

1.00 GENERAL

1.01 DESCRIPTION

A. The CONTRACTOR shall furnish all labor, materials, and equipment required to construct a water main and necessary appurtenant work as herein specified. The water main shall be installed in the locations as shown on the Plans and shall meet all acceptance tests.

1.02 NOTIFICATION

- A. CONTRACTOR shall notify the ENGINEER and the Pittsfield Township Utilities Department at (734) 882-2110, 24 hours prior to flushing or chlorination of the water main.
- B. CONTRACTOR shall schedule bacteriological testing with the ENGINEER 48 hours prior.
- C. CONTRACTOR shall notify the ENGINEER and the Pittsfield Township Utilities Department 48 hours prior to connecting to an existing water main.

1.03 SUBMITTALS

A. The CONTRACTOR shall submit shop drawings or data sheets for all pipe, manholes, manhole castings, pipe to manhole connections, valves, hydrants and the B-1 Poly Pig. The Contractor shall submit a certification letter for all pipe proposed on the project. The letters shall contain the following: Contractor name, project name, Township name, current date, certification of pipe provided and letterhead of the certifying company.

1.04 TESTING

A. General
1. CONTRACTOR shall furnish all equipment and personnel to conduct system acceptance tests as specified herein. All tests shall be conducted under the supervision of the ENGINEER. All water mains, branches and valves shall be subject to cleaning with a poly-pig, hydrostatic pressure testing, disinfection and bacteriological testing. No acceptance tests shall be conducted until the water main has been installed and backfilled for not less than 30 days. A copy of all test results shall be furnished to the ENGINEER.

2. Hydrostatic pressure testing must be performed in accordance with ANSI/AWWA C600. Disinfection and bacteriological testing must be performed in accordance with ANSI/AWWA C651.

3. CONTRACTOR shall furnish all material and labor to provide for an acceptable full size blow-off to flush the poly-pigs out of the main at the far end of the project not connected to the existing system.

4. Should the results of any test fail to meet the criteria established in this Specification, the CONTRACTOR shall, at his own expense, locate and repair the rejected section and retest until it is within the specified allowance.

5. Only Pittsfield Township personnel or the CONTRACTOR under direct supervision of Pittsfield Township personnel may fill or flush lines.

B. Preparation
1. After the pipe has been laid and backfilled as specified, the CONTRACTOR shall fill the line, or a valve section thereof, to be tested with water in such a manner as to expel all air from the pipe. This may be done through fire hydrants at the high points; or, if no hydrant is available at such point, the CONTRACTOR shall make the taps necessary to accomplish the expulsion of all air. At the close of the test, all taps shall be satisfactorily plugged with brass plugs.

C. Sequence
1. All water mains connected to an existing water system shall be flushed, swabbed, chlorinated and bacteriological tested prior to pressure testing. The sequence for acceptance testing shall be:

- a. Flushing with approved B-1 Poly-Pig
- b. Chlorination
- c. Flushing
- d. Bacteriological Testing
- e. Pressure Testing

2. Where mains can be totally isolated from the existing water system with airgaps, pressure testing shall precede chlorination and bacteriological testing. The sequence for acceptance testing shall be:

- a. Pressure Testing
- b. Connect to System
- c. Flushing with approved B-1 Poly Pig
- d. Chlorination
- e. Flushing
- f. Bacteriological Testing

3. If a hydrostatic pressure test fails, the chlorination and flushing process must be repeated after repairs to the system are completed.

D. Flushing

1. All flushing will be conducted by the TOWNSHIP with clean potable water until the water runs clear.

E. Chlorination

1. All new mains and pipe or any existing mains contaminated by the CONTRACTOR shall be chlorinated to a minimum residual chlorine concentration of fifty (50) parts per million with commercial liquid chlorine solution or approved equal. The chlorinated water shall be allowed to stand in the mains for 24 hours. The end of the 24-hour period the chlorinated water at all parts of the mains shall show a free available chlorine residual of not less than twenty-five (25) parts per million. If less than twenty-five (25) parts per million residual is shown at the end of the first 24 hours period, additional chlorine shall be added until a residual of not less than twenty-five (25) parts per million at all parts of the system is shown after a subsequent 24 hour period. The chlorinated water shall then be removed from the mains and the mains flushed with potable water for bacteriological testing. No flushing shall take place between the two required bacteriological testing.

F. Bacteriological Testing

1. The Pittsfield Township Utilities Department will take bacteriological samples of the water in the mains for analysis at two different times. The first samples will be taken 24 hours after the mains have been satisfactorily chlorinated, flushed and filled with potable water. The second sample will be taken 24 hours later. Each sample will be incubated for 48 hours. No flushing shall be done during or between tests, unless supervised and approved by ENGINEER. Two sets of safe consecutive bacteriological samples, collected at least 24 hours apart, must be obtained before placing the water main in service.

2. The CONTRACTOR shall provide a sufficient number of corporation cocks and copper tubing for taking samples. Samples shall not be collected from hoses or fire hydrants.

3. Bacteriological testing must begin on Mondays to allow Pittsfield Township personnel and the testing laboratory a full work week to conduct the testing.

G. Hydrostatic Pressure Testing

1. The CONTRACTOR shall pressure test sections of water main as sections of 2,000 feet or less unless otherwise authorized by the ENGINEER. When permitted to test lengths in excess of 2,000 feet, only the allowable leakage for 2,000 feet will be permitted.

2. All water mains shall be subjected to a hydrostatic pressure of 150 psi based on the elevation of the lowest point in the system. The main shall be maintained under the test pressure for a minimum continuous period of two (2) hours by pumping potable water into the line at frequent intervals. The volume of water so added shall be measured and considered to include the leakage from the main. No pipeline installed will be accepted until the leakage measured is less than 0.092 gallons per inch diameter of the pipe per 1 hour per 1,000 feet.

3. In the event that the leakage exceeds the specified amount, the main shall be carefully inspected for leaks and repaired as necessary. Any cracked or defective pipe, fittings, valves or hydrants discovered shall be removed and replaced with sound material and the test repeated to the satisfaction of the ENGINEER.

4. If the CONTRACTOR chooses to pressure test against an existing valve he assumes the responsibility of meeting the leakage requirements. The CONTRACTOR may at his discretion provide a physical break and cutting in sleeve for pressure testing.

5. Temporary connections (jumpers) between existing water mains and the newly constructed system for testing purposes, shall include a reduced zone backflow preventer to prevent backflow and possible contamination of the public water.

H. Material Tests

1. The CONTRACTOR shall have test of pipe and strength made by an independent testing laboratory. Tests of up to 4 lengths of water main per hundred lengths may be required to show compliance with the Specifications. All pipe delivered to the job site shall be accompanied with a manufacturer's certificate of compliance to the specifications.

2.00 PRODUCTS

A. All products shall be consistent with the current component part submittal sheet posted on the Township website.

2.01 PIPE AND FITTINGS

A. Ductile-iron pipe water main shall meet all the requirements of the latest revision of ANSI/AWWA C151/A21.51. Pipe shall be furnished in eighteen-foot or twenty-foot lengths, unless otherwise required. All joints, to include joints for fittings, valves and hydrants, must be of the push on joint type and compatible nylon joint gaskets. Ductile iron pipe must be designed in accordance with the latest revision of ANSI/AWWA C150/A21.50 to meet requirements for Pressure Class 350.

B. Ductile iron pipe and fittings shall be double-cement lined with an approved bituminous seal coat in accordance with ANSI/AWWA C104/A21.4.

C. Ductile iron fittings shall meet all the requirements of the latest revision of ANSI/AWWA C110/A21.10 for full body fittings and ANSI/AWWA C153/A21.53 for compact fittings for a minimum working pressure of 250 psi and be of the push-on joint type. Flugs, where shown on the plans, shall be solid mechanical joint plug type.

D. Restrained mechanical joints of the wedge action type shall use a follower gland and shall include a restraining mechanism which, when activated, impart multiple wedging action against the pipe, increasing its resistance as the pressure increases. Twist off nuts shall be used to insure proper actuating of the restraining device. Restrained mechanical joints for ductile iron pipe shall be Megalug, Series 1100, or approved equal. Mechanical joints shall be in conformity with the requirements of the latest revision of the ANSI/AWWA C111/A21.11. Bolts and nuts must be type 304 stainless steel.

E. Push-on joints shall meet all requirements of ANSI/AWWA C111/A21.11. Push-on joints shall consist of a ductile-iron bell provided with a recess to receive a circular molder rubber gasket to effect the joint seal. A rubber gasket and sufficient lubricant to assemble the joint shall be furnished with each joint. The lubricant shall have no deleterious effect upon the color, taste or odor of potable water and shall not be corrosive to either the pipe or gasket. Pipe furnished with push-on type joints shall be equal in strength and leak tightness to pipe furnished with mechanical joints as specified when installed under identical conditions, and shall meet all other requirements of these specifications. In addition to the above requirements, the gasket and lubricant shall conform to the latest revision of ANSI/AWWA C111/A21.11. When it is necessary to utilize a locking mechanism for a push-on joint upstream or downstream of a restrained mechanical joint, field-lok gaskets or equal shall be utilized and shall be used in conformance with DIPRA Standards for restraint distance from a restrained mechanical joint fitting.

F. All pipe and fittings shall be manufactured in the United States of America.

G. The ENGINEER shall witness the delivery and unloading of all pipe and collect the appropriate manufacturer's certificate of compliance per Section 1.04 of this Specification.

2.02 VALVES

A. All valves installed under this Specification shall conform to the applicable requirements of ANSI/AWWA C500, C504 and C509 standards governing construction materials and workmanship. Each valve shall carry the name or trademark of the manufacturer. All valves shall have operating nuts that turn to the right (clockwise) to open.

B. Resilient-Seated Gate Valves

1. Resilient seated gate valves shall conform to the applicable requirements of ANSI/AWWA C515. Valves shall have a minimum working pressure of 250 psi. The gate shall be ductile iron encased in a bonded synthetic rubber to form resilient seating surfaces. Stem shall be bronze with a non-rising design and double O-ring packing. Joints shall be push-on type.

2. Resilient Seated Gate Valves shall be manufactured by American Flow Control or Clow.

C. Tapping Sleeves and Valves

1. Tapping sleeves shall be full length of heavy-duty stainless steel construction designed for use with the type of pipe to be tapped. Tapping sleeve flange and body shall be type 304 stainless steel. Bolts and nuts shall be 304 stainless steel. Gasket shall be full circumferential SBR compounded for water service. Tapping sleeve shall contain a test plug to assure seal prior to tapping. Tapping sleeve shall be JCM Industries 432; Romac Industries SST, Ford FAST, Powerseal 3490AS; Dresser 630 or equal.

2. Tapping valves shall meet the specifications for gate valves except that the valve shall have a flange compatible with the tapping sleeve.

3. The tapping sleeves and valves shall be subjected to a hydrostatic pressure of 200 psi. The sleeves and valves shall be maintained under pressure for a minimum continuous period of 5 minutes by pumping potable water into the sleeve. Upon any visual leakage observed by the ENGINEER, the tapping sleeve and valve shall be removed and replaced, and the test repeated at the CONTRACTOR'S expense to the satisfaction of the ENGINEER.

D. Corporation Stops

1. Corporation stops used for insertion into mains shall be ball valve type. All stops shall have no lead brass bodies, keys, stem washers and nuts. Inlet threads shall conform to the latest revision of AWWA C800. The outlet connection shall be of the compression type to receive copper service pipe.

E. Valve Boxes

1. Valves boxes shall be 5-1/4-inch and be of cast-iron construction. They shall be of three-piece, screw-type adjustment design. All valve boxes shall be installed flush with the top of the proposed site grade. Cover shall be designed to be removed easily to provide access to the valve. The base shall not rest upon the valve assembly. Valve boxes shall be Tyler 8680 Item DD with number 6 base, or equal.

F. Valve Extensions

1. All gate valves with operating nuts at a distance greater than 6.5 feet below ground surface shall be provided with an extension stem. The length of the extension stem shall reach within 6.5 feet of the ground surface. Details of the extension system and method of installation shall be approved by the ENGINEER prior to installation.

G. Post Indicators and Valves

1. Post indicators, when specified, shall be American Flow Control series A240 or Clow series 2945A with aluminum plates indicating OPEN and SHUT. Post indicators shall open left.

2. Post indicator valves shall be American Flow Control Model 2500 or Clow model F-6120. All valves shall open left.

3. Post indicators and their corresponding valves must be made by the same manufacturer.

4. Bollards must be placed to protect post indicators, except as specified by the ENGINEER.

5. Bollards shall be 4-inch diameter galvanized schedule 40 steel posts 36 to 48 inches high with minimum depth of 24 inches. The posts shall be set in and filled with 3000 psi concrete. Bollards protecting hydrants and PIVs shall be painted red.

2.03 GATEWELLS

A. Gatewells shall conform to the latest revision of ASTM C478 for Precast Reinforced Concrete Manhole Sections. Section joints shall be rubber gasketed and shall conform to ASTM C990. Cone sections shall be eccentric, with an offset step configuration.

B. All gatewell components shall have the name of the manufacturer stenciled on the inside. The lettering shall be a minimum of 4-inches high.

C. Gatewells constructed over an existing water main shall have a doghouse mudded to an 8-inch thick cookie. All other gatewells shall have precast integral base sections.

D. Mortar for masonry or plastering outside of gatewells shall be made of one part of Portland Cement to two parts fine aggregate. Mortar materials and mixing shall correspond, in general, to those for concrete. All openings in gate wells shall be closed with brick and mortar in a manner that will make them watertight.

E. Gatewell steps shall be reinforced polypropylene coated steel. They shall be M.A. Industries models PS1-PF or PS1-B, or approved equal.

2.04 GATEWELL FRAMES AND COVERS

A. Gatewell frames and covers shall weigh not less than 350 lbs. Each frame and cover shall have machined bearing surfaces and shall be suitable notched for convenient removal of the cover.

B. Frames and covers shall be East Jordan Iron Works Model 1040Z frame with 1040 A cover. Each cover shall have the Pittsfield Township logo and the letters "PITTSFIELD TWP WATER" cast integrally into the cover.

C. All frames and covers shall be coated at the place of manufacturer with coal tar pitch varnish or other asphaltum coating approved by the ENGINEER.

2.05 GATEWELL CONNECTIONS

A. Water pipe to gate well connections shall be through a watertight flexible pipe-to-manhole connector, which shall be securely clamped into a core-drilled port. Pipe ports shall be core-drilled at the point of manufacturer and shall be accurately located within 1/2-inch of the proposed water main centerline. Flexible pipe-to-manhole connectors shall meet the requirements of ASTM C923 and shall be NFC, Kon-N-Seal, or equal.

B. All non-rubber components including wedges, bands and pipe clamps shall be stainless steel.

2.06 GATEWELL ADJUSTMENTS

A. All final grade adjustment of gatewell cover and frame assemblies shall be completed utilizing injection molded High Density Polyethylene (HDPE) adjustment rings as manufactured by Ladtech, Inc., or approved equal. The adjustment rings shall be manufactured from polyethylene plastic meeting the requirements of ASTM D4976. Brick adjustments are not acceptable.

B. All adjustment for matching road grade shall be made utilizing a molded indexed slope ring.

C. Each adjustment ring shall be sealed with a 3/16 to 1/4-inch bead of butyl rubber sealant per the manufacturer's instructions. Sealant shall meet the requirements of ASTM C990.

D. All castings and adjustment rings shall be securely fastened to the cone of the structure with four 3/8-inch threaded rods. The rods shall be galvanized or stainless steel anchored to the structure with Redhead Tru-bolt concrete anchors, or equal. Stainless steel or galvanized nuts and washers shall be used to attach the casting.

E. When the depth of the gate well requires an adjustment greater than the maximum allowed, the CONTRACTOR shall provide additional pre-cast gate well barrel sections required to maintain acceptable chimney heights.

2.07 HYDRANTS

A. Fire hydrants shall comply with the latest revision of ANSI/AWWA C502. Hydrants shall be compression type to open with the pressure. They shall have a 5-1/4" mechanical joint inlet. Hydrants shall have two 3-1/2" (4.05" O.D.) pumper connections with National Standard 7-1/2 threads per inch. All hydrants shall have City of Ann Arbor standard thread pattern.

B. Fire hydrants shall have an inside barrel dimension of not less than 7.375" I.D. from top to bottom. The 1-1/8" pentagon operating nut shall open left (counter clockwise).

C. All nozzles shall be on a removable head with a flange so that they may be rotated by changing the position of the flange.

D. Hydrant shall be fully bronze mounted, including top of the operating stem where it passes through the double O-ring seal in the bronze packing gland. The forged operating stem in the base and the valve seat shall also be of bronze. The molded valve shall be of composition rubber and the cast iron valve clamps shall be packed with O-ring seals and held tight to the stem by a threaded bronze hex retainer ring and threaded bronze locknut, anchored with set screws.

E. Hydrant shall be designed for 150 psi working pressure and tested to 300 psi. Those portions of the hydrant above grade shall have two coats of red enamel. All unpainted surfaces shall have two coats of coal tar pitch varnish.

F. The hydrants shall be EJIW WaterMaster 5BR-250 with mechanical joint connections and break flange barrel with standard head.

G. Hydrant bolts located below grade shall be type 304 stainless steel

H. All hydrants shall have a 4" Harrington Integral Hydra-Storz (HHS) adaptor. The HHS shall meet the requirements of AWWA C502 regarding material and pressure testing. Storz nozzle shall have a brass metal face and hard anodized ramps and lugs. The aluminum finish shall be hardcoat anodized to Mil-A-8625F, type 3 dark gray. The adaptor shall be made from forged or extruded 6061-T6 aluminum.

I. The blind cap shall have hard anodized aluminum Storz ramps and lugs, made of forged or extruded 6061-T6 aluminum, the cap shall be equipped with suction seal. The cap shall be connected to the adapter or the hydrant with 0.125 vinyl coated aircraft cable.

J. Fire hydrant extensions shall be manufactured by the hydrant manufacturer for use with the model hydrant being installed.

K. Hydrants adjacent to truck routes on commercial developments shall be protected by bollards.

2.08 SERVICE LEADS

A. Pipe for service leads 1-4inch to 2-inch shall be soft annealed Type K copper. Service leads 4-inch to 8-inch shall be Pressure Class 350 Ductile Iron, Double cement lined.

B. Curb Stops

1. Curb stops used for service connections shall be ball valve type. All parts shall be no lead brass. Both the inlet and outlet connections shall be of the compression type to receive copper service pipe. Curb stops shall be consistent with the most current shop drawing checklist posted on the Township website.

C. Curb Boxes

1. Curb boxes shall be the Bibby Screw Style V010 with S169 top, V201 bottom, V223 extension, and V240 water cover. All curb boxes shall be coated inside and out with a tar base enamel. The minimum bury shall be 5'-0" (60") and the maximum 6' (72"). Curb boxes shall be consistent with the most current shop drawing checklist posted on the Township website.

D. Couplings

1. Couplings used for service connections shall be located outside the pavement and more than 10 feet from any building wherever possible. They shall have a three part union, and both connections shall be of the compression type to receive copper service pipe. All parts shall be no lead brass.

2. All service connections between two copper service pipes (two-inch or less in diameter) located under the pavement or within 10 feet of a building shall be connected using wrought copper, solder-sweat type couplings conforming to ASME B16.18 or ASME B16.22. Fittings shall bear made in USA labels. Joining of copper piping shall be a solder-sweat connection using lead free Siflos. The use of 95-5, Tin-Antimony or equivalent solders will not be allowed.

2.09 TRACER WIRE

A. Tracer wire to be used on open cut pipe shall be AWG #12 single strand copper with blue 30 mil HDPE insulation. Connections shall be made using 3M DBR-6 wire connectors, or equal.

2.10 POLYETHYLENE ENCASEMENT

A. All ductile iron pipe and fittings must be polyethylene encased. In addition, the initial 24-inches of copper service lead must be encased from the corporation stop. Polyethylene encasement must be manufactured in accordance with the requirements of the latest revision of ANSI/AWWA C105/A21.5.

B. Polyethylene Encasement shall be black linear low-density polyethylene with a minimum thickness of 8 mils.

C. The wrap shall overlap the joint by 12 inches to either side and be secured to the pipe with polyethylene adhesive tape.

3.00 EXECUTION

3.01 EXCAVATION AND BACKFILL

A. All excavation and backfill shall conform to the Earthwork specification.

3.02 PIPE INSTALLATION

A. The installation of ductile iron water main must conform to the requirements of ANSI/AWWA C600.

B. Any pipe damaged in transport or handling shall be rejected and removed from the site of the work.

C. Before lowering in the trench, and while suspended, each pipe and fitting shall be inspected for defects. Defective, damaged or unsound pipe shall immediately be removed from the construction site. The interior of each pipe shall be inspected for cleanliness and cleared of all dirt and foreign matter before being lowered into the trench.

D. In handling and placing ductile iron pipe and fittings, no metal shall be used in contact with the inside of the pipe to fit or support the pipe. The pipe shall be moved only through the use of bell slings or automatic release type pipe tongs. Care shall be taken not to injure the pipe or pipe coating, and no damaged or imperfect pipe shall be used in the work except that minor damage to pipe coating may be repaired subject to the review of the ENGINEER.

E. Unless otherwise directed, pipe shall be laid with bell ends facing in the direction of laying. After a length of pipe is placed in the trench, the spigot shall be centered in the bell of the adjacent pipe; the pipe shoved into position and brought to a true alignment. It will then be secured with sand backfill tamped under and on each side of the pipe, except at bell holes. No earth or other foreign matter shall be allowed to enter the joint space.

F. All excavation and backfill above the pipe shall conform to specifications under Earthwork and as shown on the Drawings.

G. A minimum of 18-inches vertical clearance shall be provided between the water main and any existing underground facility, unless otherwise approved by the ENGINEER. Whenever a main is installed under any existing utility line such as gas, buried electric power, telephone line, sewer or water, provisions shall be made to properly support or distribute any concentrated load to avoid settlement and possible failure of either main. Such provisions shall consist of concrete bedding of the main, complete concrete encasement, or some other method as shown on the plans. Water mains passing under sewers, in addition, shall be protected by providing:

1. A vertical separation of at least 18-inches between the bottom of the sewer and the top of the water main.

2. Adequate structural support for the sewer to prevent excessive deflection of joints and settlement of the sewer about the water main, i.e., a concrete saddle under the pipe with a span length extending to undisturbed earth bearing.

H. Water mains shall be installed at least 10 feet horizontally from any existing or proposed gravity sanitary or storm sewer, septic tank, or subssoil treatment system. The distance shall be measured edge to edge.

I. In assembly of push-on or shove type joints, the bell socket recess and the gasket shall be wiped clean and the gasket placed properly in position. A thin film of lubricant shall then be applied to the surface of the gasket to come into contact with the entering pipe. The plain end of the entering pipe shall be cleaned and then entered and forced home to the base of the socket.

J. Where necessary to cut pipe, cutting shall be done with approved tools and cut ends of pipe shall be square and regular. Cutting shall be done in a manner to avoid damage to lining and coating. Minor damage may be repaired subject to review of the ENGINEER.

K. To prevent trench water from entering the pipe, joints, which for any reason may not be completed as the pipe is laid, shall be thoroughly packed with approved material, in a manner to make them watertight. Open ends of fittings shall be lightly closed with approved plugs and well packed, as shall the end of the last pipe laid whenever work is not in progress.

L. Each pipe shall be laid accurately to the line and grade shown on the Plans. Whenever deflections at joints are required by changes in grade or alignment or to plumb valve stems, the deflection at any bell and spigot joint shall not exceed that which will cause the spigot end of pipe to be away from home in the bell of the adjacent pipe a distance of 1/4 inch at the point of greatest opening.

M. The deflection at any mechanical joint shall not exceed three-quarters of the maximum deflection recommended by the manufacturer or 3 degrees, whichever is more conservative of the joint used.

N. The CONTRACTOR shall not be entitled to any additional compensation because depth is more than specified at certain locations or due to clearances at manholes, or due to unforeseen obstacles, or occasioned in order to avoid undue changes in grade.

O. Pipe shall be laid at depths to provide minimum cover of 5'-6" over the top of the pipe unless otherwise noted on the Drawings or elsewhere in these specifications.

3.03 GATE VALVES AND WELLS

A. All pre-cast section joints and lift holes shall be pointed and plugged, inside and outside, with mortar.

B. Gate valves shall be of the size and installed at the location as shown on the plans. They shall be set square with the line of the main and unless otherwise directed by the Township ENGINEER, all gate valves shall be set with stems plumb. At each side of gate valve, the CONTRACTOR shall furnish and install a 1-inch copper stop on the main as shown on the Standard Details.

C. All gate valves with operation nuts at a distance greater than 6.5 feet below ground surface shall be provided with an extension stem.

3.04 HYDRANTS

A. Fire hydrants shall be constructed in accordance with the details shown on the plans. Finish grade level to center of nozzle caps shall measure between 24 and 30 inches. A maximum of one hydrant barrel extension and one operating stem extension may be used to accommodate changes in grade. Under no conditions shall extended hydrant have more than one coupling in the operating stem. Pumper connections shall point toward the street.

B. Fire hydrants shall be installed with barrel vertical and properly based. Concrete thrust blocks shall be placed behind the hydrant, tee, and every bend. Care should be taken to insure the drain holes in the hydrant are not plugged by the thrust blocks. Hydrant shall be set in 1 yard of coarse gravel for drainage purposes. If ground water is encountered, the drain hole shall be plugged as directed by the manufacturer. The backfill shall be sand thoroughly tamped around the hydrant and valve box in 1 ft layers.

C. Fire hydrant and gate valve shall be set apart 24 inches. Gate valves and valve box shall be as specified under the valve paragraphs of this section.

D. Hydrant leads shall have a minimum of 5.5 feet of cover in all areas, including crossings through ditch sections.

E. Hydrants shall be carefully plumbed, braced and backfilled so they remain plumb.

F. All grade, facing, and vertical alignment adjustment of hydrants shall be completed prior to pressure testing and charging of the hydrants.

G. All hydrants shall be cleaned and painted with a rust inhibitive, oil base paint such as "rustoleum" or approved equal to the Township's color code prior to acceptance.

H. The lubricant reservoirs in all hydrants having such construction shall be filled with a lubricant acceptable to the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality and recommended by the hydrant manufacturer.

I. Backfilling around fire hydrants shall be carefully tamped sand in 12-inch layers from the centerline of the lead main to a height of 1-foot below finished grade.

J. CONTRACTOR shall place burlap sack or equivalent material over the hydrant nozzles after installation.

K. Fire hydrant nozzles shall be provided as required by the Township Fire Marshal.

L. Fire hydrant extensions shall be aligned as necessary so that the safety flange is located at or above surface grade.

3.05 TRACER WIRE

A. Tracer wire shall be installed along the top of all water mains. For directional drilling, the tracer wire shall be installed at the same line as the pipe. For open cut construction, the tracer wire shall be installed at a height of not more than 6 inches above the main line pipe or service leads. Wire shall be extended to all hydrants, blow-offs, dead ends, service leads and post indicator valves. Tracer wire shall be brought to grade, leaving enough excess material to avoid loss or damage to the wire during construction and subsequent activities. Wire shall be trimmed to finish grade following completion of the landscaping.

B. When tracer wire is to be run along short offsets (less than 20 feet), a loop of wire shall be utilized to loop to the end of the offset, bring the loop to grade and terminate it in an approved manner. For service leads and offsets of more than 20 feet in length, or installed by directional drilling method, a splice may be utilized to make the connection at the main. The tracer wire shall then be installed and terminated in an approved manner.

C. Tracer wire terminations shall be made by one of the following methods:</