

UPPER MACUNGIE TOWNSHIP AUTHORITY

The monthly meeting of the Township Authority was held on October 9, 2014 at 4:00 PM in the Municipal Building. Those present were Chm. Edward J. Earley, Vice-Chairman Sam Ashmar, Treasurer Barry L. Moyer, David Reimert, Sec. Owen M. Bastian, Manager Richard W. Henderson, BOS Chairman James M. Brunell, BOS Secretary Kathy A. Rader, Township Manager Daniel P. Olpere, Solicitor Andrew Schantz, and Project Manager Joseph N. Santilli.

Chm. Earley asked all present to join him in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States.

MEETING MINUTES -Chm. Earley stated that the minutes of the previous meeting would not be read unless there was some objection. Upon a motion by Ashmar, seconded by Earley and unanimously approved the minutes of the previous meeting are approved as presented, Manager Henderson reported a slight change in the minutes of the September 11th meeting, in the report of the Engineer the line should be changed to read "Manhole rehab project found huge leaks in the lateral on Route 100 by the old Hess Gas Station".

Secretary Bastian stated that he will be retiring effective December 31, 2014.

FINANCIAL DISCUSSION - The bills for the month of September were then reviewed. Upon a motion by Reimert, seconded by Ashmar, and unanimously approved the Treasurer is authorized to pay the bills for the month of September in the amount of \$139,325.00.

CORRESPONDENCE - NONE

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-AUTHORITY MANAGER - Richard Henderson - The need for new equipment was discussed. The manager explained that the Authority buys new equipment and trades the old with only a few years of service. Oft times the trade-in value is more than the Authority pays for the equipment. This year the Authority needs a new truck, value about \$165,000, a tar kettle, value about \$47,000 and a new Muffin Monster, about \$35,000. A motion was made to buy the Muffin Monster and after discussion the motion was withdrawn. V-C Ashmar said he feels the motion was premature and the new equipment should be placed in the 2015 budget. He has no objection to their purchase only to the method being used for the purchase, all agreed. Sewer rates were then discussed. Manager Henderson feels that rates could remain the same in 2015 and raised in 2016 or 2017.

AUTHORITY ENGINEER'S REPORT - The Willow St. project should start about October 15th.

The next meeting is scheduled on Thursday November 13, 2014 at 4:00 PM.

Owen M. Bastian, Authority Secretary