Final: August 18, 2015

MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE WATER AUTHORITY OF GREAT NECK NORTH HELD ON <u>JULY 20, 2015</u>, AT 50 WATERMILL LANE, GREAT NECK, NEW YORK.

PRESENT:

Michael C. Kalnick, Chairperson Edward Causin, Director Jean Celender, Director Carol Frank, Director Ralph J. Kreitzman, Director Dan Levy, Director Susan Lopatkin, Director Steven Weinberg, Director

Village of Kings Point
Village of Great Neck Estates
Village of Great Neck Plaza
Town of North Hempstead
Village of Great Neck
Village of Saddle Rock
Village of Kensington
Village of Thomaston

ALSO PRESENT:

Robert Graziano, Deputy Chairperson Gregory Graziano, Superintendent Christine Skrypek, Treasurer Stephen Moriarty, Assistant Superintendent Lisa Schlichting, Secretary Stephen Limmer, Counsel Bill Merklin Water Authority of Great Neck North
Ackerman, Levine, Cullen, Brickman & Limmer, LLP
D&B Engineers and Architects, P.C., Consulting Engineer

NOT PRESENT:

Howard Miskin, Vice Chairperson Robert McCormack, Supervisor, Water Plant Operations Water Authority of Great Neck North Water Authority of Great Neck North

The Board meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. Seven members (Chairperson/Director Kalnick, Directors Causin, Celender, Frank, Kreitzman, Levy, and Lopatkin) were present, constituting a quorum.

On the motion of Director Celender, seconded by Director Causin, by <u>Resolution</u> #15-07-01, the Board acknowledged that the Minutes of the Board's June 22, 2015, meeting were reviewed by the Directors and were approved. The vote was 7 for, 0 against, 0 abstentions.

On the motion of Director Levy, seconded by Director Causin, by <u>Resolution</u> #15-07-02, the Board acknowledged that the Abstract of Claims was reviewed by the Directors and the Abstract was approved. The vote was 7 for, 0 against, 0 abstentions. A copy of the Abstract is on file with the Secretary.

On the motion of Director Celender, seconded by Director Lopatkin, by <u>Resolution</u> #15-07-03, the Board acknowledged that the Treasurer's Monthly Report was reviewed by the Directors and the Report was accepted. The Treasurer noted that the month on page 1 was corrected from April 30, 2015 to May 31, 2015. The vote was 7 for, 0 against, 0 abstentions. A copy of the corrected Report is on file with the Secretary.

Director Lopatkin moved that the Treasurer's Revenue and Expenses Quarterly Report for the period ended June 30, 2015, be accepted. The motion was seconded by Director Frank. By Resolution #15-07-04, the Board acknowledged that it had reviewed and accepted the Treasurer's Revenue and Expenses Quarterly Report for the period ended June 30, 2015. The vote was 7 for, 0 against, 0 abstentions. A copy of the Report is on file with the Secretary.

Director Celender moved that the Construction Work in Progress Budget vs. the Actual Report for the period ended June 30, 2015, be accepted. The motion was seconded by Director Kreitzman. By <u>Resolution</u> #15-07-05, the Board acknowledged that it had reviewed and accepted the Construction Work in Progress Budget vs. the Actual Report for the period ended June 30, 2015. The vote was 7 for, 0 against, 0 abstentions. A copy of the Report is on file with the Secretary.

On the motion of Director Celender, seconded by Director Kreitzman, by <u>Resolution</u> #15-07-06, the Board acknowledged that it had reviewed and accepted the Notification from the Trustee advising that the account balances on hand met the Bond Resolution requirements. The vote was 7 for, 0 against, 0 abstentions.

Director Causin requested a map depicting the location of the Authority's wells for the Directors. Superintendent Graziano advised that he would furnish the map.

Bill Merklin presented the Engineer's Report:

Award letters for the Rehabilitation of Well 11A at Watermill Lane were sent to the Contractors. Upon receipt of appropriate bonds and insurance, the contracts will be executed. A Notice to Proceed will be sent to allow the Well Contractor to mobilize mid-August.

Construction has been completed for the Water Main Improvements on Kings Point Road, Martin Court, and Grassfield Road. D&B Engineers and Architects, P.C. ("D&B") is reviewing the final invoices and preparing the as-built drawings.

The contract for construction will be publically bid for construction for Water Main Improvements for the Woodland Place Development. The work is dependent on the developer's schedule and the receipt of required permits.

D&B is reviewing the suggested structural repair method that they received from Verizon.

Emergency repairs were made to the Well 2A Treatment Building and to Well 11 and both wells have been returned to service.

D&B performed various field activities required for the evaluation for Phase I of the Storm Mitigation for Well 5. D&B is working on a summary draft report of the findings. The existing facilities will be demolished and a new well and associated equipment will be constructed into a new single above grade brick and block structure with a flat roof with a finished floor above the flood elevation.

D&B has completed the hydrant tests and is performing the modeling work for the hydraulic modeling and evaluation for the Brickman Estate Subdivision. A draft report will be submitted to the Authority by July 31, 2015.

Director Weinberg entered the meeting at 6:15 p.m.

Gregory Graziano presented the Superintendent's Report:

Superintendent Graziano advised that the New York State Water Infrastructure Improvement Act Grants ("NYS Water Grants") program is offering applicants up to \$2 million or 60% of the total project cost (whichever is less) for eligible projects. The NYS Water Grants program is being administered by the New York State Environmental Facilities Corporation (EFC) and the New York State Department of Health (NYSDOH). The Superintendent advised that funding is being targeted for disadvantaged areas and/or areas that have significant issues with the quality of their water. Only ten grants will be given in the entire New York State area. The complete application must be submitted by September 4, 2015. The proposed costs to submit an application are:

- \$18,000.00 from Walden Environmental Engineering, PLLC for Engineering Services.
- \$19,500.00 from Capital Markets Advisors, LLC for Financial Advisory Services.
- In excess of \$30,000.00 from Fulbright & Jaworski LLP as Bond Counsel (based upon the Superintendent's phone conversation with Randy Mayer (Fulbright & Jaworski LLP has not submitted a written proposal to date).

Based on the cost to submit the application and the minimal odds of being selected to receive the grant, the Board elected not to pursue it. On the motion of Director Levy, seconded by Director Lopatkin, by Resolution #15-07-07, the Board elected not to move forward with the application for the NYS Water Grants program. The vote was 8 for, 0 against, 0 abstentions.

Superintendent Graziano advised the Directors that the closing for the EFC Financing is scheduled for July 23, 2015. Costs to date have been filed with the EFC for the projects that have been completed and for the projects that are in progress and the Authority should start receiving reimbursement from the EFC shortly after the closing.

Superintendent Graziano advised that Well 6 has been pulled out of service. A portion of the screen is plugged by minerals, and sand and gravel have entered the clear well from the annular space in the well. The Superintendent brought in A.C. Schultes, an independent well drilling company, to see if the well was compromised in August 2014 by Layne Christensen's improper installation which caused the well shaft to be sheared. A.C. Schultes advised that the improper installation cannot be conclusively determined to be the cause of the current failure. The plugging of the screen may have been caused by the direction of the water entering the well. The estimate for repair is approximately \$60,000.00. A.C. Schultes recommended that going forward, one well a year, on a rotating schedule, be pulled out of service for inspection and preventative maintenance. The Authority will follow that recommendation. Based upon the unforeseen emergency affecting the public buildings, public property, and the life, health, and safety of the inhabitants of the Authority District, without competitive bidding, on the motion of Director Levy, seconded by Director Lopatkin, by Resolution #15-07-08, the Board authorized the awarding of a contract to A.C. Schultes to repair Well 6 for approximately \$60,000. The vote was 8 for, 0 against, 0 abstentions.

On the motion of Director Kreitzman, seconded by Director Levy, by Resolution #15-07-09, the Board went into Executive Session to discuss Personnel Matters at 6:40 p.m. The Board emerged from Executive Session at 7:40 p.m. Chairman Kalnick announced that no action had been taken at the Executive Session and no minutes would be produced. The meeting was adjourned at 7:40 p.m. usa Schlick Date: 8/20/

Approved by Secretary: