

MASSACHUSETTS WATER RESOURCES AUTHORITY

Meeting of the Board of Directors

July 13, 2016

A meeting of the Board of Directors of the Massachusetts Water Resources Authority was held on July 13, 2016 at the Authority headquarters in Charlestown. Vice-Chair Carroll presided. Present from the Board were Messrs. Blackmon, Cotter, Flanagan, Foti, Pappastergion, Peña, Vitale and Walsh. Ms. Wolowicz and Mr. Beaton 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, Ria Convery, Special Assistant to Executive Director, Marianne Connolly, Senior Program Manager, John Vetere, Deputy Chief Operating Officer, Karen Gay-Valente, Director of Human Resources, Carolyn Francisco Murphy, Director of Procurement, Andrea Adams, Senior Staff Engineer, John Gregoire, Program Manager, Reservoir Operations, Frederick Brandon, Assistant Director, Engineering, Mark Johnson, Director, Metropolitan Operations, Anandan Navanandan, Chief Engineer, Ester Lwebuga, Program Manager, and Bonnie Hale, Assistant Secretary. The meeting was called to order at 1:00 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 29, 2016, as presented and filed with the records of the meeting.

REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Mr. Laskey, along with staff, reported on various matters, particularly a recently renewed volunteer-driven and independently-funded effort to erect an Irish memorial on Deer Island. Mr. Carroll expressed reservations about the project proceeding without the Board first meeting with the group implementing the memorial. There was general discussion and question and answer. No action was taken, with the general sense of the Board being to let the project continue as originally approved, and with Mr. Carroll stating his opposition for the record. Also discussed were drought conditions and water levels at the Quabbin Reservoir, the cancellation of the August 10th Board meeting, the August 18th Advisory Board wastewater facility tour and dedication of a bench at Nut Island in memory of MaryAnn McClellan, and upcoming polling of Board members to get a date set for the planned off-site Metropolitan Tunnel Redundancy meeting.

ADMINISTRATION, FINANCE & AUDIT COMMITTEE

INFORMATION

Delegated Authority Report – June 2016

There was a brief discussion and question and answer.

WASTEWATER POLICY & OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE

CONTRACT AWARD

Prison Point CSO Facility Improvements – Design, Construction Administration and Resident Engineering Services: Arcadis U.S., Inc., Contract 7359

Staff gave a presentation on the project. (Mr. Blackmon left the meeting.)

Upon a motion duly made and seconded, it was

Voted to approve the recommendation of the Consultant Selection Committee to select Arcadis U.S., Inc. to provide Design, Construction Administration and Resident Engineering Services, for the Prison Point CSO Facility Improvements project, and to authorize the Executive Director, on behalf

of the Authority, to execute said contract in an amount not to exceed \$2,838,370 for a term of 60-months from the Notice to Proceed.

(Mr. Blackmon returned to the meeting.)

WATER POLICY & OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE

INFORMATION

Overview of DCR/MWRA Source Water Protection Program

MWRA and DCR staff gave a joint presentation on the Program.

Weston Aqueduct Supply Main 3 Project Update

Staff noted that this project was part of the larger, long-term Metropolitan Tunnel Redundancy program, and gave a presentation.

CONTRACT AWARD

Rehabilitation of Sections 23, 24 and 47 Water Mains - Design, Engineering Services During Construction and Resident Engineering/Inspection Services: Green International Affiliates, Inc., Contract 6385

Staff gave a presentation on this project, and there was general discussion and question and answer, particularly on the possible causes for seeing decreasing numbers of engineering firms bidding on MWRA projects. Staff indicated that they would look into this issue and report back to the Board.

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 Design, Engineering Services during Construction and Resident Engineering/ Inspection Services for the Rehabilitation of Sections 23, 24 and 47, and to authorize the Executive Director, on behalf of the Authority, to execute said contract in an amount not to exceed \$3,506,868, for a term of 72-months from the Notice To Proceed.

PERSONNEL & COMPENSATION COMMITTEE

APPROVALS

PCR Amendments – July 2016

Upon a motion duly made and seconded, it was

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

Appointment of Purchasing Manager, Administration Division

Upon a motion duly made and seconded, it was

Voted to approve the Executive Director's recommendation to appoint Mr. Theodore N. Otis to the position of Purchasing Manager, Administration Division (Non-Union, Grade 14) at an annual salary of \$102,500, to be effective on the date designated by the Executive Director.

Appointment of Deputy Contracts Manager, Administration Division

Upon a motion duly made and seconded, it was

Voted to approve the Executive Director's recommendation to appoint Mr. Douglas Rice to the position of Deputy Contracts Manager, Administration Division (Unit 6, Grade 13) at an annual salary of \$116,606.39, to be effective on the date designated by the Executive Director.

Appointment of Senior Manager, Coordination and Control, Operations Division

Upon a motion duly made and seconded, it was

Voted to approve the Executive Director's recommendation to appoint Ms. Laurie Allen to the position of Senior Manager, Coordination and Control, Operations Division, (Unit 6, Grade 13), at an annual salary of \$95,658, to be effective on the date designated by the Executive Director.

The meeting adjourned at 2:45 p.m.

Approved: September 14, 2016

Attest:



Joseph Foti, Secretary