

# MASSACHUSETTS WATER RESOURCES AUTHORITY

## Meeting of the Board of Directors

December 20, 2017

A meeting of the Board of Directors of the Massachusetts Water Resources Authority was held on December 20, 2017 at the Authority headquarters in Charlestown. Vice-Chair Carroll presided at the outset. Present from the Board were Ms. Wolowicz and Messrs. Blackmon, Cotter, Flanagan, Foti, Pappastergion, Peña, Vitale and Walsh; Chairman Beaton joined the meeting in progress. 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 November 15, 2017, as presented and filed with the records of the meeting.

### REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Mr. Laskey welcomed Ms. Bethany Card, MWRA's new Director of Environmental & Regulatory Affairs. He reported on various matters, including: handing out for the Board's consideration a mock-up of a pamphlet similar to the annual water Consumer Confidence Report sent to all households but reporting on the Authority's wastewater program; notice of a meeting regarding the Wachusett Railroad taking place at the Governor's office the next day; and the intention to have the Annual Meeting of the Board in January.

APPROVALS

Transmittal of FY2019 Proposed Capital Improvement Program and FY2019-2023 Spending Cap to the MWRA Advisory Board

Upon a motion duly made and seconded, it was

Voted to approve the transmittal of the FY2019 Proposed Capital Improvement Program and the Proposed FY2019-2023 Spending Cap to the MWRA Advisory Board for its 60-day review and comment period.

Approval of Seventy-Sixth Supplemental Resolution

Upon a motion duly made and seconded, it was

Voted to adopt the Seventy-Sixth Supplemental Resolution authorizing the issuance of up to \$50,000,000 of Massachusetts Water Resources Authority Subordinated General Revenue Bonds and the supporting issuance resolution.

Renewal of Water Supply Continuation Agreements with Chicopee Valley Aqueduct Communities

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 Chicopee, South Hadley Fire District Number # 1, and Wilbraham, substantially in the form presented and filed with the records of the meeting.

(Chairman Beaton joined the meeting.)

Revisions to Management Policy for Staff Appointments

Upon a motion duly made and seconded, it was

Voted to adopt an amendment to the Management Policies of the Board of Directors pertaining to Staff Appointments (Part II, Human Resources, Section G) to revise the basis of the Board of Directors' approval of appointments of

employees from an annual salary level threshold to specific position classification levels, as presented and filed with the records of the meeting.

PCR Amendment – December 2017

Upon a motion duly made and seconded, it was

Voted to approve an amendment to the Position Control Register, as presented and filed with the records of the meeting.

Appointment of Senior Program Manager, SCADA Engineering

Upon a motion duly made and seconded, it was

Voted to approve the Executive Director's recommendation to appoint Mr. Thai Nguyen to the position of Senior Program Manager, SCADA Engineering (Unit 9, Grade 30), at an annual salary of \$126,607.94, commencing on a date to be determined by the Executive Director.

Appointment of Project Manager, Inspections, TRAC

Upon a motion duly made and seconded, it was

Voted to approve the appointment of Walter Schultz to the position of Project Manager, Inspections, Toxic Reduction and Control (Unit 9, Grade 25) at the recommended salary of \$104,221.76, to be effective on a date to be determined by the Executive Director.

CONTRACT AWARDS

Financial and Swap Advisory Services: PFM Financial Advisors, LLC, Contract F247

Upon a motion duly made and seconded, it was

Voted to approve the recommendation of the Consultant Selection Committee to select PFM Financial Advisors LLC to provide financial and swap advisory services and to authorize the Executive Director, on behalf of the Authority, to execute and deliver Contract F247 with PFM Financial Advisors LLC

in an amount not to exceed \$580,750 for a term of four years from the Notice to Proceed.

Dental Insurance: Delta Dental of Massachusetts, Contract A613

Upon a motion duly made and seconded, it was

Voted to approve the recommendation of the Consultant Selection Committee to select Delta Dental of Massachusetts to provide dental insurance to eligible employees and to authorize the Executive Director, on behalf of the Authority, to execute Contract A613 with Dental Service of Massachusetts, Inc. d/b/a Delta Dental of Massachusetts for an amount not to exceed \$352,000 for a term of twelve months, with three options to renew for a period of twelve months each, subject to further Board approval.

CONTRACT AMENDMENTS/CHANGE ORDERS

Security Guard Services for Various MWRA Facilities: Universal Protection Service, LLC, d/b/a Allied Universal Security Services, Contract EXE-033, Amendment 2

Upon a motion duly made and seconded, it was

Voted to authorize the Executive Director, on behalf of the Authority, to approve Amendment 2 to increase the amount of Contract EXE-033 with Universal Protection Service, LLC d/b/a Allied Universal Security Services, Security Guard Services For Various MWRA Facilities, in the amount of \$1,943,420.00 and to extend the term by 365 calendar days to February 5, 2019.

Northern Intermediate High Section 110 – Reading and Woburn: Albanese D&S, Inc., Contract 7471, Change Order 14

Upon a motion duly made and seconded, it was

Voted to authorize the Executive Director, on behalf of the Authority, to approve Change Order 14 to increase the amount of Contract 7471 with Albanese D&S, Inc., Northern Intermediate High Section 110 - Reading and

Woburn, in an amount not to exceed \$300,000.00, with no increase in contract term; and to authorize the Executive Director to approve additional change orders as may be needed to Contract 7471 in amounts not to exceed the aggregate of \$250,000, in accordance with the Management Policies and Procedures of the Board of Directors.

Northern Intermediate High Section 110 – Stoneham and Wakefield: Albanese D&S, Inc. Contract 7478, Change Order 5

Upon a motion duly made and seconded, it was

Voted to authorize the Executive Director, on behalf of the Authority, to approve Change Order 5 to increase the amount of Contract 7478 with Albanese D&S, Inc., Northern Intermediate High Section 110- Stoneham and Wakefield, in a lump sum amount of \$424,646.00 and extending Milestone 1 by 139 calendar days, with no increase in the overall contract term; and to authorize the Executive Director to approve additional change orders as may be needed to Contract 7478 in amounts not to exceed the aggregate of \$250,000, in accordance with the Management Policies and Procedures of the Board of Directors.

REPORT OF THE CHAIR

Chairman Beaton presented Board member John Carroll with an official citation from Governor Baker thanking him for his many years of exemplary public service, particularly his 39-year tenure as Town Manager of Norwood.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

It was moved to enter executive session to discuss litigation and real estate.

Upon a motion duly made and seconded, it was, upon a roll call vote in which the members were recorded as follows:

Yes

No

Abstain

Blackmon  
Carroll  
Cotter  
Flanagan  
Foti  
Pappastergion  
Peña  
Vitale  
Walsh  
Wolowicz  
Beaton

Voted to enter executive session to discuss strategy with respect to litigation and to consider the purchase, exchange, lease or value of real property, in that such discussions 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 1:40 p.m. and adjourned.

Approved: January 17, 2018

Attest:

  
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Rose Marie Convery, Assistant Secretary