

UPPER MACUNGIE TOWNSHIP AUTHORITY

The monthly meeting of the Township Authority was held on March 13, 2014 at 4:00 PM in the Municipal Building. Those present were Chm. Edward J. Earley, V-C Samir P. Ashmar, Treasurer Barry L. Moyer, Sec. Owen M. Bastian, Member David Reimert, Manager Richard W. Henderson, Solicitor Andrew Schantz, Project Manager Joseph N. Santilli and DPW Scott Faust. Chm. Earley asked all present to join him in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States.

Chm. Earley stated that the minutes of the previous meeting would not be read unless there was some objection. Upon motion by Vice-Chairman Samir P. Ashmar, seconded by Chm. Edward J. Earley and unanimously approved the minutes of the previous meeting were approved as presented.

Bills for the previous months reviewed.were: Upon a motion by Chm. Earley, seconded by V-C Ashmar and unanimously approved the bills for the month of January, \$225,114.47, February \$1,085,808.33 and March \$91,573.84 are all approved for payment..

Public Comments - None

Project Manager Santilli - Six bids have been received for Contract A for the 2014 Sanitary Sewer System Rehabilitation Project - Cured-in-place pipe lining. The prices range from a low of \$273,195 to a high of \$553,850. The price is excellent, about \$26. a foot. Manager Henderson said the price is under what the State COSTARS price is and he would like to extend the contract at that price. if acceptable to the contractor and the Township Solicitor. Upon a motion by V-C Ashmar, seconded by Reimert and unanimously approved the low bid of Allstate Power Vac Inc. of Rahway. N.J. for the sum of \$273,195 is hereby accepted.

Manager Henderson - There are some delinquents on the Township books, he is not willing to write them off as uncollectible and liens have been placed against the properties.

Manager Henderson - Werley Road extension a long discussion. The cost for a single residence if distributed among the residents could be up to \$20,000 for a residence. The businesses need the sewer service. At the apartments you could run the line up to the front door and let EPA/DEP force the hook-up. Upon a motion by V-C Ashmar, seconded by Reimert and unanimously approved the UMTA will extend sewer service to Oak View Service Area without assessment. The Authority will advertise for bids

The need for an Authority credit card reviewed. Upon a motion by V-C Ashmar, seconded by Reimert and unanimously approved the Authority will obtain a credit card for the Manager. A future replacement for Manager Henderson discussed. Upon a motion by V-C Ashmar, seconded by Chm. Earley and unanimously approved Manager Henderson is asked to explore possible options for his eventual retirement.

Solicitor Schantz briefly discussed delinquent accounts. The Township has taken bad accounts to the local magistrate. Off-times they fail to appear and the magistrate will file a judgment against them.

Purchase of truck and back-hoe - Manager Henderson discussed the need for a new pick-up truck and back-hoe. He said both are available thru the State purchase program "COSTARS". After discussing the need and type of equipment needed Upon a motion by Chm. Earley, seconded by VC Ashmar and unanimously approved it was approved for the Authority to purchase both a new pick-up truck and a new back-hoe and trade in the existing equipment thru "COSTARS" all as per the 2014 Capital Budget of the Authority.

Manager Henderson reported that in the future the Authority will meet the second Thursday of every month at 4 P.M. in the Municipal Building. The next meeting is April 10, 2014.

Owen M. Bastian, Authority Secretary