

MASSACHUSETTS WATER RESOURCES AUTHORITY

Meeting of the Board of Directors

June 29, 2016

A meeting of the Board of Directors of the Massachusetts Water Resources Authority was held on June 29, 2016 at the Authority headquarters in Charlestown. Chairman Beaton presided. Present from the Board were Ms. Wolowicz and Messrs. Blackmon, Carroll, Cotter, Foti, Pappastergion, Vitale and Walsh. Messrs. Flanagan and Peña were absent. Among those present from the Authority staff were Frederick Laskey, Executive Director, Steven Remsberg, General Counsel, Michael Hornbrook, Chief Operating Officer, Thomas Durkin, Director of Finance, Michele Gillen, Director of Administration, and Bonnie Hale, Assistant Secretary. The meeting was called to order at 1:10 p.m.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Upon a motion duly made and seconded, it was

Voted to approve the minutes of the Board of Directors' meeting of June 8, 2016, as presented and filed with the records of the meeting.

REPORT OF THE CHAIR

Mr. Beaton remarked on the wonderful time had by all, especially Governor Baker, at the groundbreaking of the fish hatchery pipeline which took place on June 20.

REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Also on the subject of the fish hatchery pipeline groundbreaking, Mr. Laskey congratulated the state officials, MWRA staff, particularly Pam Heidell, and all who worked so hard bringing the project to the start of construction. In addition, he reported on the recent Spot Pond Storage Tank dedication, congratulated Joseph Foti on his reappointment to the

Board of Directors for a sixth term, and noted that Board members would be polled regarding the possibility of cancelling one of the two scheduled summer Board meetings.

APPROVALS

Approval of Seventy-Third Supplemental Resolution

During the discussion of the financial update agenda item at the Administration, Finance and Audit Committee meeting, the Committee voted to recommend authorization of an additional refunding if interest rates remained advantageous. The item was referred to the Board for approval.

Upon a motion duly made and seconded, it was

Voted to adopt the Seventy-Third Supplemental Resolution authorizing the issuance of up to \$150,000,000 of Massachusetts Water Resources Authority General Revenue Refunding Bonds and the supporting Issuance Resolution. This refunding authorization will expire on September 15, 2016 unless a bond purchase agreement has been signed or the time frame is extended by the Board of Directors.

Final FY17 Capital Improvement Program

Upon a motion duly made and seconded, it was

Voted to approve the Final FY17 Capital Improvement Program (CIP) with a total budget of \$164.4 million for FY17 including \$155.7 million in project spending and \$8.7 million in contingency.

Final FY17 Current Expense Budget

Upon a motion duly made and seconded, it was

Voted to: (1) adopt the Final FY17 Current Expense Budget (CEB) set forth in Attachment B and Attachment C with current revenue and expenses of \$719.6 million; and (2) adopt the Final FY17 Operating Budget (Trustee's Budget) set forth in Attachment D; all as presented and filed with the records of the meeting.

Final FY17 Water and Sewer Assessments

Upon a motion duly made and seconded, it was

Voted to adopt the following effective July 1, 2016: (1) Water system assessments of \$234,262,737 and sewer system assessments of \$460,615,763 for Fiscal Year 2017; (2) FY17 sewer assessments of \$500,000 for the Town of Clinton and \$305,075 for the Lancaster Sewer District; (3) FY17 charge to the City of Worcester of \$151,582 representing approximately 7.9% of the direct operating expenses for the Clinton Advanced Wastewater Treatment Plant; (4) FY17 water assessments of \$3,424,820 for the City of Chicopee, \$707,836 for South Hadley Fire District #1, and \$781,288 for the Town of Wilbraham; (5) A wholesale water rate of \$3,471.65 per million gallons; and (6) A retail sewer rate of \$7,117.78 per million gallons.

Renewal of Reading and Wellesley Water Supply Continuation Agreements

Upon a motion duly made and seconded, it was

Voted to authorize the Executive Director, on behalf of the Authority, to execute ten-year Water Supply Continuation Agreements with the towns of Reading and Wellesley, substantially in the form presented and filed with the records of the meeting as Attachments 1 and 2.

Appointment of Program Manager, Chemistry, ENQUAL

Upon a motion duly made and seconded, it was

Voted to approve the Executive Director's recommendation to appoint Ms. Mandu Inyang to the position of Program Manager, Chemistry Environmental Quality, ENQUAL (Unit 9, Grade 29), at an annual salary of \$94,499.04, to be effective on a date to be determined by the Executive Director.

Appointment of Operations Supervisor, Clinton Advanced Wastewater Treatment Plant

Upon a motion duly made and seconded, it was

Voted to approve the Executive Director's recommendation to appoint Mr. George Poske, to the position of Operations Supervisor, Clinton Advanced Wastewater Treatment Plant (Unit 3, Grade 24), at an annual salary of \$85,993.55, to be effective on a date to be determined by the Executive Director.

Appointment of Operations Liaison, Deer Island Treatment Plant

Upon a motion duly made and seconded, it was

Voted to approve the Executive Director's recommendation to appoint Ms. Cynthia Parks to the position of Operations Liaison, Deer Island Treatment Plant (Unit 6, Grade 10), at an annual salary of \$87,790.99, to be effective on a date to be determined by the Executive Director.

Appointment of Area Manager, Deer Island Treatment Plant

Upon a motion duly made and seconded, it was

Voted to approve the appointment of Mr. Mark Lavino to the position of Area Manager, Deer Island Treatment Plant (Unit 6, Grade 12), at an annual salary of \$89,367.63, to be effective on a date to be determined by the Executive Director.

FY17 Non-Union Compensation

Upon a motion duly made and seconded, it was

Voted to take the following actions in MWRA's FY17 Non-Union Compensation Program: (1) Authorize the Executive Director to implement a 1.5% across-the-board compensation adjustment for non-union managers effective with the first FY17 payroll, and a 1.5% across-the-board adjustment for non-union managers effective December 31, 2016; and (2) Approve a revision to the non-union salary ranges for FY17 as presented and filed with the records of the meeting.

CONTRACT AWARDS

Chelsea Creek Headworks Upgrade, Resident Engineering/ Resident Inspection Services: CDM Smith Inc., Contract 6802

Upon a motion duly made and seconded, it was

Voted to approve the recommendation of the Consultant Selection Committee to select CDM Smith Inc. to provide Resident Engineering and Resident Inspection Services during construction of the Chelsea Creek Headworks Upgrade, and to authorize the Executive Director, on behalf of the Authority, to execute and deliver Contract 6802 with CDM Smith Inc. in an amount not to exceed \$3,632,829 for a term of fifty-one months from the Notice to Proceed.

Farm Pond Inlet Chamber, Farm Pond Gatehouse and Waban Arches Evaluations: Green International Affiliates, Inc., Contract 7473

Upon a motion duly made and seconded, it was

Voted to approve the recommendation of the Consultant Selection Committee to select Green International Affiliates, Inc. to provide consulting services to the Authority for the Farm Pond Inlet Chamber, Farm Pond Gatehouse and Waban Arches Evaluations project, and to authorize the Executive Director, on behalf of the Authority, to execute and deliver Contract 7343 in the amount of \$339,126 for a term of 18 months from the Notice to Proceed.

CONTRACT AMENDMENTS/CHANGE ORDERS

Fire Protection Sprinkler System Service: William M. Collins Co., Inc., Contract OP-285, Change Order 2

Upon a motion duly made and seconded, it was

Voted to authorize the Executive Director, on behalf of the Authority, to approve Change Order 2 to increase the amount of Contract OP-285 with William M. Collins Co., Inc., Fire Protection Sprinkler System Service, in an amount not-to-exceed \$57,596.72, with no increase in contract term; and to authorize the Executive

Voted to enter executive session for the purpose of discussing strategy with respect to litigation and to consider the purchase, exchange, lease or value of real property in that such discussion in open session may have a detrimental effect on the litigating and negotiating positions of the Authority.

It was stated that the meeting would return to open session solely for the consideration of adjournment.

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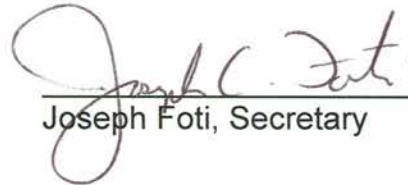
EXECUTIVE SESSION

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The meeting returned to open session at 2:00 p.m. and adjourned.

Approved: July 13, 2016

Attest:



Joseph Foti, Secretary