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2 BOARD MEETING OF THE WATER AUTHORITY
3 OF GREAT NECK NORTH

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6 50 Watermill Lane
7 Great Neck, New York
8 Held via Microsoft Teams
9 May 17, 2021
10 6:06 P.M.

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10 TRANSCRIPT OF PROCEEDINGS

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12 APPEARANCES:

13 Michael C. Kalnick, Chairperson, Village of Kings Point

14 Carol Frank, Director, Town of North Hempstead

15 Jay Johneas, Director, Village of Great Neck

16 Dan Levy, Director, Village of Saddle Rock

17 Susan Lopatkin, Director, Village of Kensington

18 Gerald Schneiderman, Director, Village of Great Neck Plaza

19 Michael Smiley, Director, Village of Great Neck Estates

20 Steven Weinberg, Director, Village of Thomaston

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22 ¹ The regular monthly meeting of the Board of Directors of the Water Authority of Great Neck
23 North was held on May 17, 2021, at 6:06 P.M. in accordance with Governor Cuomo's March 13, 2020
24 Executive Order No. 202.1, extended by Executive Order No. 202.106 which permitted public meetings
25 to be held remotely by conference call. The agenda for the meeting was posted on the Authority's
website. In accordance with said Order, the public was given the ability to listen
to such proceeding at the Authority's office and this transcript was made of the public portion of the
meeting.

1 ALSO PRESENT:

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3 From the **Water Authority of Great Neck North:**

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5 Ralph J. Kreitzman, Vice-Chairperson

6 Robert Graziano, Deputy Chairperson

7 Greg Graziano, Superintendent

8 Michael Rispoli, Assistant Superintendent

9 Sue Huang, Civil Engineer

10 Adam Solow, Supervisor of Water Plant Operations

11 Judith Flynn, Treasurer

12 Debra Ray, Secretary

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14 Stephen, Limmer, Counsel, McLaughlin & Stern, LLP

15 Keith Kelly, Senior Vice President/Partner, CDM Smith,

16 Consulting Engineers

17 Gary Stuart, Associate, CDM Smith, Consulting Engineers

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1 CHAIRMAN KALNICK: Approval of the draft
2 minutes of April 12th. [Res. #21-05-01]

3 DIRECTOR LEVY: I so move.

4 CHAIRMAN KALNICK: Seconded?

5 DIRECTOR SMILEY: Second.

6 CHAIRMAN KALNICK: All in favor?

7 (Whereupon all members responded in the
8 affirmative.)

9 CHAIRPERSON KALNICK: Any abstentions?

10 (No response.)

11 CHAIRMAN KALNICK: Approval of the Abstract
12 of Claims. [Res. #21-05-02]

13 DIRECTOR LEVY: Some questions, please.

14 Page six down at the bottom, fourth from the
15 bottom, Dell 32 Curved Gaming Monitor, \$673.

16 Why do we need that?

17 SUPERINTENDENT GRAZIANO: Because we are
18 working remotely more. It's not a gaming
19 monitor, it's the bigger monitor, that's what
20 they call it, but it's a bigger monitor.

21 DIRECTOR LEVY: You could have bought three
22 60-inch TVs for that. They are going for \$200
23 now.

24 SUPERINTENDENT GRAZIANO: For my office I
25 work in, I have three monitors set up at work

1 because of all the Zoom calls and Teams calls,
2 et cetera.

3 DIRECTOR LEVY: I'm just asking because I
4 just did the same thing. I got the 45-inch
5 screen. It was like \$190.

6 SUPERINTENDENT GRAZIANO: This was for two
7 monitors, by the way. Two, not one.

8 DIRECTOR LEVY: Okay. It didn't say that.
9 It says "monitor." Okay.

10 DIRECTOR FRANK: I have a question: Did we
11 have --

12 DIRECTOR LEVY: Second question: Who are the
13 "Nerds That Care" on page eight?

14 SUPERINTENDENT GRAZIANO: That's our IT
15 company.

16 DIRECTOR LEVY: Okay. So we use outside IT,
17 we don't do our own IT?

18 SUPERINTENDENT GRAZIANO: No, we use
19 outside IT. Way too complicated.

20 DIRECTOR LEVY: Need Nerds That Care these
21 days. Can't survive without them.

22 So those were my questions.

23 I guess, Carol, it's your turn.

24 DIRECTOR FRANK: I was just going to ask:
25 Did we have a bad accident? I see there was a

1 collision.

2 TREASURER FLYNN: What page are you
3 looking at?

4 DIRECTOR FRANK: Page one.

5 SUPERINTENDENT GRAZIANO: Mike was hit
6 from behind. We are fully reimbursed for it.
7 Mike was crashed into from behind on Northern
8 Boulevard by a log truck.

9 DIRECTOR FRANK: Oh, my God. I hope he
10 didn't have any whiplash. That's bad. He had a
11 bad rear-end collusion?

12 MR. RISPOLI: Luckily I was able to get out
13 of the way at the last second. I looked up my
14 rearview mirror, this guy was slamming on his
15 horn. I was able to pull out like a second
16 before he made impact where he just kind of hit
17 my passenger rear quarter panel instead of
18 getting hit full on.

19 DIRECTOR FRANK: Thank God. That's what I
20 was worried about.

21 MR. RISPOLI: Hit two more cars in front of
22 me as soon as I got out of the way.

23 CHAIRPERSON KALNICK: They hit the other two
24 cars?

25 MR. RISPOLI: The passengers in the other two

1 cars had to go to the hospital.

2 SUPERINTENDENT GRAZIANO: They are
3 trying to sue us.

4 DIRECTOR FRANK: Really?

5 SUPERINTENDENT GRAZIANO: So our
6 insurance kicked it back to the actual log
7 truck -- they are blaming Mike for getting out
8 of the way.

9 DIRECTOR FRANK: Why were you there? I mean
10 really.

11 (Whereupon there was a discussion held off
12 the record.)

13 CHAIRMAN KALNICK: A motion to approve.

14 DIRECTOR WEINBERG: I so move?

15 DIRECTOR FRANK: Second.

16 CHAIRMAN KALNICK: All in favor?

17 (Whereupon all members responded in the
18 affirmative.)

19 CHAIRPERSON KALNICK: Any abstentions?

20 (No response.)

21 CHAIRMAN KALNICK: Treasurer's Monthly
22 Report.

23 Anything unusual?

24 MS. FLYNN: Nothing unusual.

25 CHAIRMAN KALNICK: Engineering Status Report.

1 MS. RAY: Can we get a resolution for the
2 Treasurer's Report? We have been doing that.
3 [Res. #21-05-03]

4 CHAIRMAN KALNICK: We have?

5 MS. RAY: Yes. I'm sorry.

6 CHAIRMAN KALNICK: No. It's okay.

7 DIRECTOR LEVY: I move.

8 CHAIRMAN KALNICK: Seconded?

9 DIRECTOR JOHNEAS: Seconded.

10 CHAIRMAN KALNICK: All in favor?

11 (Whereupon all members responded in the
12 affirmative.)

13 CHAIRPERSON KALNICK: Any abstentions?

14 (No response.)

15 (Whereupon there was a discussion held off
16 the record.)

17 CHAIRMAN KALNICK: Gary?

18 MR. STUART: Yes. It was included in your
19 packet. Obviously the big focus remains on
20 Well 6, Well 8 and finishing up Middle Neck
21 Road.

22 I would be happy to answer any questions on
23 the projects.

24 DIRECTOR LOPATKIN: Is Nassau County still
25 planning on doing a full restoration when we are

1 done?

2 MR. RISPOLI: Yes.

3 SUPERINTENDENT GRAZIANO: Mike and I
4 met with Nassau County a couple weeks ago and
5 they met with us, Water Pollution Control,
6 National Grid, so yes, the intent is still to
7 pave Middle Neck Road this year. They may not
8 get all of Middle Neck Road, but we asked them
9 to work from the north to the south because
10 that's the area we are trying to not restore and
11 save that money.

12 DIRECTOR LOPATKIN: So I just want to
13 point out, when you get closer to scheduling it,
14 the Jewish holidays come right after Labor Day
15 weekend, that Monday night, I think, and people
16 get really, really upset when there's very bad
17 construction and it's difficult going through
18 the main artery in town while they're out
19 shopping and getting food.

20 So just put that on your radar if at all
21 possible not to impact the community during
22 those two days. I thought that would be really
23 helpful.

24 SUPERINTENDENT GRAZIANO: We have
25 no control over the schedule.

1 DIRECTOR JOHNEAS: Did Nassau County say
2 anything about when they want to start or award
3 it?

4 SUPERINTENDENT GRAZIANO: Late summer,
5 early fall, so that would be August/September.

6 DIRECTOR LOPATKIN: I think we have to give
7 it our best shot because we represent our
8 constituents and that's a real inconvenience.
9 If we can avoid it by two days, whatever way we
10 can express our interest in those two days, I
11 can get Ellen Birnbaum on the case because she
12 will support this. I am putting it out there
13 now so we can put it on our radar. It just
14 shows we give a shit -- sorry.

15 VICE-CHAIRPERSON KREITZMAN: In my
16 experience the County is usually sensitive to
17 that.

18 DIRECTOR LOPATKIN: I would hope so.
19 All right. That was my only comment.

20 CHAIRMAN KALNICK: All right. Very good.

21 SUPERINTENDENT GRAZIANO: Middle Neck
22 Road, by the way, should be done -- all water
23 main and pipe -- should be done by the end of
24 the week for the Water Authority's project.

25 DIRECTOR FRANK: Oh, wow. Congratulations.

1 DIRECTOR WEINBERG: And when is the
2 County going to start paving?

3 SUPERINTENDENT GRAZIANO: They said
4 somewhere around the end of August/September. I
5 think they are worse than the federal
6 government. The amount of steps he listed to
7 Mike and I that they had to go through for
8 procurement was crazy.

9 So all things being equal and nothing
10 becoming a hiccup in there, they are saying end
11 of August, beginning of September, sometime
12 around that neighborhood they would like to
13 start. So they get it in before leaves come
14 down, temperature changes, et cetera. Still
15 weren't sure they would finish all of Middle
16 Neck Road this year. It's long. They are going
17 all the way from Redbrook all the way out to
18 Northern Boulevard. All the way through.

19 CHAIRMAN KALNICK: Greg, I forgot to
20 ask you today: How about the gas repair?

21 SUPERINTENDENT GRAZIANO: I know.
22 Mike and I were talking about that today. A
23 little ironic. Yeah, but the county had
24 somebody up there from the DPW, a kid. He was
25 supposed to walk the entire job and wherever

1 there was deficiency, the DPW, Nassau County DPW
2 was supposed to notify those agencies to make
3 the repairs and we have driven it, I have driven
4 it, and it's gotten worse, the gas patch, it has
5 sunk lower and lower.

6 CHAIRMAN KALNICK: They have.

7 SUPERINTENDENT GRAZIANO: Again, we
8 are the Water Authority, only concern for us is
9 with the water main and our patch. We have
10 nothing to do with the County DPW. So we told
11 them that it was low. We told them it was not
12 our patch and they were going to have somebody
13 walk it and make those utilities make the
14 repairs, but we haven't seen anything done on
15 Middle Neck Road.

16 MR. GRAZIANO: Greg, do you think it pays
17 to give a heads up about what Great Neck Water
18 Pollution Control plans to do?

19 DIRECTOR JOHNEAS: They have a lot going on?

20 SUPERINTENDENT GRAZIANO: They are doing
21 a study as we speak and their study is not going
22 to be done for a while. They're talking about
23 putting a bid out the end of this year and doing
24 construction next year. So they are repairing
25 parts of Middle Neck Road up next year in the

1 County -- the County is going to make,
2 supposedly do curb-to-curb for 100 feet in each
3 direction of their patch.

4 VICE-CHAIRPERSON KREITZMAN: They are
5 contemplating some major work there, unlike what
6 they told us the first time, Greg, two manholes.

7 SUPERINTENDENT GRAZIANO: Right.
8 They are doing that this year but this bigger
9 project is going to take place next year. It's
10 not like it's any surprise to them that the
11 County is paving.

12 DIRECTOR LEVY: Between what streets?

13 SUPERINTENDENT GRAZIANO: They are
14 very secretive on everything. I know they are
15 looking in the Wooleys Lane area.

16 MR. RISPOLI: I believe that there was
17 Wooleys Lane to Linden, that's what they floated
18 out there, but nothing definitive.

19 DIRECTOR FRANK: Shouldn't that be in their
20 minutes from their meeting? I don't see how
21 that can be secretive.

22 SUPERINTENDENT GRAZIANO: I think because
23 they've approved the study, they hadn't approved
24 an actual project.

25 DIRECTOR FRANK: Okay.

1 SUPERINTENDENT GRAZIANO: That's what
2 they will say, it's still being studied.

3 VICE-CHAIRPERSON KREITZMAN: But also
4 they are going to do work at Old
5 Mill/Picadilly/Middle Neck Road.

6 SUPERINTENDENT GRAZIANO: That's
7 supposed to be happening soon. Right, Mike?

8 MR. RISPOLI: Yeah. Prior to the county
9 coming in to do their paving. They started some
10 work there, I think just exploratory, but I
11 don't think anything has been completed as of
12 yet.

13 CHAIRMAN KALNICK: They're on Spring Lane
14 now and they estimate a six-month job on Spring.
15 They closed the road down.

16 MR. RISPOLI: We had to go up there and
17 move one of our water services. They pay for it
18 but it's kind of a last second thing we had to
19 do for them.

20 CHAIRMAN KALNICK: No further questions?
21 (No response.)

22 CHAIRPERSON KALNICK: Greg, you're on.

23 SUPERINTENDENT GRAZIANO: The first item
24 I have is Award of Contract for hydrants, valves
25 and fittings. All items, all metals, steels,

1 copper, the supply chain has been pretty much
2 cut off so there are long lag times and huge
3 price increases across the board which is
4 reflected in this bid and bids coming forward.

5 So this year, two bidders; Ferguson and
6 T. Mina Supply. Ferguson was the lowest bidder for
7 the items listed on the left side of the page;
8 and T. Mina Supply was the lowest bidder for the
9 items listed on the right side.

10 These are just estimates of what we have used
11 in the past, not set in stone, so the bid would
12 be approximately \$164,841.53 for Ferguson and
13 \$164,457 for T. Mina. Ferguson's bid was about
14 \$10,559 more than 2020 and T. Mina was \$13,162.
15 We are going to try before our existing contract
16 expires to buy as many items as we can off the
17 existing bid, what we can store reasonably and before
18 we segue into this contract, but they
19 were talking about originally a 20 to 30%
20 increase from last year.

21 DIRECTOR JOHNEAS: If we could hold
22 last year's prices with them, I would stock up
23 on what you can. Some of the stuff is getting
24 hard to find, hard to get.

25 SUPERINTENDENT GRAZIANO: Yes. Mike,

1 how long did it take you to get hydrants?

2 MR. RISPOLI: We're still waiting on one,
3 it's about three months in the making. It
4 really is unbelievable. Ferguson had agreed to
5 stock two of each hydrant and as we order one
6 they would reorder it and keep it at their
7 warehouse until we were ready for it. And then
8 it got to a point during the height of the
9 pandemic where they just couldn't get anything
10 from months and months and months. So we have
11 been waiting on a five-and-a-half foot fire
12 hydrant for just about three months.

13 SUPERINTENDENT GRAZIANO: So this is
14 across the board. The treatment project we are
15 working on at Watermill Lane, H2M is doing that
16 design, and the pricing that they are getting in
17 on their other treatment projects are coming in
18 very, very high, extremely high. So this is
19 just typical for what's unfortunately going on
20 out there right now.

21 So that being said, we need all these items.
22 Thankfully some of these items are reimbursable
23 to the Authority. Any time we put a service in
24 the developer pays for the service so any of those
25 items: copper, curb boxes, couplings, a

1 lot of that should be reimbursed to the
2 Authority moving forward as we install services.

3 So based on that I recommend to award the
4 Hydrants, Valves and Fittings, 6/1/21-5/21/22
5 contract to Ferguson Waterworks and T. Mina
6 Supply in accordance with the recommendation of
7 Superintendent Graziano in his letter to the
8 Board dated May 17, 2021.

9 CHAIRMAN KALNICK: Moved by?

10 DIRECTOR LEVY: I so move. [Res. #21-05-04]

11 CHAIRMAN KALNICK: Seconded?

12 DIRECTOR WEINBERG: Second.

13 CHAIRMAN KALNICK: All in favor?

14 (Whereupon all members responded in the
15 affirmative.)

16 CHAIRPERSON KALNICK: Any abstentions?

17 (No response.)

18 DIRECTOR JOHNEAS: Greg, I have one question
19 on this. When you're doing all of this
20 reimbursement for the customer, when you go and
21 you get these prices that are going up 10, 20,
22 30%, do those costs get reflected back --

23 SUPERINTENDENT GRAZIANO: I lost you at the
24 end there. Sorry, Jay.

25 DIRECTOR JOHNEAS: Through the year.

1 Extra surcharges or the higher costs for
2 these items, do they get billed back to the
3 customer also at the higher rate?

4 SUPERINTENDENT GRAZIANO: Yes.
5 So Mike and someone from our office gives out a
6 proposal estimate sheet to do the job. Once the job
7 is completed there is a reconciliation done and
8 actual costs are put in. We typically always take
9 much -- not much more, but we take more money
10 than the job costs and we are typically giving
11 money back at the end. 95% of the time I would say
12 we give the money back so we should be covered
13 and then we will just adjust the cost estimate sheet
14 moving forward with the new items.

15 DIRECTOR JOHNEAS: I'm just saying
16 because I buy a lot of this stuff too and I
17 don't know when you say 20 or 30%, I don't know if
18 it's going to stop there.

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20 SUPERINTENDENT GRAZIANO: Yes. Steel --
21 so for instance for the H2M job, web-based steel
22 has a 14-month lag time. That's what the roof
23 joists were being designed with so we switched
24 to regular steel and it was a \$70,000 cost just
25 to switch to those roof joists. Now the regular

1 steel joists look like they may be the same lag
2 time so we may be back to the web. We'll put it
3 out both ways and see in the pricing.

4 DIRECTOR JOHNEAS: Thank you.

5 SUPERINTENDENT GRAZIANO: Sure.

6 Next item is looking for emergency approval
7 and resolution for the purchase of the UV
8 systems for the treatment system at Watermill Lane.

9 Two proposals are in the board packet; one is
10 for -- I'm not sure which order you have them
11 in -- one is for \$1,511,000; that is for 2-A and
12 9 as they are going to be working in
13 conjunction, two systems but teamed together.

14 The second proposal from Trojan is for 11-A
15 for \$717,000. If the Board remembers, we purchased
16 the carbon vessels under emergency. We would like
17 to be do the same thing here as lead times for all
18 these items are getting
19 extended further and further out. So we would like
20 to do these purchases under -- in addition, Trojan is
21 the sole supplier for approval in New
22 York State -- under New York State Department of
23 Health to treat 1,4 Dioxane. So they are
24 basically the only game in town at this point.

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1 MR. LIMMER: So basically -- because the DEC
2 the approved them, Greg?

3 SUPERINTENDENT GRAZIANO: Department of
4 Health.

5 MR. LIMMER: Because the Department of
6 Health has only approved them, we have no
7 choice.

8 SUPERINTENDENT GRAZIANO: Right. Plus time.

9 MR. LIMMER: Both things: One, it's an
10 emergency to get it in because of our
11 commitment, our requirement under state regs to
12 do the treatment, and two, under the Health
13 Department regulations, there is nobody else we
14 are allowed to go to, so it's for both reasons--
15 so we have that in the minutes. Thank you.

16 SUPERINTENDENT GRAZIANO: Yes. And
17 Steve, could we do the same resolution as you
18 did for the Trojan system last year that was
19 approved by the DEC, if the board is okay with
20 that?

21 MR. LIMMER: Yes, and I discussed this
22 with Greg before, the contract with Trojan last
23 time took, I think it was more than a month to
24 negotiate.

25 SUPERINTENDENT GRAZIANO: Four- to five

1 months.

2 MR. LIMMER: So rather than having
3 to do that all over again, Greg spoke to them to
4 basically say that these purchases will be on
5 the same terms and conditions as the prior
6 contract and obviate that extremely long
7 process.

8 VICE-CHAIRPERSON KREITZMAN: Good.
9 Because I had a lot of problems I was going to
10 raise with that contract.

11 MR. LIMMER: I checked with Greg before I
12 started reviewing it.

13 SUPERINTENDENT GRAZIANO: Please
14 disregard that.

15 I have an e-mail from Alison from H2M that
16 Trojan has confirmed that the previously
17 agreed-upon T&C and payment terms on the Well 6
18 Project would be valid on the Watermill Lane
19 Project as well. We are going to put that on
20 the purchase order to them that all the terms
21 and conditions of the Well 6 contract that they
22 signed apply to this and they are fine with
23 that.

24 MR. LIMMER: Okay. But they have to
25 sign off on that because their form says that it

1 supersedes any changes in the purchase order.

2 SUPERINTENDENT GRAZIANO: Okay.

3 MR. LIMMER: So we need something
4 more formal other than just putting it in our
5 purchase order.

6 CHAIRMAN KALNICK: Steve, do we need an
7 approval for each or we can just do it in both?

8 MR. LIMMER: Since they are two separate
9 contracts, I would do separate resolutions.

10 As to the purchase for Wells 2-A and 9, I suggest
11 the following resolution:

12 Whereas, with the authorization of both the
13 Nassau County and New York State Departments of
14 Health, Trojan Technologies was chosen for the
15 pilot study for the UV system treatment of 1,4 Dioxane
16 in Authority wells on a public emergency basis pursuant
17 to General Municipal Law section
18 103(4) because of its expertise, reputation, the
19 availability of its system, its footprint on
20 Long Island, and the unforeseen occurrence
21 affecting public health requiring immediate
22 action, which could not await competitive
23 bidding; and

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25 Whereas, both the Nassau County and New York

1 State Departments of Health require that the
2 Authority use the Trojan Technologies UV system
3 because it was used by the Authority for its
4 pilot study; and

5 Whereas, Trojan Technologies UV system is
6 presently the only system that can treat the
7 quantity of water needed for Wells 2-A and 9;
8 and

9 Whereas, the need to purchase the UV system
10 without competitive bidding is because the
11 Authority is obligated to treat the 1,4 Dioxane
12 in the water from Wells 2-A and 9 as soon as
13 practicable as a result of an unforeseen
14 occurrence affecting public health requiring
15 immediate action, which cannot await competitive
16 bidding, and therefore is exempt from the
17 requirement for competitive bidding as a "public
18 emergency" pursuant to General Municipal Law
19 section 103(4;

20 Now therefore, the purchase of the UV system
21 from Trojan Technologies for Wells 2-A and 9,
22 for the total sum of \$1,511,000, is hereby
23 approved on the same terms and conditions as the
24 previous contract between the Authority and
25 Trojan Technologies.

1 CHAIRMAN KALNICK: On the first Trojan
2 contract, motion to approve? [Res. #21-05-05]

3 DIRECTOR LOPATKIN: So moved.

4 CHAIRMAN KALNICK: Seconded?

5 DIRECTOR JOHNEAS: Second.

6 CHAIRMAN KALNICK: All in favor?

7 (Whereupon all members responded in the
8 affirmative.)

9 CHAIRPERSON KALNICK: Any abstentions?
10 (No response.)

11 MR. LIMMER: As to the purchase for Well
12 11-A, I suggest the following resolution:

13 Whereas, with the authorization of both the
14 Nassau County and New York State Departments of
15 Health, Trojan Technologies was chosen for the
16 pilot study for the UV system treatment of 1,4
17 Dioxane in Authority wells on a public emergency
18 basis pursuant to General Municipal Law section
19 103(4) because of its expertise, reputation, the
20 availability of its system, its footprint on
21 Long Island, and the unforeseen occurrence
22 affecting public health requiring immediate
23 action, which could not await competitive
24 bidding; and

25 Whereas, both the Nassau County and New York

1 State Departments of Health require that the
2 Authority use the Trojan Technologies UV system
3 because it was used by the Authority for
4 its pilot study; and

5 Whereas, Trojan Technologies UV system is
6 presently the only system that can treat the
7 quantity of water needed for Well 11-A; and

8 Whereas, the need to purchase the UV system
9 without competitive bidding is because the
10 Authority is obligated to treat the 1,4 Dioxane
11 in the water from Well 11-A as soon as
12 practicable as a result of an unforeseen
13 occurrence affecting public health requiring
14 immediate action, which cannot await competitive
15 bidding, and therefore is exempt from the
16 requirement for competitive bidding as a "public
17 emergency" pursuant to General Municipal Law
18 section 103(4);

19 Now therefore, the purchase of the UV system
20 from Trojan Technologies for Well 11-A, for the
21 total sum of \$717,000, is hereby approved on the
22 same terms and conditions as the previous
23 contract between the Authority and Trojan
24 Technologies.

25 CHAIRMAN KALNICK: On the second Trojan

1 contract, motion to approve? [Res. #21-05-06]
2 DIRECTOR JOHNEAS: Motion.
3 CHAIRMAN KALNICK: Seconded.
4 DIRECTOR WEINBERG: Second.
5 CHAIRMAN KALNICK: All in favor?
6 (Whereupon all members responded in the
7 affirmative.)
8 CHAIRPERSON KALNICK: Any abstentions?
9 (No response.)
10 DIRECTOR FRANK: Could I just ask a question?
11 SUPERINTENDENT GRAZIANO: Sure.
12 DIRECTOR FRANK: Are there so few
13 companies nationwide who would be able to
14 provide this that New York State sort of left us
15 with no choice?
16 SUPERINTENDENT GRAZIANO: This is an
17 emerging contaminant for the 1,4 Dioxane so what
18 you pilot is what you have to buy so we piloted the
19 Trojan system. There is another system trying to
20 gain traction but they have only been able to pilot
21 on the 100-gallon per minute range and it hasn't
22 been very successful. So each of these wells are
23 over a thousand gallons a minute so the only
24 system nationwide that could do it is this Trojan
25 system.

1 DIRECTOR FRANK: Okay. That answers my
2 question.

3 VICE-CHAIRPERSON KREITZMAN: I was just
4 looking -- you could have saved me a lot of
5 time, I was just looking at my comments.

6 I still have one question though: In one of
7 the contracts, I forget which one, it lists
8 spare parts and it has an amount next to them,
9 then at the end it has a total price.

10 Does the total price include the spare parts
11 are or are those all extras?

12 SUPERINTENDENT GRAZIANO: No, that
13 includes the spare parts.

14 VICE-CHAIRPERSON KREITZMAN: Because it
15 wasn't entirely clear to me. You might want to
16 make that clear when you respond as well.

17 SUPERINTENDENT GRAZIANO: Sure. But I
18 know it includes all of that. That's why the
19 prices for 2-A and 9 do not add up to the
20 \$700,000 number. It's a little bit more because
21 there are more spare parts put under that
22 proposal.

23 VICE-CHAIRPERSON KREITZMAN: Okay.
24 I couldn't understand why they put a number next
25 to them if they put a total at the end.

1 SUPERINTENDENT GRAZIANO: Okay.

2 CHAIRMAN KALNICK: Greg, the Interconnect?

3 SUPERINTENDENT GRAZIANO: Yes. So as Gary
4 alluded to before, Well 6 and Well 8 projects, the
5 SMLP projects, were supposed to be completed
6 by the end of this month. Neither project is going
7 to make it by that timeline. Well 6 looks like
8 middle of July. We had a meeting with them
9 today, they are hoping to have water flowing
10 through the site come June 15th -- but we still
11 have weeks and weeks of sampling for the 1,4
12 Dioxane and all the requirements from the Health
13 Department. So it still looks best to get
14 online with Well 6 is the middle of July. Well 8,
15 I'd say, probably best would be beginning of
16 July at this point.

17 Do you agree with that?

18 MR. STUART: Yes. I think the early
19 part of July. It's a less complicated process.

20 SUPERINTENDENT GRAZIANO: Right,
21 less sampling, et cetera.

22 So just in case we have a very hot, dry
23 summer, which we can't predict, I asked Paul
24 Schrader from Manhasset-Lakeville for an
25 Interconnection Agreement. They will charge us

1 \$4.81 per thousand gallons. I have the numbers
2 but I think that would probably be better
3 discussed in Executive Session, but it's not
4 going to be a point where it's costing us, let's
5 put it this way. We can ask more in Executive
6 Session, that's fine, but it would not cost us
7 money to buy the water for what we could do.

8 DIRECTOR LEVY: Greg, I have a question:
9 Is there a reason why we don't want to install a
10 meter so we know exactly what we are taking?

11 CHAIRMAN KALNICK: The cost, Dan.

12 DIRECTOR LEVY: How much is the cost?

13 CHAIRMAN KALNICK: \$70,000 to install, Greg?

14 DIRECTOR LEVY: A meter?

15 SUPERINTENDENT GRAZIANO: On Great Neck Road.

16 CHAIRMAN KALNICK: The interconnect is in the
17 middle of the road so the requirements for a
18 meter pit in the road, right, Greg, are
19 \$70,000, approximately?

20 SUPERINTENDENT GRAZIANO: Yeah. We have
21 gotten ranges from \$39,000 to somewhere around
22 that number, but we have to make sure -- we have
23 to look at the proposals and make sure they are
24 apples to apples.

25 DIRECTOR LEVY: Enough said. I thought we're

1 talking about a meter somewhere -- got you.

2 SUPERINTENDENT GRAZIANO: No.

3 This is a six-inch meter in a vault, it has to
4 be a vault so it's not a confined space. As of
5 right now, Bob came up with a good idea, maybe
6 around then we will reprice it a different way,
7 but Manhasset-Lakeville wants the meter but
8 that's another conversation probably for
9 Executive Session and who is going to pay for
10 the meter and the installation of it. Rather
11 that not be in the minutes if you don't mind.

12 MR. LIMMER: It's contract negotiation. It
13 can be in Executive Session.

14 SUPERINTENDENT GRAZIANO: But based on
15 just buying the water at the rate that they are
16 presenting to us, I recommend the Board, if we
17 need to in an emergency, approve this agreement
18 with Manhasset-Lakeville. [Res. #21-05-07]

19 DIRECTOR LEVY: Okay. You need a motion?

20 CHAIRMAN KALNICK: Yes.

21 DIRECTOR LEVY: I'll move.

22 CHAIRMAN KALNICK: Seconded?

23 VICE-CHAIRPERSON KREITZMAN: Second.

24 CHAIRMAN KALNICK: All in favor?

25 (Whereupon all members responded in the

1 affirmative.)

2 CHAIRPERSON KALNICK: Any abstentions?

3 (No response.)

4 VICE-CHAIRPERSON KREITZMAN: Are we going
5 to go into Executive Session? I have a question
6 concerning that.

7 SUPERINTENDENT GRAZIANO: Yes. We have
8 to go into something even bigger which you sent
9 out last week.

10 VICE-CHAIRPERSON KREITZMAN: I'll ask
11 the question later.

12 CHAIRMAN KALNICK: Yes.

13 SUPERINTENDENT GRAZIANO: Next item
14 is an update on the Watermill Lane Treatment
15 Project. We were supposed to be receiving 90%
16 drawings this week. Currently we're on schedule
17 for advertisement of the project June 7th and
18 receive bids the week of July 5th.

19 Because of the issues with availability of
20 materials and labor, et cetera, it's not just
21 materials, labor has also become a major issue,
22 so we are going to bid the job out in two
23 different ways. We are going to bid it out with a
24 12-month completion date and an 18-month
25 completion date.

1 Initially this job was supposed to kick off
2 in September and finish before next summer.
3 There's just no way with everything that's going
4 on that we could have any chance of finishing
5 before next summer. So we are going to price it
6 out 12 and 18 months and we will let the Board
7 know if there is a significant -- when we bring
8 the bids back -- if there is a significant
9 difference in savings to go to 18 months.

10 We worked with H2M very closely to do a
11 bypass of what they are building so therefore we
12 could stay in service with our wells while it's
13 being built. The only downside is one of those
14 wells has hit the MCL once before so we are
15 riding a very, very fine line with Well 11-A.
16 It's backed off in the last few months on its
17 levels but it's something we have to
18 continuously monitor. So as long as those
19 levels stay down we may be able to get out the
20 18 months, but that's what we will have to
21 discuss; what the savings are and what the risk
22 is once we get those bids back and figure out
23 the best way to proceed. The numbers may creep
24 up and it doesn't matter the difference, we may
25 have no choice but to go for the 12 months

1 because we are going to lose the well. But we
2 are going to price it out both ways and see if
3 we can save some money that way.

4 And we talked about the AOP system. So
5 that's really where that project is at. It's
6 growing. Sue is working with H2M again tomorrow
7 to get a more fine tuned estimate, cost
8 estimate of the job. I think originally in
9 their bid they said somewhere around \$11-
10 \$12 million, the 30% drawings when they had those
11 completed they estimated -- Sue, do you remember
12 what that was? Was that \$16 million?

13 MS. HUANG: I had contingency added.

14 SUPERINTENDENT GRAZIANO: \$14 million?

15 MS. HUANG: Yes, \$14 for construction then
16 they were one and a half for engineering, so all
17 in it was about \$15 and a half, \$16.

18 SUPERINTENDENT GRAZIANO: So it went up
19 about \$2 million from their initial estimate for
20 construction, roughly, \$2 million. And we are
21 still -- it's still a moving target so we want
22 to get it designed and bid as soon as possible
23 so the number doesn't keep getting worse for us.

24 Any question on that update?

25 (No response.)

1 SUPERINTENDENT GRAZIANO: Okay.

2 Last item: Keith has had a terrible time
3 with the cell carriers trying to get them to
4 comply and come to give him what he needs to put
5 proposals together for them to fix the issues
6 that they have created up on our elevated tank
7 at Weybridge Road. The only two so far to be
8 working with us somewhat are Verizon and AT&T.
9 So therefore not to penalize them for Sprint and T-
10 Mobile, we are going to move forward with letting
11 Verizon and AT&T fix what they have to fix and
12 you'll see a cost proposal is attached
13 and this is all reimbursable from both AT&T and
14 Verizon.

15 So I would ask the Board to approve this
16 proposal subject to the Authority receiving the
17 funds to complete the work [Res. #21-05-08]

18 CHAIRMAN KALNICK: So moved by?

19 DIRECTOR SMILEY: So moved.

20 CHAIRMAN KALNICK: Seconded?

21 DIRECTOR LEVY: Second.

22 CHAIRMAN KALNICK: All in favor?

23 (Whereupon all members responded in the
24 affirmative.)

25 CHAIRPERSON KALNICK: Any abstentions?

1 (No response.

2 SUPERINTENDENT GRAZIANO: And the
3 last item which took us a little bit of time to
4 get out because there was actually a paper
5 shortage, is our Annual Drinking Water Quality Report
6 which has been mailed out and so forth.

7 Was there an increase in the cost of the
8 paper too?

9 MS. RAY: There was no increase, just a delay
10 in getting it, from what I understand.

11 SUPERINTENDENT GRAZIANO: So, it's out
12 and we just want to get the Board a copy of it
13 just in case any questions come through.

14 And that's all I have.

15 DIRECTOR LEVY: Do we need a motion to go
16 into Executive Session?

17 (Whereupon there was a discussion held off
18 the record.

19 MR. LIMMER: The Executive Session has to do
20 with legal advice with regard to the new
21 moratorium law and contract negotiations for the
22 interconnect as to Manhasset-Lakeville Water
23 District.

24 CHAIRPERSON KALNICK: All in favor?

25 (Whereupon all Board members responded in the

1 affirmative.) [Res. #21-05-09]

2 (Whereupon the Board went into Executive
3 Session from 6:38 P.M. to 7:13 P.M.

4 CHAIRMAN KALNICK: Motion to authorize
5 me to approve one of the two forms that you've
6 just read, subject to counsel's advice.

7 MR. LIMMER: I don't think we need a
8 resolution on that because we are just following
9 the requirements of the law. So you can do it
10 if you want to but I don't think it's necessary.
11 If you want something, you can just authorize
12 providing notice to the customers pursuant to
13 the new moratorium legislation and then define
14 the new moratorium legislation without getting
15 into more specifics.

16 VICE-CHAIRPERSON KREITZMAN: I think we
17 should authorize Michael to approve the language
18 pursuant to the law.

19 MR. LIMMER: That's fine.

20 CHAIRMAN KALNICK: Forgive me. My
21 utilization of the term resolution was
22 inappropriate, I meant authorization. Thank
23 you, Ralph, you're right. [Res. #21-05-10]

24 DIRECTOR LOPATKIN: So moved.

25 DIRECTOR FRANK: Second.

1 CHAIRMAN KALNICK: All in favor?

2 (Whereupon all members responded in the
3 affirmative.)

4 CHAIRPERSON KALNICK: Any abstentions?

5 (No response.)

6 CHAIRMAN KALNICK: Greg, anything else?

7 SUPERINTENDENT GRAZIANO: That's it. Thank
8 you, everyone.

9 CHAIRMAN KALNICK: Thank you.

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11 (Time noted: 7:14 P.M.)

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