

JACKSON TWP WATER AUTHORITY  
(JTWA)

July 24, 2012

**CALL TO ORDER**

WALTER DITCHCREEK, CHAIRMAN, OPENED THE MEETING WITH A PRAYER AND THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE. Others board members in attendance were John Walle, Secretary; Ray Dodson, Treasurer; and Robb Piper, Vice-Chairman. Others present were Pat Mulchay, EADS Group Engineer; Karl Smith, Foreman; Debra Buksa, Office Manager; Jim Deter, CPA and Jim Lauffer, reporter for the Nanty Glo Journal. Township resident, Ed Smith also attended.

Walter announced that an executive session, regarding potential litigation, will follow directly after the business part of the meeting is completed.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

Mr. Smith reiterated his concern over the TTHM's results listed in the annual CCR report. He feels that some of the wording in the CCR trivializes the results and should be reworded. He understands that this problem stems from the Nanty Glo Water Authority and suggests that JTWA send a letter to NGWA stating our concern regarding the TTHMs. He also referenced the effects of one's water supply from Devra Davis's book, *War on Cancer*. In summation, he is asking that JTWA be an advocate for a safe and clean water supply.

**APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES:**

**ON MOTION BY ROBB SECOND BY RAY AND APPROVED BY ALL TO ACCEPT THE MINUTES OF JUNE 26, 2012 ONCE THE NOTED CLARIFICATIONS ARE MADE.**

**ENGINEER'S REPORT** (Pat Mulchay)

Reports attached.

*Swigle Project:*

\* final requisition (#10) in amount of \$208,208.12 has finally been approved. This has taken almost 1 year.

\* hydrant repair –claim sent to DT construction's bonding company still pending

*Chickaree Hill Road PRS:*

Bid awarded to Ligonier Construction – scheduled start date August.

**SOLICITOR'S REPORT:** (CJ Webb)

The solicitor was not in attendance.

**CPA REPORT:** (Jim Deter)

The 5-month Statements of Income were distributed (attached)

***ON MOTION BY JOHN SECOND BY RAY AND APPROVED BY ALL TO ACCEPT THE 5-MONTH STATEMENT OF INCOME.***

**FOREMAN'S REPORT:** (Karl Smith)

Karl read his monthly report. He explained the situation with the roof at the Ford's Corner tank. In one spot the seam is lifting and the rest of the bad spots are where water lays on the roof. The rep from Bellzona wants to lift the bad spots and put down new roofing material. The board asked the engineer (Pat) what he thought. Pat feels that it is a good product and this is the best option right now.

John asked Karl if the 1' fire hydrant extension by AMfire was requested or a necessity? Karl and Pat both stated that it was a necessity.

**OFFICE MANAGER'S REPORT:**

Attached

**PAYMENT OF JUNE'S BILLS:**

***ON MOTION BY ROBB, 2<sup>ND</sup> BY JOHN AND APPROVED BY ALL TO PAY JUNE'S BILLS.***

**CORRESPONDENCE:**

Attached

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Karl informed the board that Mr. Burkett (customer) from Woodland Street had filed a claim with the Better Business Bureau. His water heater no longer worked after JTWA flushed the lines. He put in a claim for \$750.00. Selective Insurance is investigating the incident.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

***ON MOTION BY WALT 2<sup>ND</sup> BY JOHN APPROVED BY ALL TO MOVE MONIES FROM REVENUE ACCOUNT TO FNB IN THE AMOUNT OF \$4,567.44.***

The board still needs to meet with Karl and David concerning Health Insurance.

John will look into the status of the fire hydrant agreement.

No update on the Martina Lane line extension as of today.

The board went into executive session at 7:55 pm to discuss possible litigation, returning with no formal action taking place at 8:14pm.

**ADJORNMENT:**

***ON MOTION BY WALTER, SECOND BY ROBB AND APPROVED BY ALL TO ADJORN AT 8:15 PM.***