MOUNT HOLLY MUNICIPAL UTILITIES AUTHORITY REGULAR MEETING AUGUST 11, 2011

The regular meeting of the Mount Holly Municipal Utilities Authority was held at 37 Washington Street on Thursday, August 11, 2011; at 6:00 PM. Chairman Edwards called the meeting to order with the following roll call:

PRESENT: Mr. Jules K. Thiessen, Commissioner

Ms. Jacquelyn Perinchief, Commissioner

Robert Silcox, Vice Chairman Mr. John R. Edwards, Chairman

ALSO William G. Dunn, Executive Director PRESENT: Stephen J. Mushinski, Esq., Solicitor

Tracey Giordano, Deputy Director of Finance and Administration

Andrew Doyle, Assistant Executive Director

Anthony Stagliano, Deputy Director of Regulatory Affairs

Robert Maybury, Operations Manager

Richard A. Alaimo, Engineer, R.A. Alaimo Associates Keith Weisman, Engineer, R.A. Alaimo Associates

Brooke Tidswell, Treasurer Debra E. Fortner, Secretary

ABSENT: Mr. Jason Carty, Commissioner

VERIFICATION OF NOTICE

Executive Director Dunn verified that "In compliance with the Open Public Meetings Act, this is to announce that adequate notice of this meeting was provided in the following manner: Notice of this meeting was published in the Burlington County Times on February 14th, 2011, April 20th, 2011, July 27, 2011, and the Courier Post on February 15th, 2011, April 20th, 2011, and July 27, 2011. On Monday, August 8th, 2011, advanced written notice of this meeting was posted on the Administrative Bulletin Board at the Township Building and advanced written notice of this meeting was mailed to all persons who, according to the records of the Authority, requested such notice."

MANDATORY AFFIRMATIVE ACTION COMPLIANCE NOTICE

Any contracts awarded tonight, and between now and the next meeting, the contractor, company or firm must comply with the requirements of N.J.S.A. 10:5-31 et seq. (P.L. 1975, C.127) N.J.A.C. 17:27.

PLEDGE OF ALLIEGIENCE TO THE FLAG

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Commissioner Silcox moved for the approval of regular minutes of July 20, 2011. Commissioner Thiessen seconded the motion. Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS

A RESOLUTION OF THE MOUNT HOLLY MUNICIPAL UTILITIES AUTHORITY AUTHORIZING ENGINEERING SERVICES CONTRACT WITH THE ALAIMO GROUP FOR SOLAR ELECTRIC RENEWABLE ENERGY SYSTEM

Executive Director Dunn stated he has conducted a significant amount of research on solar power. Mr. Dunn reported he has concluded the benefits to the authority from this project would range from \$21,000.00 for the worst case scenario to \$81,000.00 for the most reasonable conditions. He would like to move within the next 10-14 days since developers would like to be able to get at least 5% of the solar project completed by the end of 2011 in order to receive the 30% cash benefits versus tax benefits in subsequent years. Mr. Dunn recommended awarding the project to R.A. Alaimo Associates since they were the lowest bidder. However, he would like to have a commitment by R. A. Alaimo Associates that there would be no increases in the price after the project is awarded and he wants the RFP out in two weeks or less.

Richard A. Alaimo, of R.A. Alaimo Associates, stated that they would proceed with the project but he does not want to go into the marketplace at the moment since it is very uncertain. Mr. Alaimo said the proposals could be prepared immediately but he suggests sitting tight right now since it is a difficult time to get bids and there is still plenty of time until the end of the year. Mr. Dunn responded he wishes to go out to bid immediately in order for contractors to qualify for incentives as stated earlier.

Commissioner Thiessen asked why there was such a range of the amounts in the proposals. Mr. Alaimo stated it is because the RFP did not include all variables.

Commissioner Silcox moved for the approval of <u>Resolution 2011-79</u> Commissioner Thiessen seconded the motion. At the call of the roll, the vote was:

AYES: Commissioner Thiessen, Commissioner Perinchief, Commissioner Silcox,

Chairman Edwards

NAYS: None

NEW BUSINESS

RESOLUTION 2011-77

A RESOLUTION OF THE MOUNT HOLLY MUNICIPAL UTILITIES AUTHORITY AUTHORIZING THE RENEWAL OF MEMBERSHIP IN THE NEW JERSEY UTILITY AUTHORITIES JOINT INSURANCE FUND

Commissioner Silcox moved for the approval of <u>Resolution 2011-77</u>. Commissioner Perinchief seconded the motion. At the call of the roll, the vote was:

AYES: Commissioner Thiessen, Commissioner Perinchief, Commissioner Silcox,

Chairman Edwards

NAYS: None

A RESOLUTION OF THE MOUNT HOLLY MUNICIPAL UTILITIES AUTHORITY AUTHORIZING FOURTH AMENDMENT TO CONSULTING ENGINEERING SERVICES CONTRACT WITH THE ALAIMO GROUP FOR THE UPGRADE AND EXPANSION OF ITS WASTEWATER TREATMENT FACILITIES

Executive Director Dunn explained this amendment is a result of R. A. Alaimo Engineering taking over the work at the Maple Avenue Site AE COM did not complete. Solicitor Mushinski reminded the board there had been a dispute with AE COM. The dispute was settled to avoid going to litigation. As a result of the settlement there was a bit of an over run in costs resulting in this amendment.

Commissioner Silcox moved for the approval of <u>Resolution 2011-78</u>. Commissioner Thiessen seconded the motion. At the call of the roll, the vote was:

AYES: Commissioner Thiessen, Commissioner Perinchief, Commissioner Silcox,

Chairman Edwards

NAYS: None

RESOLUTION 2011-72

A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE MONTH OF JULY 2011

Commissioner Silcox moved for the approval of <u>Resolution 2011-72</u>. Commissioner Thiessen seconded the motion. At the call of the roll, the vote was:

AYES: Commissioner Thiessen, Commissioner Perinchief, Commissioner Silcox,

Chairman Edwards

NAYES: None

RESOLUTION 2011-72A

A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE SEWER REFUNDS FOR THE MONTH OF JULY 2011

Commissioner Silcox moved for the approval of <u>Resolution 2011-72A</u> Commissioner Thiessen seconded the motion. At the call of the roll, the vote was:

AYES: Commissioner Thiessen, Commissioner Perinchief, Commissioner Silcox, Chairman Edwards

NAYS: None

RESOLUTION 2011-73

A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE EXPENDITURES FOR THE MONTH OF JULY 2011 FROM THE ESCROW FUND

Commissioner Thiessen moved for the approval of <u>Resolution 2011-73</u>. Commissioner Silcox seconded the motion. At the call of the roll, the vote was:

AYES: Commissioner Thiessen, Commissioner Perinchief, Commissioner Silcox,

Chairman Edwards

NAYS: None

A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE EXPENDITURES FOR THE MONTH OF JULY 2011 FROM THE IMPROVEMENT AND REPLACEMENT FUND

Commissioner Silcox moved for the approval of <u>Resolution 2011-74</u>. Commissioner Thiessen seconded the motion. At the call of the roll, the vote was:

AYES: Commissioner Thiessen, Commissioner Perinchief, Commissioner Silcox, Chairman Edwards

NAYS: None

RESOLUTION 2011-75

A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE EXPENDITURES FOR THE MONTH OF JULY 2011 FROM THE 2007-2010 PROJECT CONSTRUCTION FUND (PLANT EXPANSION)

Commissioner Thiessen moved for the approval of <u>Resolution 2011-75</u>. Commissioner Silcox seconded the motion. At the call of the roll, the vote was:

AYES: Commissioner Thiessen, Commissioner Perinchief, Commissioner Silcox, Chairman Edwards.

NAYS: None

RESOLUTION 2011-76

A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE EXPENDITURES FOR THE MONTH OF JULY 2011 FROM THE 2007-2010 CONSTRUCTION FUND (EDWARD STREET PUMP STATION)

Commissioner Silcox moved for the approval of <u>Resolution 2011-76.</u> Commissioner Thiessen seconded the motion. At the call of the roll, the vote was:

AYES: Commissioner Thiessen, Commissioner Perinchief, Commissioner Silcox, Chairman Edwards

NAYS: None

COMMUNICATIONS

Executive Director Dunn stated the stoppage issue on Pine Street, as outlined in the letter included in the Commissioners packets, is now in the hands of the insurance company.

Executive Director Dunn reported that he has not had any response to a letter he sent to Mount Holly Township regarding potential damage to Washington Street.

MATTERS TO BE PRESENTED BY THE PUBLIC

There were no matters to be presented by the public.

REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

There was nothing further for the Executive Director to report.

REPORT OF THE ENGINEER

The report of the Engineer was received.

REPORT OF THE DEPUTY DIRECTOR FOR PLANT OPERATIONS

The report of the Deputy Director for Plant Operations was received.

REPORT OF THE DEPUTY DIRECTOR FOR REGULATORY AFFAIRS

The Report of the Deputy Director for Regulatory Affairs was received.

REPORT OF THE SOLICITOR

Solicitor Mushinski stated he has one item for closed session.

REPORT OF THE DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION

The Report of the Deputy Director of Finance and Administration was received.

REPORT OF TREASURER

Treasurer Tidswell stated it is time to think about putting a committee together to work on the 2012 Budget. Commissioner Thiessen and Chairman Edwards volunteered to respresent the board on the committee.

AUTHORITY STATUS REPORT OF NEW TREATMENT FACILITY

There was nothing further to report in regards to the status of the new treatment facility.

OTHER NEW BUSINESS

There was no other new business.

MATTERS TO BE PRESENTED BY THE COMMISSIONERS

Commissioner Thiessen stated he has personally smelled odors in the vicinity of the Edward Street Pump Station and requested the matter be researched further.

Chairman Edwards noted correspondence had been received from Commissioner Carty requesting an excused absence for the July and August board meetings.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Commissioner Silcox moved for the approval of <u>Resolution 2011-80.</u> Commissioner Thiessen seconded the motion.

At 6:29 PM the Authority Commissioners retired to Executive Session for a discussion of a grievance under a collective bargaining agreement.

AUTHORIZING EXECUTIVE SESSION OF THE MOUNT HOLLY MUNICIPAL UTILITIES AUTHORITY FOR THE PURPOSE OF DISCUSSION OF A GRIEVANCE UNDER A COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENT

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 10:4-12 allows for a Public Body to go into closed session during a Public Meeting; and

WHEREAS, the Mount Holly Municipal Utilities Authority has deemed it necessary to go into closed session to discuss certain matters which are exempted from public discussion; and

WHEREAS, the regular meeting of this Authority will reconvene following closed session;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Mount Holly Township Municipal Utilities Authority will go into closed session for the following reasons as outlined in N.J.S.A. 10:4-12:

Discussions pertaining to a grievance filed by Wayne Gaskill under the Collective Bargaining Agreement with the Construction and General Laborer's Union.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Authority hereby declares that its discussion of the aforementioned subject may be made public at a time when the Authority Attorney advises the Authority that the disclosure of the discussion will not detrimentally affect any right, interest or duty of the Authority or any other entity with respect to said discussion.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Authority, for the aforementioned reasons, hereby declares that the public is excluded from the portion of the meeting during which the above discussion shall take place and hereby directs the Secretary to take the appropriate action to effectuate the terms of this resolution.

AYES: Commissioner Perinchief, Commissioner Thiessen, Commissioner Silcox, Chairman Edwards

NAYS:

The Authority Commissioners returned to regular session at 6:40 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Debra E. Fortner, Secretary

A RESOLUTION OF THE MOUNT HOLLY MUNCIPAL UTILITIES AUTHORTY DENYING A GRIEVANCE UNDER A COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENT

Commissioner Silcox moved for the approval of <u>Resolution 2011-81.</u> Commissioner Thiessen seconded the motion. At the call of the roll, the vote was:

AYES: Commissioner Thiessen, Commissioner Perinchief, Commissioner Silcox,

Chairman Edwards

NAYES: None

ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Silcox moved for adjournment. Commissioner Thiessen seconded the motion. Chairman Edwards adjourned the meeting at 6:40 P.M

Respectfully submitted,

Debra E. Fortner