

MASSACHUSETTS WATER RESOURCES AUTHORITY

Meeting of the Board of Directors

February 19, 2020

A meeting of the Board of Directors of the Massachusetts Water Resources Authority was held on February 19, 2020 at the Authority headquarters in Charlestown. Chair Theoharides presided. Present from the Board were Messrs. Carroll, Cotter, Foti, Pappastergion, Peña, Vitale and Walsh. Ms. Wolowicz and Messrs. Cook and Flanagan were absent. Among those present from the Authority staff were Frederick Laskey, Executive Director, Carolyn Francisco Murphy, General Counsel, David Coppes, Chief Operating Officer, Carolyn Fiore, Deputy Chief Operating Officer, Thomas Durkin, Director of Finance, Michele Gillen, Director of Administration, Emily Dallman, Benefits Manager, Human Resources, MWRA labor representatives Barbie Aylward, Ed Considine, Paul Hynes, Steve Coffey, Pat Russell and Cara Seaman, Betsy Reilly, Director of Environmental Quality, Mandu Inyang, Program Manager, Chemistry, and Assistant Secretaries Ria Convery and Kristin MacDougall. The meeting was called to order at 1:24 p.m.

REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

On behalf of the MWRA Employee Recognition Committee, Mr. Laskey presented Employee Recognition Awards to Lisa Bina, Valerie Moran, Paul Burrige, Walter McLaughlin and Todd DeCost. Mr. Laskey then updated Board members on the Southern Extra High Project and the Tunnel Redundancy Program. He noted that MWRA is prepared to comply with the new Massachusetts Hands Free Driving Law. Next, he advised Board members on planned contract negotiations with NEFCo. Finally, he noted that MWRA was included in a Merritt Research Services "Honor Roll" for municipal bond issuers.

APPROVAL OF JANUARY 15, 2020 MINUTES

Documents used for this meeting, referenced above, can be found here:
<http://www.mwra.com/monthly/bod/boardmaterials/2020/o-2020-02-19.pdf>

Upon a motion duly made and seconded, it was

Voted: to approve the minutes of the Board of Directors' meeting of January 15, 2020 as presented and filed with the records of the meeting.

Annual Meeting: Election and Appointment of MWRA Officers and Committee

Assignments

Upon a motion duly made and seconded, it was

Voted: (1) to designate this February 19, 2020 meeting as the Annual Meeting which, as provided in the Authority's by-laws, will be deemed a special meeting of the Board for the purpose of election of officers; (2) to elect John Carroll as Vice Chairman of the Board; (3) to appoint Andrew Pappastergion as Secretary of the Board and Rose Marie Convery and Kristin MacDougall as Assistant Secretaries; Matthew Horan as Treasurer and Robert Belkin and Michael Cole as Assistant Treasurers; and (4) to ratify the appointments of Board members to standing Committees, as presented and filed with the records of the meeting.

APPROVALS

Approval of the 2020 Affirmative Action Plan

Upon a motion duly made and seconded, it was

Voted: to approve the Massachusetts Water Resources Authority's Affirmative Action Plan effective for a one-year period from January 1, 2020 through December 31, 2020. (ref. P&C A.1)

PCR Amendments – February 2020

Upon a motion duly made and seconded, it was

Voted: to approve amendments to the Position Control Register (PCR) as presented, effective on a date determined by the Executive Director. (ref. P&C A.2)

Appointment of Work Coordination Center Manager, Operations

Upon a motion duly made and seconded, it was

Voted: to approve the appointment of Mr. Martin Anaya to the position of Work Coordination Center Manager, (Unit 6, Grade 12), at an annual salary of \$101,651.85, commencing on a date to be determined by the Executive Director. (ref. P&C A.3)

Transmittal of the FY2021 Proposed Current Expense Budget to the MWRA Advisory Board

Upon a motion duly made and seconded, it was

Voted: to approve transmittal of the FY21 Proposed Current Expense Budget to the MWRA Advisory Board for its 60-day review and comment period. (ref. AF&A B.1)

Appointment of Proxy for Fore River Railroad Corporation

Upon a motion duly made and seconded, it was

Voted: that the MWRA Board of Directors, as holder of all voting rights of all the issued and outstanding shares of stock of the Fore River Railroad Corporation, vote to appoint Bethany A. Card, with the power of substitution, to vote as proxy at the next annual meeting and any special meeting of the stockholders for the Fore River Railroad Corporation in accordance with the form of proxy attached hereto and filed with the records of this meeting. In addition, the MWRA Board of Directors directs the proxy to elect board members as presented and filed with the records of the meeting. (ref. AF&A B.2)

CONTRACT AWARDS

Actuarial Services Related to Compliance with GASB No. 74 and 75: The Segal Company, Inc., Contract F254

Upon a motion duly made and seconded, it was

Voted: to approve the recommendation of the Consultant Selection Committee to award Contract F254 for Actuarial Services Related to Compliance with GASB No. 74 and 75 to The Segal Company (Eastern States), Inc., d/b/a Segal and to authorize the Executive Director, on behalf of the Authority, to execute a contract in an amount not to exceed \$69,000 for a term of four years from the Notice to Proceed. (ref. AF&A C.1)

Fuel Storage and Day Tank Systems Replacement at the Gillis and Lexington Street Pumping Stations and Hayes Pump Station: NRC East Environmental Services, Inc., Contract 7554

Upon a motion duly made and seconded, it was

Voted: to approve the award of Contract 7554, Fuel Storage and Day Tank System Replacement at the Gillis and Lexington Street Pumping Stations and Hayes Pump Station, to the lowest responsible and eligible bidder, NRC East Environmental Services, Inc., and to authorize the Executive Director, on behalf of the Authority, to execute said contract in the bid amount of \$1,432,799 for a contract term of 561 calendar days from the Notice to Proceed. (ref. AF&A C.2)

Security Equipment Maintenance and Repair Services: Viscom Systems, Inc., Contract EXE-043

Upon a motion duly made and seconded, it was

Voted: to approve the award of Contract EXE-043, Security Equipment Maintenance and Repair Services, to the lowest responsible and eligible bidder, Viscom Systems, Inc., and to authorize the Executive Director, on behalf of the Authority, to execute said contract in the amount of \$2,198,681, for a contract term of 1,095 calendar days from the Notice to Proceed. (ref. AF&A C.3)

Oxygen Generation Facility Services, Deer Island Treatment Plant: Solutionwerks, Inc., Contract S587

Upon a motion duly made and seconded, it was

Voted: to approve the award of Contract S587, Oxygen Generation Facility Services, Deer Island Treatment Plant, to the lowest responsive and eligible bidder, Solutionwerks, Inc., and to authorize the Executive Director, on behalf of the Authority, to execute said contract in the amount of \$2,220,450, for a contract term of 1,095 calendar days from the Notice to Proceed. (ref. WW B.1)

Siphon and Junction Structure Rehabilitation, Design and Engineering Services During Construction: Kleinfelder Northeast, Inc., Contract 6224

Upon a motion duly made and seconded, it was

Voted: to approve the recommendation of the Consultant Selection Committee to award Contract 6224, Siphon and Junction Structure Rehabilitation, Design and Engineering Services During Construction, to Kleinfelder Northeast, Inc., and to authorize the Executive Director, on behalf of the Authority, to execute said contract in an amount Not to Exceed \$2,854,552.34, for a contract term of 54 months from the Notice to Proceed. (ref. WW B.2)

OTHER BUSINESS

Chloride Trends in MWRA Reservoirs: Best Management Practices to Reduce Water Quality Impacts

Staff made a presentation. There was discussion and questions and answers.

The meeting adjourned at 2:00 p.m.

Approved: March 18, 2020

Attest:


Andrew M. Pappastergion, Secretary