michigan 48187. The meeting was called to order at 3:01 p.m. by Chairperson, Thomas J. Yack.

Present:

Thomas Yack
Richard Reaume
Richard Henningsen

Absent:

Mark Abbo

Also present were:

Aaron Sprague WTUA
Jack Polhill CH2MHILL OMI

The first item of business was public comment, non-agenda items: There was none.

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

R-07-07-60 Resolved to accept the agenda as amended; adding Item #VIII(b)
Surge Supression Installation; Middle Rouge Pump Station.

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

The next order of business was minutes of the regular meeting of June 25, 2007. Following discussion and upon motion by Henningsen supported by Reaume; it was

R-07-07-61 Resolved to accept the minutes of the regular meeting of June 25,
2007 as presented.

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

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

R-07-07-62 Resolved to approve the schedule of disbursements for July 2007
of \$1,056,001.35 and pre-approved payroll for August of
\$28,602.96.

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

The next order of business was Operations and Maintenance Report for the month of June 2007. Following discussion and upon motion by Henningsen supported by Reaume; it was

R-07-07-63 Resolved to receive and file the Operations and Maintenance Report for the month of June 2007.

Ayes: Yack, Reaume, Henningsen

Nays: None

Absent:Abbo

The next order of business was Directors Report for the month of July 2007. Following discussion and upon motion by Henningsen supported by Reaume; it was

R-07-07-64 Resolved to receive and file the Directors Report for the month of July 2007.

Ayes: Yack, Reaume, Henningsen

Nays: None

Absent:Abbo

The next order of business was Quarterly Update; Lower Rouge EQ Basin Expansion Design Report: Following discussion and upon motion by Henningsen, supported by Reaume; it was

R-07-07-65 Resolved to receive and file the quarterly update on the Lower Rouge EQ Basin Expansion Design Report.

Ayes: Yack, Reaume, Henningsen

Nays: None

Absent:Abbo

The next order of business was Request For Proposals; MRVI Interceptor Repairs – Project 7 (CIPP Lining Installation) Plymouth Township: In 1997 WTUA began a vigorous program of sewer cleaning and closed circuit television (CCTV) inspection of all the WTUA interceptors. CCTV inspection identifies defects in the interceptors that are corrected by the Authority on an ongoing basis. Project 7 repairs address portions of Hines Drive and the Middle Rouge Pump Station. This portion of the MRVI is extremely deep and substantial portions were constructed of bricks. Following discussion and upon motion by Henningsen, supported by Reaume; it was

R-07-07-66 Resolved to concur with the recommendation of the Director of Operations to advertise for proposals for Project 7 of the Interceptor Repairs Program (CIPP).

Ayes: Yack, Reaume, Henningsen

Nays: None

Absent:Abbo

The next order of business was Surge Supression Installation; Middle Rouge Pump Station: There have been many power quality issues at the Middle Rouge Pump Station that have lead to premature failure of equipment (motors, wiring, computer hardware, etc.). We have suspected that the cause of these issues was external (i.e. DTE Energy supply related), but numerous power studies and power monitoring periods have yielded no concrete evidence as to the actual cause. However, in early to mid-July, we once again had power monitoring equipment in place (to trouble shoot a different issue) which recorded a significant power surge on the feed. I have worked with Stantec and D.F. Best Company (the electrical subcontractor on-site for the screw pump replacement project) to get pricing for purchase and installation of surge suppression hardware in order to protect our equipment going forward. The pricing from D.F. Best also includes some modifications to the controls related to the new capacitor bank to protect it from the potential from harmonica due to the Benshaw soft starts. Following discussion and upon motion by Henningsen supported by Reaume; it was

R-07-07-67 Resolved to concur with the recommendation of the Director of Operations to accept the proposals from D.F. Best Company of Howell, Michigan, for the furnishing and installation of surge protective devices at the Middle Rouge facility, and for the bank control modifications for a total fee not to exceed \$13,463.

Ayes: Yack, Reaume, Henningsen

Nays: None

Absent:Abbo

The next order of business was MMRMA Insurance Policy Renewal. The current policy expired on July 1, 2007. The cost of the premium for our new policy will increase slightly from \$105,730 per year to \$106,039 (an increase of \$309.00) for \$15 million in liability coverage. Following discussion and upon motion by Henningsen supported by Reaume; it was

R-07-07-68 Resolved to concur with the recommendation of the Director of Operations to approve the insurance policy renewal with MMRMA for the 2007/2008 coverage period at an annual premium of \$106,039; and Further, that the Director of Operations sign the policy on behalf of the Authority as the member representative.

Ayes: Yack, Reaume, Henningsen

Nays: None

Absent:Abbo

The next order of business was YCUA Plant Expansion Update. Following discussion and upon motion by Henningsen supported by Reaume; it was

R-07-07-69 Resolved to receive and file the report on the YCUA expansion project from the Director of Operations .

Ayes: Yack, Reaume, Henningsen

Nays: None

Absent:Abbo

The next order of business was Commissioners' Comments: Richard Reaume (Plymouth Township) inquired as to whether the Rouge Valley System rate for DWSD was \$9.80 and Aaron Sprague (Director of Operations) responded that yes \$9.80 is the rate that we pay. Also, Richard Reaume asked if WTUA would be attending the CWW visit to the DWSD Operations Center and Aaron Sprague responded that WTUA was not invited.

There being no further business to come before the Board, the regular meeting was adjourned at 3:47 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Thomas J. Yack
Chairperson