

Final: July 15, 2019

**MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF
THE WATER AUTHORITY OF GREAT NECK NORTH
HELD ON JUNE 17, 2019,
AT 50 WATERMILL LANE, GREAT NECK, NEW YORK.**

PRESENT:

Michael C. Kalnick, Chairperson
Jay Johnas, Director
Jean Celender, Director
Carol Frank, Director
Susan Lopatkin, Director
Steven Weinberg, Director
Michael Smiley, Director
Dan Levy, Director

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

ALSO PRESENT:

Ralph J. Kreitzman, Vice-Chairperson
Robert Graziano, Deputy Chairperson
Gregory Graziano, Superintendent
Michael Rispoli, Assistant Superintendent
Judith Flynn, Treasurer
Debra Ray, Secretary
Benjamin Kaplan, Counsel
Gary Stuart, Principal Engineer

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McLaughlin and Stern, LLP
CDM Smith, Consulting Engineers

NOT PRESENT:

Sue Huang, Civil Engineer

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The Board meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. Eight members, who together are authorized to cast a majority of the weighted vote (Chairperson/Director Kalnick, Directors Johnneas, Celender, Frank, Levy, Lopatkin, Weinberg, and Smiley) were present, constituting a quorum.

On the motion of Director Levy, seconded by Director Johnneas, by Resolution #19-06-01, the Minutes of the Board's May 28, 2019, meeting were reviewed by the Directors and were approved. The vote was 8 for, 0 against, 0 abstentions. A copy of the Minutes is on file with the Secretary.

On the motion of Director Levy, seconded by Director Smiley, by Resolution #19-06-02, the Minutes of the Public Hearing held on May 28, 2019, were reviewed by the Directors and were approved. The vote was 8 for, 0 against, 0 abstentions. A copy of the Public Hearing Minutes is on file with the Secretary.

On the motion of Director Lopatkin, seconded by Director Levy, by Resolution #19-06-03, the Board reviewed and approved the Abstract of Claims. The vote was 8 for, 0 against, 0 abstentions. A copy of the Abstract is on file with the Secretary.

On the motion of Director Johnneas, seconded by Director Weinberg, by Resolution #19-06-04, the Board reviewed and approved the Treasurer's Monthly Report. The vote was 8 for, 0 against, 0 abstentions. A copy of the Report is on file with the Secretary.

The New York State Insurance Fund Workers' Compensation Policy premium will be decreasing by \$2,549.00, from \$104,067.00 in 2018, to \$101,518.00 in 2019. The Treasurer noted that the policy has been reviewed and noted that the coverage is consistent with last year's policy. The Treasurer recommended that the Board approve the 2019 renewal of the Workers' Compensation Policy. On the motion of Director Levy, seconded by Director Celender, by Resolution #19-06-05, the Board approved the renewal of the 2019 Workers' Compensation Policy with the New York State Insurance Fund. The vote was 8 for, 0 against, 0 abstentions.

Gary Stuart presented the Engineer's Report:

1. **SMLP Project** – Improvements at several well sites to address flooding issues including the raising of well houses above flood elevations. **<EFC has granted extension until September 2021>**

Well 2A – Demolition of existing building and construction of new well house that will be approximately 8 feet higher than existing. Reusing the existing well but replacing the existing pump with a new one. Includes new chemical feed system and generator in enclosure. Anticipated construction start is September 2019.

- Shop drawings are continuing to be submitted by Contractor and reviewed by CDM Smith.

Well 6 – Demolition of portion of existing building and construction of new well pump portion of building such that new pump and associated equipment is above flood elevation.

- Project on hold due to pending 1,4-dioxane regulations and potential litigation.

2. **Weybridge Road Tank Catwalk Structural Project** – Funding has been provided by cellular companies for improvements to catwalk for new cellular equipment to be installed on tank.

- Contract has been signed. Construction is on hold due to presence of protected bird's nest. On June 26th, EBI Consulting will be on site to determine if the birds are gone and when work can proceed.

3. **SCADA Upgrade** – Installation of new control panels, communications equipment, and associated work at all Authority facilities/sites so that all SCADA equipment is consistent and up-to-date. Work at some sites are being funded through SMLP program.

- Well 9 and A-Plant SCADA control panels have been installed and tested in the field. These sites are now in operation, and the contractor is addressing punch list items.

- Fabrication of Well 10A and Wildwood Booster control panels has been completed. These control panels will be installed in the field once authorization for cutover is granted by WAGNN.
4. **Greenway Terrace Water Main** – Installation of approximately 800 feet of water main for new development.
 - No change since last meeting. Developer’s contractor is running behind schedule.
 5. **Well 7 Electrical and Instrumentation Upgrades** – Various upgrades to improve reliability including new electrical service, motor control center, transformer, wiring, and chemical safety panel. This work is being performed as a change order to the SCADA Upgrade project.
 - Construction is 90% complete. Restoration and other miscellaneous items remain. DOH approval has been received, and well startup is scheduled for week of 6/10/19.
 6. **East Shore Road Water Main Improvements** – Replacement of approximately 7,200 feet of water main including valves, hydrants, and services along East Shore Road, from approximately Twin Ponds/Foxwood Road to Hick’s Lane. Construction to be completed in 2019.
 - Shop drawings are being submitted by Contractor and reviewed by CDM Smith. Tentative construction start date is week of June 17th.
 7. **Middle Neck Road Water Main Improvements** – Replacement of approximately 6,000 feet of water main including valves, hydrants, and services along Middle Neck Road from approximately Appletree Lane to Great Neck Road, and transfer of services from approximately 4,000 feet of 8-inch to existing 12-inch main with abandonment of the 8-inch.
 - Working on design. Bidding in fall 2019 is anticipated with construction start slated for April 2020. Will schedule meeting with County, Villages, and other utilities impacted by project in early July.
 8. **Pheasant Run Water Main Extension** - Installation of approximately 1,280 feet of water main for new development.
 - Waiting for developer to update storm water drainage plan before finalizing design.
 9. **Old Mill II Water Main Extension** - Installation of approximately 1,110 feet of water main for new development.
 - On hold at this time. Developer not ready.

Michael Rispoli presented the Assistant Superintendent’s Report:

The Assistant Superintendent reviewed the proposal From CDM Smith for Professional Engineering Services for the Bromley Lane Water Main Project. The proposal is to include design, permitting, and construction services for the installation of an 8-inch water main connection from Bromley Lane to the Baker Auditorium Addition site. CDM Smith’s proposed, not-to-exceed fee (unless the contractor extends the field time) is \$21,000.00. The Assistant Superintendent recommends that the Board approve the proposal. On the motion of Director Levy, seconded by Director Weinberg, by Resolution #19-06-06, the Board authorized CDM Smith to provide Professional Engineering Services for the Bromley Lane Water Main Project, in accordance with its July 12, 2018, proposal, for a not-to-exceed fee of \$21,000.00 (unless the contractor extends the field time). The vote was 8 for, 0 against, 0 abstentions. A copy of the proposal is on file with the Secretary.

Gregory Graziano presented the Superintendent’s Report:

Shannon Chemical Corporation was awarded the 2018 contract for Poly Orthophosphate for \$13.57 per gallon, with options to renew in 2019 and 2020, with a maximum increase of 5% in the cost per gallon. As it did in 2019, Shannon Chemical Corporation has agreed to renew the 2020 contract with no increase. The Authority has enjoyed a

very good relationship with Shannon Chemical Corporation. Superintendent Graziano believes the price to be fair and competitive and does not believe there is good reason to rebid the contract to attempt to obtain a lower price. Superintendent Graziano recommends that the Authority renew the 2020 contract for the supply of Poly Orthophosphate with Shannon Chemical Corporation. On the motion of Director Levy, seconded by Director Smiley, by Resolution #19-06-07, the Board approved the renewal of the 2020 contract for the supply of Poly Orthophosphate with Shannon Chemical Corporation at \$13.57 per gallon. The vote was 8 for, 0 against, 0 abstentions.


New Haven Chlor-Akali, LLC (d/b/a H. Krevit & Company) was awarded the 2018 contract for Sodium Hydroxide for \$1.98 per gallon, with options to renew in 2019 and 2020, with a maximum increase of 10% in the cost per gallon. New Haven Chlor-Akali, LLC has agreed to renew the 2020 contract with a 10% increase from \$2.18 per gallon in 2019 to \$2.40 per gallon in 2020. The Authority has enjoyed a very good relationship with New Haven Chlor-Akali, LLC. Superintendent Graziano believes the price to be fair and competitive and does not believe there is good reason to rebid the contract to attempt to obtain a lower price. Superintendent Graziano recommended that the Authority renew the 2020 contract for the supply of Sodium Hydroxide with New Haven Chlor-Akali, LLC. On the motion of Director Smiley, seconded by Director Lopatkin, by Resolution #19-06-08, the Board approved the renewal of the 2020 contract for the supply of Sodium Hydroxide with New Haven Chlor-Akali, LLC, at \$2.40 per gallon. The vote was 8 for, 0 against, 0 abstentions.

Twin-County Swimming Pool Maintenance & Supply Co., Inc., was awarded the 2018 contract for Sodium Hypochlorite for \$1.85 per gallon, with options to renew in 2019 and 2020, with a maximum increase of 2.5% in 2019 and a maximum increase of 2.4% in the cost per gallon in 2020. Twin-County Swimming Pool Maintenance & Supply Co., Inc. has agreed to renew the 2020 contract. Last year's renewal, with a 2.5% increase, was approved at \$1.90 per gallon. With a 2.4% increase, the new price would be \$1.95 per gallon. The Authority has enjoyed a very good relationship with Twin-County Swimming Pool Maintenance & Supply Co., Inc. Superintendent Graziano believes the price to be fair and competitive and does not believe there is good reason to rebid the contract to attempt to obtain a lower price. Superintendent Graziano recommended that the Authority renew the 2020 contract for the supply of Sodium Hypochlorite with Twin-County Swimming Pool Maintenance & Supply Co., Inc. On the motion of Director Johnas, seconded by Director Levy, by Resolution #19-06-09, the Board approved the renewal of the 2020 contract for the supply of Sodium Hypochlorite with Twin-County Swimming Pool Maintenance & Supply Co., Inc., at \$1.95 per gallon. The vote was 8 for, 0 against, 0 abstentions.

Superintendent Graziano explained that the most recent inspection of storage tanks resulted in several items of concern on three tanks. As a result, he is requesting a budget transfer in the amount of \$125,000.00 to cover the work. The budget transfer is from the East Shore Road Water Main Project account #19032 to the Well & Tanks Rehabilitation budget line #19045. On the motion of Director Levy, seconded by Director Smiley, by Resolution #19-06-10, the Board reviewed and approved the request for a Budget Transfer for the repair of the three tanks. The vote was 8 for, 0 against, 0 abstentions. A copy of the Report is on file with the Secretary.

On the motion of Director Levy, seconded by Director Celender, by Resolution #19-06-11, the Board went into Executive Session at 6:20 p.m. for advice of counsel to discuss changes to the Rules and Regulations of the Water Authority. The Board emerged from Executive Session at 6:25 p.m. The Chairperson noted that although the new Rate and Fee Schedule approved by the Board on May 28, 2019, changed the penalty provisions of Article VI, Rules and Regulations for the Conservation of Water, by providing increased fines up to \$300 after a third offense, upon the advice of counsel, based upon the Authority's enabling legislation, the fine was left at \$50.00 or 30 days in jail or both, in order to conform with and not exceed the Authority's enabling legislation. With that change, on the motion of Director Johnas, seconded by Director Frank, by Resolution #19-06-12, the Board approved the changes to the Rules and Regulations based upon the new Rate and Fee Schedule approved at the May 28, 2019 Public Hearing.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:30 p.m.

Approved by Secretary: 

Date: July 15, 2019