

REGULAR MEETING
SUFFOLK COUNTY WATER AUTHORITY
July 19, 2021
Oakdale, New York

Present: Patrick Halpin, Chairman
Jane Devine, Secretary
Tim Bishop, Member
Jacqueline Gordon, Member
Elizabeth Mercado, Member

Jeffrey W. Szabo, Chief Executive Officer

The meeting was also attended by Counsel T. Hopkins and by Counsel J. Milazzo and by Messrs. Brady, Cecchetto, Galante, Huber, Kilcommons, Kleinman, Litka, Motz, O'Connell, Reinfrank, Riegger, Swain, Torres, Wahl, Warner and by Mmes. Cameron, Cetta, Hannan, Mancuso, Palillo, and Simson.

B. Yatauro, President and R. Brooks, Vice-President of Local 393 were also in attendance.

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

At 3:02 p.m. the Chairman called the meeting to order.

The public was advised by Steve Galante, Director of I.T., that they may speak during the public comment portion of the meeting by raising their hand in Zoom or dialing “*9” on the telephone.

Mr. Halpin then opened the meeting for public comment. No public comment was received.

Mr. Halpin presented the minutes of the regular meeting of June 24, 2021, for approval. On motion made by Ms. Mercado, duly seconded by Mr. Bishop, and

unanimously carried, the minutes of the regular meeting held on June 24, 2021, were approved.

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

(163-07-2021) RESOLVED, To extend for the one-year period beginning August 1, 2021, Contract 7531 for the furnishing and delivery of replacement parts for boss compressor, auto crane, Volvo construction equipment and western snowplow with Dejana Truck & Utility Equipment, in accordance with the specifications, terms and conditions of the contract.

RESOLVED, To extend for the one-year period beginning October 1, 2021, Contract 7638 for the furnishing and delivery of hydrated lime to various pumping stations (Group A) with Barbato Nursery Corp., in accordance with the specifications, terms and conditions of the contract.

RESOLVED, To extend for the one-year period beginning October 1, 2021, Contract 7652 for the miscellaneous minor construction and/or repairs at various structures with National Installation & GC Corp., in accordance with the specifications, terms and conditions of the contract.

RESOLVED, To extend for the one-year period beginning March 1, 2021, Contract 7661 for the replacement of asphalt and bituminous shoulders on state, county, town and village highways with LLL Industries Inc. (Group I), Rosemar Contracting Inc. (Group II) and CAC Contracting Corp. (Group III), in accordance with the specifications, terms and conditions of the contract.

RESOLVED, To extend for the one-year period beginning March 1, 2021, Contract 7662 for the replacement of concrete and bituminous patches, concrete curb, and concrete sidewalk restoration on state, county, town and village highways with LLL Industries (Group I), New York Paving (Group II) and Aventura Construction Corp. (Group III), in accordance with the specifications, terms and conditions of the contract.

RESOLVED, To extend for the one-year period beginning October 1, 2021, Contract 7714 for the furnishing and delivery of plumbing valves, fittings, pipe and associated supplies with Central Islip Plumbing Supplies (Group II), United Pipe Nipple Co (Group III & IV) and Pollardwater (Group V), in accordance with the specifications, terms and conditions of the contract.

Mr. Szabo then reviewed Contracts 7769, 7773 and 7776. Mr. Szabo recommended that these contracts be awarded/rejected in accordance with the letters of recommendation. On motion made by Ms. Gordon, duly seconded by Ms. Mercado, and unanimously carried, it was

(164-07-2021) RESOLVED, That the low bid received for Group I (Iron Yoke Pieces; Items 1 & 2), Group IIA (Valves & Gaskets; items 3, 5-7, 9-14, 16-21) Group III (Adaptors & Connections; Items 22-30) under Contract 7769 for the furnishing and delivery of 'no lead' meter settings submitted by Mueller Co. of Chattanooga, Tennessee 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 Forty-Five Thousand Eight Hundred Ten and 90/100 Dollars (\$245,810.90), be and hereby is accepted, and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That the low bid received for Group II (Valves & Gaskets; items 4; 8 & 15) under Contract 7769 for the furnishing and delivery of 'no lead' meter settings submitted by Ford Meter Box Company, Inc of Wabash, Indiana 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 Seventeen Thousand Eight Hundred Ninety-Six and 25/100 Dollars (\$17,896.25), be and hereby is accepted, and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That any Member and/or the Chief Executive Officer be and hereby is authorized to execute these contracts on behalf of the Authority.

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

(165-07-2021) RESOLVED, That the low bid received for Items 1, 2 & 3 under Contract 7773 for the furnishing and delivery of H2O2 truck containment pads submitted by Containment Corp of Temecula, California 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 One Hundred Fourteen Thousand Seven Hundred Twenty Dollars (\$114,720), 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. Bishop, duly seconded by Ms. Devine, and unanimously carried, it was

(166-07-2021) RESOLVED, to reject the only bid received under Contract 7776 for the furnishing and delivery of thermoplastic and concrete meter vaults submitted by Ferguson Enterprises Inc of Newport News, Virginia. This contract will re-bid.

Mr. Szabo then referred to special service agreements. On motion made by

Ms. Devine, duly seconded by Ms. Gordon, and unanimously carried, it was

(167-07-2021) RESOLVED, To extend the agreement under RFP 1521 with Vehicle Tracking Systems of Commack, New York to provide Automated Vehicle Location and Monitoring System (AVLM) tracking of Authority-owned vehicles during the one-year period beginning October 1, 2021; and that any Member and/or the Chief Executive Officer be and hereby is authorized to execute this agreement on behalf of the Authority.

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

(168-07-2021) RESOLVED, To extend the agreement under RFP 1545 with Apex Life Sciences of Glen Allen, Virginia to provide temporary personnel services on an as-needed basis during the one-year period beginning October 1, 2021; and that any Member and/or the Chief Executive Officer be and hereby is authorized to execute this agreement on behalf of the Authority.

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

(169-07-2021) RESOLVED, To enter into an agreement under RFP 1569 submitted by NewPoint Strategy LLC of McLean, Virginia to develop a strategic diversity, equity and inclusion program at a cost not to exceed Eighty Thousand Dollars (\$80,000); and that any Member and/or the Chief Executive Officer be and hereby is authorized to execute this agreement on behalf of the Authority.

Mr. Szabo then referred to a matter concerning rates, rules and regulations.

Upon further explanation of details by Mr. Szabo, and on motion made by Mr. Bishop, duly seconded by Ms. Devine, and unanimously carried, it was

(170-07-2021) WHEREAS, the Authority passed resolution 339-11-2018 to prohibit tanker trucks between 3,000 and 8,000 gallons from utilizing Authority hydrants in the Town of Southold, and

WHEREAS, the Authority will allow tanker trucks between 3,000 and 8,000 gallons to utilize a designated hydrant in the Town of Southold provided that the tanker truck delivers water from the designated hydrant for use within the Town of Southold, be it

RESOLVED, that tanker trucks between 3,000 and 8,000 gallons are prohibited from utilizing Authority hydrants in the Town of Southold, except that such tanker trucks may use the hydrant designated by Authority for tanker trucks in the Town of Southold and provided that the tanker truck delivers water from the designated hydrant for use within the Town of Southold, and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, that permit holders must keep records of the amount of water drawn from hydrants in accordance with Authority requirements and make payments in accordance with permit thresholds at the end of the season. Failure to comply with Authority policies may result in hydrant permit revocation, and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, To amend Resolution 339-11-2018 to allow tanker trucks to utilize designated hydrants to deliver water within the Town of Southold only, provided the permit holders keep accurate records of water drawn and make payments in accordance with permit thresholds at the end of the season.

The Members reviewed a request relating to Authority Policies. After further explanation of details by Donna Mancuso, Deputy CEO for Administration, with the recommendation of the Governance Committee, and on motion made by Ms. Gordon, duly seconded by Ms. Mercado, and unanimously carried, it was

(171-07-2021) RESOLVED, To approve the revisions to Section 1 of Policies and Procedures pursuant to the memo of Donna Mancuso, Deputy CEO dated July 13th.

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

(172-07-2021) RESOLVED, To approve the revisions to Section 2 of the Policies and Procedures pursuant to the memo of Donna Mancuso, Deputy CEO dated July 13th.

On motion made by Ms. Gordon, duly seconded by Ms. Devine, and unanimously carried, it was

(173-07-2021) RESOLVED, To approve the revisions to Section 3 of the Policies and Procedures pursuant to the memo of Donna Mancuso, Deputy CEO dated July 13th.

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

(174-07-2021) RESOLVED, To adopt new Policy 704 as part of the Policies and Procedures pursuant to the memo from Emergency Management dated July 14th.

Mr. Szabo referred to a meeting and conference request. Upon further explanation of details by Mr. Szabo, and on motion made by Ms. Mercado, duly seconded by Mr. Bishop, and unanimously carried, it was

(175-07-2021) RESOLVED, To authorize the attendance of Jeffrey Szabo, Chief Executive Officer at the Executive Management Conference in Denver, Colorado from October 3rd to October 6th, at an approximate cost of Two Thousand Five Hundred Thirty-Eight Dollars (\$2,538).

Mr. Szabo reviewed the original invoices to be paid from the Operating Fund, and on motion made by Ms. Devine, duly seconded by Ms. Gordon, and unanimously

carried, it was

(176-07-2021) RESOLVED, That the following invoices be paid from the Operating Fund:

Dvirka & Bartilucci	\$18,331.00
Heslin, Rothenberg Farley & Mesiti	4,895.00
LaSalle LaSalle & Dwyer, P.C.	13,052.97
O'Connor, O'Connor, Hintz & Deveney LLP	600.00
Sobel Pevzner LLC	11,489.00

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, August 26, 2021, beginning at 3:00 p.m.

Mr. Halpin stated that the email inbox was checked for public comment. There was no public comment at this time.

At 3:45 p.m., on motion made by Ms. Devine, duly seconded by Ms. Gordon, and unanimously carried, it was

(177-07-2021) RESOLVED, That the Members go into an Executive Session for the purpose of discussing litigation, personnel matters, and labor negotiations.

The meeting was again called to order at 4:24 p.m.

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

(178-07-2021) RESOLVED, To employ Pamodya Jalakody, of Farmingville, New York as Junior Applications Developer in the Laboratory at an annual salary of Fifty-Five Thousand Dollars (\$55,000), effective immediately.

On motion made by Ms. Devine, duly seconded by Ms. Gordon, and unanimously carried, it was

(179-07-2021) RESOLVED, To terminate the employment of Robert Hengeveld, Call Center Supervisor, effective July 16, 2021.

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

(180-07-2021) RESOLVED, To promote Christopher Miller from Customer Service Field Technician to Customer Service Field Supervisor at an annual salary of Eighty-Eight Thousand Six and 40/100 Dollars (\$88,006.40), effective upon his resignation from the union.

On motion made by Ms. Gordon, duly seconded by Ms. Devine and unanimously carried, it was

(181-07-2021) RESOLVED, To authorize the Legal Department to settle claim made by Michael Conforto for damages caused to sewer lateral line at 84 Woodbury Road, Huntington alleged to be caused by SCWA on June 18, 2021 in an amount not to exceed Seven Thousand Dollars (\$7,000).

As there was no further business to be considered, on motion made by Ms. Gordon, duly seconded by Ms. Devine, the meeting was adjourned at 4:26 p.m.

Jane Devine, Secretary