

**MINUTES OF THE
REGULAR MONTHLY BOARD MEETING
OF THE PITTSBURGH WATER AND SEWER AUTHORITY
HELD ON APRIL 12, 2013**

The Regular Monthly Board Meeting of The Pittsburgh Water and Sewer Authority, having been duly advertised in accordance with the Sunshine Act, was called to order on Friday, April 12, 2013 at approximately 9:30 a.m., in the Second Floor Board Room, 1200 Penn Avenue, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania 15222. The following members of the Board were present: Chairman Dan Deasy, Mr. Robert Jablonowski, Ms. Margaret L. Lanier, Mr. Patrick Bigley, Mr. Henry Blum, Mr. Scott Kunka and Mr. Patrick Dowd. Present from the staff were Interim Executive Director James Good, Douglas Amos, Tom Palmosina, Gerry Ludwig, Don Waldorf, Melissa Rubin, Kevin Donahue, Autumn Barna, John Morgan, Rachel Romano, Tonya D. Payne and Rachel Rampa.

Also present were Mark Nowak, PWSA Solicitor; James Bowser, Bill Sukenik, Ralph Eyerman and Joe Cusick of Chester Engineers; Dave French of L. Robert Kimball; Matt Sickles of CDM Smith; Herb Higginbotham of AECOM; Don Killmeyer and Ifaenyi Odigboh of MS Consultants; Bob Zulick and Jeff Moreland of Buehrt Horn, Inc.; Bill Trimbath of Michael Baker; Stephen Polen of Hatch Mott MacDonald; Kim Kennedy of HDR; Rulison Evans of Gannett Fleming, Inc.; Coreen Casadei of Collective Efforts, LLC; Jim Weaver of Jeff Zell Consultants, Inc.; Tim Dean of JMT; Jim Veri and Ron Miller of URS; Debbie Healey Langley of Hazen & Sawyer; John Ross of Arcadis; Jeff Bair and George Robinson II of Black & Veatch; and Anthony Emanuele, Resident of the 29th Ward.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

There were no comments or corrections noted at this time. Chairman Deasy entertained a motion to approve the minutes of the March 8, 2013 Regular Monthly Board Meeting. Mr. Blum so moved and Ms. Lanier seconded the motion. The minutes of the Regular Monthly Board Meeting for March 8, 2013 were unanimously approved.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

An executive session was then held wherein no votes were taken. The Chairman informed the attendees that certain personnel and legal issues were discussed.

BILLS AND COMMUNICATIONS

Resolution No. 21 of 2013, "Awarding an Operating Contract for Water and Sewer Inventory Supplies, No. PWSA7, Various Vendors", was read by the Chairman and considered by the Board.

Interim Executive Director Good explained the details of this resolution. No discussion was held and Chairman Deasy entertained a motion to adopt the resolution. Mr. Blum so moved and Ms. Lanier seconded the motion. Resolution No. 21 was unanimously adopted.

Resolution No. 22 of 2013, "Awarding an Operating Contract for Large Water Meter Testing, No. PWSA8, UWS, Inc.", was read by the Chairman and considered by the Board.

Interim Executive Director Good explained the details of this resolution. No discussion was held and Chairman Deasy entertained a motion to adopt the resolution. Ms. Lanier so moved and Mr. Blum seconded the motion. Resolution No. 22 was unanimously adopted.

Resolution No. 23 of 2013, "Approving Change Orders", was read by the Chairman and considered by the Board.

Jim Bowser of Chester Engineers reviewed the change orders. Mr. Good thanked Mr. Bowser for his excellent work for the Authority and introduced Bill Sukenik. Mr. Sukenik will be the new Chester Engineer liaison for the Authority. No further discussion was held and Chairman Deasy entertained a motion to adopt the resolution. Mr. Dowd so moved and Mr. Blum seconded the motion. Resolution No. 23 was unanimously adopted.

Resolution No. 24 of 2013, "Approving Refunds and Exonerations", was read by the Chairman and considered by the Board.

Kevin Donahue, Customer Service Manager, reviewed the exonerations. No discussion was held and Chairman Deasy entertained a motion to adopt the resolution. Mr. Blum so moved and Mr. Jablonowski seconded the motion. Resolution No. 24 was unanimously adopted.

Resolution No. 25 of 2013, "Approving a Water Sales Agreement with Hampton Shaler Water Authority", was read by the Chairman and considered by the Board.

Interim Executive Director Good explained the details of this resolution. No discussion was held and Chairman Deasy entertained a motion to approve. Mr. Jablonowski so moved and Mr. Bigley seconded the motion. Resolution No. 25 was unanimously adopted.

Resolution No. 26 of 2013, "Approving the Veolia Reduce Filter Backwash OpEx Initiative", was read by the Chairman and considered by the Board.

Interim Executive Director Good explained the details of this resolution. Mr. Dowd thanked Veolia for their partnership with the Authority. Mr. Dowd also expressed appreciation for the Authority staff and their work with Veolia to improve performance. No further discussion was held and Chairman Deasy entertained a motion to approve. Mr. Dowd so moved and Mr. Blum seconded the motion. Resolution No. 26 was unanimously adopted.

Resolution No. 27 of 2013, "Approving the Veolia Increase Filter Run Time OpEx Initiative", was read by the Chairman and considered by the Board.

Interim Executive Director Good explained the details of this resolution. No discussion was held and Chairman Deasy entertained a motion to approve. Mr. Dowd so moved and Mr. Jablonowski seconded the motion. Resolution No. 27 was unanimously adopted.

Resolution No. 28 of 2013, "Authorizing the Solicitor to Settle Farber and Steinberg Actions", was read by the Chairman and considered by the Board.

Interim Executive Director Good explained the details of this resolution. No discussion was held and Chairman Deasy entertained a motion to approve. Mr. Blum so moved and Mr. Dowd seconded the motion. Resolution No. 28 was unanimously adopted.

Resolution No. 29 of 2013, "Approving the Collective Bargaining Agreement with the Pittsburgh Joint Collective Bargaining Committee ("PJCBC")", was read by the Chairman and considered by the Board.

Interim Executive Director Good explained the details of this resolution. No discussion was held and Chairman Deasy entertained a motion to approve. Mr. Dowd so moved and Ms. Lanier seconded the motion. Resolution No. 29 was unanimously adopted.

Resolution No. 30 of 2013, "Approving an Agreement with URA for Improvements to Bakery Square, Phase 2", was read by the Chairman and considered by the Board.

Interim Executive Director Good explained the details of this resolution. No discussion was held and Chairman Deasy entertained a motion to approve. Ms. Lanier so moved and Mr. Bigley seconded the motion. Resolution No. 30 was unanimously adopted.

Resolution No. 31 of 2013, "Authorizing the Executive Director to Enter into an Agreement with the Phipps Conservatory and Botanical Gardens for Wastewater Treatment and Reuse System", was read by the Chairman and considered by the Board.

Interim Executive Director Good explained the details of this resolution. No discussion was held and Chairman Deasy entertained a motion to approve. Mr. Jablonowski so moved and Ms. Lanier seconded the motion. Resolution No. 31 was unanimously adopted.

Resolution No. 32 of 2013, "Approving an Agreement with NRG Energy Center, LLC for Payment of Rates and Metering", was read by the Chairman and considered by the Board.

Interim Executive Director Good explained the details of this resolution. No discussion was held and Chairman Deasy entertained a motion to approve. Mr. Bigley so moved and Mr. Jablonowski seconded the motion. Resolution No. 32 was unanimously adopted.

Resolution No. 33 of 2013, "Authorizing a Cost Sharing Agreement with the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, Department of Transportation SR0028, Section A53, East Ohio St. from Heinz St. Ramp to 31st St. Bridge for a Waterline Relay", was read by the Chairman and considered by the Board.

Interim Executive Director Good explained the details of this resolution. Mr. Kunka asked if this project is being completed in separate sections since the board has approved several cost sharing agreements over the years. Mr. Good confirmed that PennDOT approves their contracts for large projects in this manner. No further discussion was held and Chairman Deasy entertained a motion to approve. Mr. Blum so moved and Mr. Dowd seconded the motion. Resolution No. 33 was unanimously adopted.

Resolution No. 34 of 2013, "Authorizing a Cost Sharing Agreement with the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, Department of Transportation SR0019, Section A27, for Engineering and Inspection of Relocated Waterlines at Steuben St., S. Main St. and Greenleaf St.", was read by the Chairman and considered by the Board.

Interim Executive Director Good explained the details of this resolution. No discussion was held and Chairman Deasy entertained a motion to approve. Mr. Blum so moved and Mr. Dowd seconded the motion. Resolution No. 34 was unanimously adopted.

Resolution No. 35 of 2013, "Authorizing a Utility Reimbursement Agreement with the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, Department of Transportation SR0008, Section A12, Heth's Run Bridge Replacement Butler Street/PWSA Water and Sewer Relocation and Modifications", was read by the Chairman and considered by the Board.

Interim Executive Director Good explained the details of this resolution. Mr. Dowd asked if the pipes will run through the zoo parking lot and expressed concern regarding potential interference with long term plans to upgrade that area. Don Waldorf, Deputy Director of Engineering, confirmed that the pipes will not interfere. No further discussion was held and Chairman Deasy entertained a motion to approve. Mr. Blum so moved and Mr. Dowd seconded the motion. Resolution No. 35 was unanimously adopted.

REPORT OF THE INTERIM EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

PWSA March Monthly Report – Interim Executive Director Good stated that the third and final Green Charette will be held on Friday, April 19, 2013. The March 21 Charette was very successful and prompted a local developer and panel member to proclaim that the Authority is a "can do" organization.

Senate Resolution Number 47 designated April as "Pennsylvania 8-1-1 Safe Digging Month". The PA One Call program was developed in Western Pennsylvania 40 years ago to manage damage to utilities. Tom Palmosina, Director of Water Operations, is on the statewide board overseeing the One Call work.

Community Outreach: Several staff members attended the ALOM conference in early April. James Stitt, Sustainability Manager, was appointed to the Board of Directors for the Nine Mile Run Watershed Association and also the Shade Tree Commission. Melissa Rubin, Executive Communications Coordinator, is co-chair of the Green Infrastructure Network Education Group.

The Mission Pilot Program moved water operations staff to Mission Yard and has proven to be successful in cutting down response time to emergencies. The Authority is considering making this permanent.

Water main repairs for March were down significantly due to warmer weather. Mr. Jablonowski asked if priority for catch basin cleaning is assigned to Washington Boulevard, Saline Street and other areas that are prone to flooding. Mr. Good confirmed that this is the case.

Pre-bidding at the Authority has improved and is receiving positive feedback from contractors. The most recent stormwater sewer design contract drew one of the largest crowds the Authority has ever had.

The KPIs on Customer Service Abandonment Rate for calls continues to improve and is now below 10%. The national industry standard goal of 7% is expected to be reached by the end of the year.

The State of Pennsylvania has renewed the certification of accreditation for our Water Treatment Laboratory.

The Authority continues to be 100 percent compliant with regard to drinking water. The non-compliance numbers on the non-drinking water chart are due to the status of the Backwash Filter. The Backwash Filter is under repairs and does not directly affect the drinking water supply or residents.

CONSULTING ENGINEER'S REPORT

Jim Bowser, Consulting Engineer, reported that the 2008 construction fund has approximately \$3.1 million remaining in the fund. The full amount of the balance is encumbered. Approximately \$32.5 million out of the \$36.8 million PENNVEST loans/fund has been expended. The CIP expenditures for March were \$430,000 and the total expenditures for 2013 to date are \$3.7 million. No further discussion was held.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None.

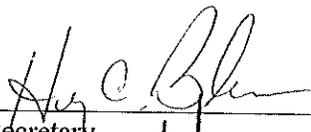
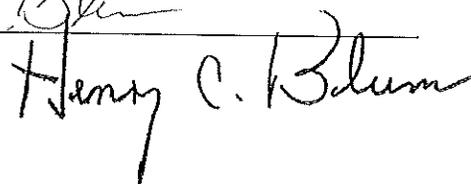
NEW BUSINESS

None.

ADJOURNMENT

No further discussion was held and Chairman Deasy entertained a motion to adjourn. Mr. Blum so moved and Mr. Dowd seconded the motion. The motion to adjourn was unanimously adopted.

The next regularly scheduled board meeting will be held on Friday, May 10, 2013 at 9:30 a.m.


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