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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, MAY 10, 2023, 6:00 P.M. 260 EAST STREET NEW HAVEN, CONNECTICUT

Public Hearing at 5:45 P.M. regarding the Authority's Annual Budget and Recommend User Rates and Charges

Chairman Williams called the Public Hearing to order at 5:45 P.M.

No public present.

Chairman Williams closed the Public Hearing on the Annual Budget and Recommended User Rates and Charges at 6:00 P.M.

The regular meeting of the Greater New Haven Water Pollution Control Authority was held May 10, 2023, at the GNHWPCA offices, 260 East Street, New Haven, CT in order to transact the following:

Chairman Williams 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 Elaine Braffman, New Haven Chairman Clayton Williams, New Haven

Director Raymond Pompano, East Haven, via teleconference

Director Kenneth Dagliere, Easy Haven Vice Chairman Stephen Mongillo Hamden

Director Russell Cyr, Hamden

Director Jeffrey 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 Financial Director Glenn Santoro, Esq., Robinson & Cole, LLP

Ernie Williams, IT Project Manager Deborah L. Torre, Secretary

1. Approval of minutes of April 12, 2023 – Regular Meeting.

Director DeCola made the following motion:

RESOLVED: That the minutes of the April 12, 2023, Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors of the Authority are hereby adopted and approved in the f for attached hereto as the <u>Exhibit</u> to Agenda Item #1, and any such changes, revisions or additions thereto having been noted to by the Secretary of the Authority.

Director Braffman seconded the motion.

Voice Vote: Unanimous

AYES NAYES ABSTENTIONS

Alton

Braffman

Cyr

Dagliere

DeCola

Ginzberg

Mongillo

Pompano

Williams

2. Public participation relating to agenda items.

No public present.

Consideration and approval of a resolution adopting the Authority's Cost of Service Study, the Fiscal Year 2024 Annual Budget, the Proposed Sewer User Charges, the Annual Capital Budget and the annual update to the Five Year Capital Improvement Plan.

Director DeCola made the following motion:

RESOLVED: That, pursuant to Section 7.4 of the Bylaws, by a two-thirds vote of the entire Board, the Authority's Cost of Service Study, the Annual Budget consisting of the next fiscal year's projected expenditures and recommended user rates and charges and the Annual Capital Budget for the upcoming fiscal year; an annual update to the Five Year Capital Improvement Plan; and the

impact of the Annual Budget on the next fiscal year's projected expenditures and revenues and user rates and charges, all as attached hereto as the Exhibit to Agenda Item #3, are hereby adopted.

Director Cyr seconded the motion.

Deputy Finance Director, Louis Criscuolo gave an overview of the proposed budget. Expenditures for FY 2023-2024 total \$45,914,413.00, the new ccf rate will be \$5.10 per ccf, Administrative Fee will remain the same at \$18.00 a quarter and the Elderly credit will increase to \$18.00 a quarter from the previous \$17.00 a quarter.

Chairman Williams thanks the Deputy Finance Director and Finance Director with keeping the GNHWPCA rates low and the hard work involved.

The Executive Director thanks the Finance Department for the work they do and for being on top of everything.

Vice Chairman Mongillo compliments the Deputy Finance Director on the great job he did with explaining the budget.

Voice Vote: Unanimous

AYES NAYES ABSTENTIONS

Alton

Braffman

Cyr

Dagliere

DeCola

Ginzberg

Mongillo

Pompano

Williams

4. Consideration and approval of a resolution authorizing the Executive Director, Sidney J. Holbrook, to negotiate and execute an agreement with RSM US LLP for auditing services for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2023, for an amount not to exceed \$95,000.00.

Director DeCola made the following motion:

RESOLVED: That the agreement with RSM US LLP for auditing services for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2023, for an amount not to exceed \$95,000.00, as further described in the Exhibit to Agenda Item #4, is hereby approved, and the Executive Director, Sidney J. Holbrook, be and hereby is

authorized and empowered, 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 Braffman seconded the motion.

Each May, approval is needed for the appointment of the auditors that will be involved in the audit of the Authority's financials, this is for FY 2023-2024. The GNHWPCA is obligated to do this, and it is required that the State of CT is notified that RSM US LLP will be the auditor for this fiscal year. The increase in cost is due to more work involved.

Voice Vote: Unanimous

AYES NAYES ABSTENTIONS

Alton

Braffman

Cyr

Dagliere

DeCola

Ginzberg

Mongillo

Pompano

Williams

New business item was moved to be addressed before the Executive Summary.

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

6A. New Business

Consideration and approval of a resolution authorizing the Executive Director, Sidney J. Holbrook to approve the payment of an invoice from A-Plus Landscaping LLC, relating to snow plowing services, in an amount not to exceeds \$12.000.00.

Director Decola made the following motion:

RESOLVED: That, the Executive Director, Sidney J. Holbrook, is hereby authorized, empowered and directed, for and on behalf of the Authority, to approve and pay the A-plus Landscaping LLC invoice, relating to snow plowing services, in an amount not to exceed \$12,000.00 as set forth in the form attached hereto as the <u>Exhibit</u> to Agenda Item #6A and to negotiate, execute and deliver any and all reasonable and necessary documents in furtherance thereof.

Director Alton seconded the motion.

Voice Vote: Unanimous

AYES NAYES ABSTENTIONS

Alton

Braffman

Cyr

Dagliere

DeCola

Ginzberg

Mongillo

Pompano

Williams

- 5. Executive summary and department updates and presentations.
 - Monthly Financial Report
 - Monthly Operations Report
 - Monthly Engineering Report
 - Lobbyist
 - Legislature
 - Clean Water Fund funding from the State
- 7. Call to the public.

No public present.

8. Adjournment.

There being no further business a motion was made by Director Dagliere seconded by Director Pompano and the motion was passed unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 6:42 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Deborah L. Torre Secretary