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"PENDING APPROVAL AT THE NEXT BOARD OF DIRECTOR'S MEETING"

## REGULAR MEETING OF THE GREATER NEW HAVEN WATER POLLUTION CONTROL AUTHORITY BOARD OF DIRECTORS WEDNESDAY, MARCH 10, 2021 6:00 P.M. 260 EAST STREET NEW HAVEN, CONNECTICUT

\*\*\*In accordance with Section 2.10 of the Authority's Bylaws and Governor Lamont's Executive Orders concerning "Stay Safe, Stay Home" and the conduct of public meetings remotely, the meeting will be conducted via teleconference of the Board of Directors.

NO IN-PERSON PUBLIC ATTENDANCE WILL BE PERMITTED.

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The regular meeting of the Greater New Haven Water Pollution Control Authority was held March 10, 2021, the meeting was conducted via teleconference of the Board of Directors in order to transact the following:

Chairman Mongillo called the meeting to order at 6:00 P.M.

Roll call:

Director's present: Director Joyce Alton, New Haven

Director Salvatore DeCola, New Haven Director Michael Fimiani, New Haven

Vice Chairman Clayton Williams, New Haven

Director Robert Falcigno, East Haven Director Raymond Pompano, East Haven Chairman Stephen Mongillo, Hamden

Director Russell Cyr, Hamden

Director Jeffrey D. Ginzberg, Woodbridge

Also present: Sidney J. Holbrook, Executive Director

Gabriel Varca, Treasurer

Gary Zrelak, Director of Operations

Thomas Sgroi, Director of Engineering
Mario Ricozzi, Manager of Design CSO, LTCP
Louis Criscuolo, Deputy Director of Finance
Ernie Williams, IT Project Manager
Glenn Santoro, Esq., Robinson & Cole, LLP
Scott Basset, RSM US LLP
Deborah L Torre, Secretary

Approval of minutes of February 10, 2021 – Regular Meeting.
 Director Ginzberg made the following motion:

**RESOLVED:** That the minutes of the February 10, 2021 Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors of the Authority are hereby adopted and approved in the form attached hereto as the <u>Exhibit</u> to Agenda Item # 1, any such changes, revisions or additions thereto having been noted to and by the Secretary of the Authority.

Director Alton seconded the motion.

Voice Vote: Unanimous

AYES NAYES ABSTENTIONS

Alton

Cyr

DeCola

Falcigno

Fimiani

Ginzberg

Mongillo

Pompano

Williams

2. Public participation relating to agenda items.

## No public present.

## Presentation on the audit from RSM US LLP.

Scott Basset, Audit Manager, gave a summary on the audit with all the information received in a timely manner under the circumstances it had to be done remotely this year due to COVID. The audit was referred as a "clean unqualified opinion." The conditions of the records received were clean and accurate. The Authority made all debt payments. The Authority had an increase in their Bond rating. No auditing adjustments had to be made. There were no

issues to report. Everything on time and in great shape even during this pandemic time. It was a very clean and good audit with everything in line and maintained. He complimented the GNHWPCA Finance Department for the fine work they have done.

3. Consideration and approval of a resolution authorizing the Executive Director, Sidney J. Holbrook, to negotiate, execute and deliver an agreement with Weston & Sampson Engineers, Inc. for design services related to the rehabilitation of the Woodbridge Pump Station, for an aggregate amount not to exceed \$68,310.00.
Director Falcigno made the following motion:

**RESOLVED:** That the agreement with Weston & Sampson Engineers, Inc. for design services related to the rehabilitation of the Woodbridge Pump Station, as further described in the <u>Exhibit</u> to Agenda Item # 3, in an aggregate amount not to exceed \$68,310.00, is hereby approved, and the Executive Director, Sidney J. Holbrook, be and hereby is authorized, empowered and directed, for and on behalf of the Authority, to negotiate, execute and deliver such agreement and any and all reasonable and necessary documents in furtherance thereof.

Director Cyr seconded the motion.

This is the next pump station upgrade from the asset management list. It is for the Woodbridge pump station rehabilitation design service. Weston and Sampson will provide the complete design package.

Voice Vote: Unanimous

AYES NAYES ABSTENTIONS

Alton

Cyr

DeCola

Falcigno

Fimiani

Ginzberg

Monaillo

Pompano

Williams

4. Consideration and approval of a resolution authorizing the Executive Director, Sidney J. Holbrook, to negotiate, execute and deliver a Settlement Agreement and General Release with ARAMARK Uniform & Career Apparel, LLC, for an aggregate amount not to exceed \$14,000.00.

Director Fimiani made the following motion:

**RESOLVED**: That the Settlement Agreement and General Release with ARAMARK Uniform & Career Apparel, LLC, in an aggregate amount not to exceed \$14,000.00, is hereby approved, and the Executive Director, Sidney J. Holbrook, be and hereby is authorized, empowered and directed, for and on behalf of the Authority, to negotiate, execute and deliver such agreement and any and all reasonable and necessary documents in furtherance thereof.

Director Falcigno seconded the motion.

There was a dispute with ARAMARK, the company that supplied the uniforms and cleaning service at the East Shore Plant. The GNHWPCA terminated their service and worked out a Settlement Agreement with the company.

Voice Vote: Unanimous

AYES <u>NAYES</u> <u>ABSTENSIONS</u>

Alton

Cvr

DeCola

Falcigno

Fimiani

Ginzberg

Mongillo

Pompano

Williams

- 5. Executive summary and department updates and presentations.
  - Monthly Financial Report
  - Monthly Operations Report
  - Monthly Engineering Report
  - No GNHWPCA COVID cases
  - Gary Zrelak, Director of Operations Chosen for a Top Operated Manager Award from NEWEA – the Alfred E. Peloquin Award

 State of CT. Public Hearing – March 5, 2021, Bill proposed regarding GNHWPCA Foreclosures

 Legislation – Right to Know Bill (supported by GNHWPCA, DEEP and Save the Sound)

Director Alton asks the Executive Director if he has any information regarding Save the Sound. He said no but would be meeting with our lawyers next week.

Attorney Santoro said there was nothing to report at this time. When there is information received the Board will go into Executive Session to discuss.

6. Consideration and approval, as necessary, of any other new business of the Authority.

No new business.

7. Call to the public.

No public present.

8. Adjournment.

There being no further business, a motion was made by Director Fimiani seconded by Director Cyr and the motion passed unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 6:37 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Deborah L. Torre Secretary