

REGULAR MEETING
SUFFOLK COUNTY WATER AUTHORITY

August 20, 2020
Oakdale, New York

Present: Patrick Halpin, Chairman
Mario R. Mattera, Member
Tim Bishop, Member
Elizabeth Mercado, Member

Jeffrey W. Szabo, Chief Executive Officer

Excused Absence: Jane Devine, Secretary

The meeting was also attended by Counsel T. Hopkins and J. Milazzo; and by Messrs. Bova, Fuller, Galante, Kilcommons, Kuzman, O'Connell, Pokorny, Reinfrank, Torres and by Mmes. Cetta, Mancuso, Simson, Tinsley, Trupia and Vassallo

Booklets containing detailed information for all Agenda items were distributed to each Member, Executive Staff and Counsel to the Authority.

At 3:00 p.m. Mr. Szabo called the meeting to order.

At this time, Mr. Hopkins stated this meeting is being held in accordance with Executive Order No. 202.2 dated March 7, 2020, which authorizes public meetings to be held remotely by conference call or other similar service. Members of the public can call in on the number on SCWA's website and listen to the meeting or participate electronically through Zoom.

The public was advised by Steve Galante, Director of IT that the public may speak by raising their hand in Zoom or dialing “*9” on the telephone.

Mr. Halpin then opened the meeting for public comment. No Public Comments were received by info@scwa.com prior to the start of the meeting. Before the meeting is adjourned, the email inbox will be reviewed again. At this time, no one wished to speak via Zoom.

Mr. Halpin made a statement to SCWA employees to take care of themselves during this stressful time by utilizing their vacation time or taking advantage of the programs offered by CCA at no cost to the employees.

Mr. Szabo gave a brief summary of SCWA’s response to the recent storm. He noted that we were able to continue to supply water to all customers without interruption. He mentioned several issues that occurred and stated that plans were already in progress to make improvements. The Board Members thanked all employees for their efforts.

Mr. Halpin presented the minutes of the regular meeting of July 30, 2020, for approval. On motion made by Mr. Bishop, duly seconded by Ms. Mercado, and unanimously carried, the minutes of the regular meeting held on July 30, 2020, were approved.

Mr. Szabo referred to an amendment to Resolution No. 249-08-2019.

After a brief discussion, and on motion made by Mr. Mattera, duly seconded by

Mr. Bishop, and unanimously carried, it was

(187-08-2020) RESOLVED, To amend Resolution 249-08-2019 to reflect a cost of One Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$1,500) for each of the two (2) hydrants that the Authority is furnishing to FINS for the Fire Island Lighthouse main extension.

Mr. Szabo referred to contracts scheduled to expire shortly, and he recommended that the Authority exercise its option to extend this contract in accordance with the letters of recommendation. These items were considered on consent and on motion made by Ms. Mercado, duly seconded by Mr. Bishop, and unanimously carried, it was

(188-08-2020) RESOLVED, To extend for a one-year period beginning November 1, 2020, Contract 7542 for furnishing and delivery of granular calcium hypochlorite with Eagle Control Corp., in accordance with the specifications, terms and conditions of the contract.

RESOLVED, To extend for a one-year period beginning November 1, 2020, Contract 7553 for maintenance of fueling facilities at various Authority sites with Island Pump & Tank Corp., in accordance with the specifications, terms and conditions of the contract.

RESOLVED, To extend for a one-year period beginning October 1, 2020, Contract 7652 for miscellaneous minor construction and/or repairs at various structures, in accordance with the specifications, terms and conditions of the contract.

RESOLVED, To extend for a one-year period beginning November 1, 2020, Contract 7658 for furnishing and delivery of cement lined ductile iron pipe, flanged, with Metrofab Pipe Inc., in accordance with the specifications, terms and conditions of the contract.

Mr. Szabo then reviewed Contracts 7712 and 7713 and he recommended that these contracts be awarded/rescinded/rejected in accordance with the letters of recommendation.

On motion made by Mr. Bishop, duly seconded by Ms. Mercado, and carried with one abstention by Mr. Mattera, it was

(189-08-2020) RESOLVED, That the low bid received under Contract 7712 for furnishing and installing a bolted steel tank, Sawyer Avenue well field and pump station, West Babylon, Town of Babylon, submitted by Philip Ross Industries Inc. of Melville, New York, on a unit-price basis as stipulated in the bidder's proposal and calculated on estimated quantities indicated in the contract documents, at an estimated total amount of Two Hundred Thirty-Five Thousand Dollars (\$235,000), be and hereby is accepted, and that any Member and/or the Chief Executive Officer be and hereby is authorized to execute this contract on behalf of the Authority.

On motion made by Mr. Mattera, duly seconded by Ms. Mercado, and

unanimously carried, it was

(190-08-2020) RESOLVED, That the low bid received under Contract 7713 for furnishing and delivery of enclosed soft starters during the one-year period beginning August 1, 2020, submitted by Conserve Lighting and Electrical Supplies of Long Island City, New York, on a unit-price basis as stipulated in the bidder's proposal and calculated on estimated quantities indicated in the contract documents, at an estimated total amount of Seventy Thousand Sixty-Four Dollars (\$70,064), be and hereby is accepted, and that any Member and/or the Chief Executive Officer be and hereby is authorized to execute this contract on behalf of the Authority.

Mr. Szabo referred to two requests regarding a special service agreements.

After further explanation of details on each, and on motion made by Mr. Bishop, duly seconded by Ms. Mercado, and unanimously carried, it was

(191-08-2020) RESOLVED, To extend Agreement No. 1545 with Apex Life Sciences for temporary personnel employees for the Authority's Laboratory during the one-year period beginning October 1, 2020.

On motion made by Ms. Mercado, duly seconded by Mr. Mattera, and unanimously carried, it was

(192-08-2020) RESOLVED, To authorize the Authority's reporting and organizational structure for Part 1 (Organizational Structure) of the Implementation of Ernst & Young Organization Assessment, in accordance with the attached memo from the Chief Executive Officer dated August 13, 2020.

The Members referred to several items relating to equipment. After further explanation of details on each, and on motion made by Mr. Bishop, duly seconded by Ms. Mercado, and unanimously carried, it was

(193-08-2020) RESOLVED, To authorize the purchase of the Softwright Terrain Analysis Package (TAP) Software for the Authority's SCADA system from SoftWright, LLC of Charlottesville, Virginia, in the amount of Eight Thousand Two Hundred Eighty-Four Dollars (\$8,284).

On motion made by Mr. Mattera, duly seconded by Ms. Mercado, and unanimously carried, it was

(194-08-2020) RESOLVED, To authorize the purchase of an additional Labconco SteamScrubber Glassware Washer for the Authority’s Laboratory from Government Scientific Source of Reston, Virginia, in the amount of Seven Thousand Four Hundred Twelve Dollars (\$7,412).

On motion made by Ms. Mercado, duly seconded by Mr. Bishop, and unanimously carried, it was

(195-08-2020) RESOLVED, To authorize upgrades in order to complete the SCADA connection for the Authority’s 4040 Sunrise Highway, 4050 Sunrise Highway and 4060 Sunrise Highway, Oakdale locations from ASCO Power Services, of Florham Park, New Jersey, in the amount of Six Thousand Six Hundred Forty-Five Dollars (\$6,645).

On motion made by Mr. Bishop, duly seconded by Mr. Mattera, and unanimously carried, it was

(196-08-2020) RESOLVED, To authorize the purchase of copper tubing – type “K” for Stores from T. Mina Supply, Inc. of Medford, New York, in the amount of Nineteen Thousand Five Hundred Thirty-Four and 20/100 (\$19,534.20).

Mr. Szabo reviewed the original invoices to be paid from the Operating Fund, and on motion made by Mr. Mattera, duly seconded by Mr. Bishop, and unanimously carried, it was

(197-08-2020) RESOLVED, That the following invoices be paid from the Operating Fund:

Heslin Rothenberg Farley & Mesiti P.C.	\$1,140.50
Putney, Twombly, Hall & Hirson LLP (Labor Counsel)	\$7,307.00

SEQRA REVIEW

Where applicable, the foregoing resolutions, unless otherwise noted, will not have a significant adverse impact on the environment within the meaning of Section 8-0109 of the Environmental Conservation Law.

The Members scheduled their next regular meeting for Thursday,

September 24, 2020, beginning at 3:00 p.m.

At this time, Mr. Hopkins stated that the email inbox was checked for Public Comment and no one on the Zoom call wished to speak to the Members.

At 3:40 p.m., on motion made by Ms. Mercado, duly seconded by Mr. Mattera, and unanimously carried, it was

(198-08-2020) RESOLVED, That the Members go into an Executive Session for the purpose of discussing a personnel matter.

The meeting was again called to order at 3:46 p.m.

On motion made by Mr. Bishop, duly seconded by Ms. Mercado, and unanimously carried, it was

(199-08-2020) RESOLVED, To employ Patrick Brady of Holtsville, New York, as IT Manager at an annual salary of Ninety Thousand Dollars (\$90,000).

As there was no further business to be considered, on motion made by Mr. Mattera, duly seconded by Mr. Bishop, the meeting was adjourned at 3:47 p.m.

Jane Devine, Secretary