



Greater New Haven Water Pollution Control Authority

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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, FEBRUARY 14, 2024 6:00 P.M.
260 EAST STREET
NEW HAVEN, CONNECTICUT

The regular meeting of the Greater New Haven Water Pollution Control Authority was held February 14, 2024, at the GNHWPCA offices, 260 East Street, New Haven, CT in order to transact the following:

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

Roll Call

Director’s present: Director Joyce Alton, New Haven
Director Elaine Braffman, New Haven
Director Salvatore DeCola, New Haven
Vice Chairman Clayton Williams, New Haven
Director Kenneth Dagliere, East Haven, via teleconference
Director Raymond Pompano, East Haven, via teleconference
Chairman Stephen Mongillo, Hamden, via teleconference
Director Russell Cyr, Hamden
Director Jeffrey Ginzberg, Woodbridge, via teleconference

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

Also absent: Sidney J. Holbrook, Executive Director

1. Approval of minutes of January 10, 2024 – Regular Meeting.

Chairman Mongillo made the following motion:

RESOLVED: That the minutes of the January 10, 2024 Regular Meeting of

the Board of Directors of the Authority are hereby adopted and approved in the form attached hereto as the Exhibit to Agenda Item #1, and any such changes, revisions or additions thereto having been noted to by the Secretary of the Authority.

Director DeCola 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.

3. Presentation, by RSM US LLP, on the audit of the financial statements of the Authority for the year ended June 30, 2023.

Scott Basset, Audit Manager from RSM US LLP gave a summary on the audit report of the Authority for the year ended June 30, 2023. It was pretty straight forward and comparable to last year. The audit was received as a clean and unmodified opinion". All records were up to date, clean and correct. RSM looks at internal controls used by the Authority. Everything is in line and maintained, no surprises. Report filed mid- December with the State.

4. Consideration and approval of a resolution with respect to the authorization, issuance and sale of not exceeding \$30,000,000 Greater New Haven Water Pollution Control Authority Regional Wastewater System Revenue Refunding Bonds.

Director DeCola made the following motion:

RESOLVED: That the resolution with respect to the authorization, issuance and sale of not exceeding \$30,000,000 Greater New Haven Water Pollution Control Authority Regional Wastewater System Revenue Refunding

Bonds, attached hereto as Exhibit to Agenda Item #4, is hereby adopted, and the Executive Director is hereby authorized and empowered for and on behalf of the Authority to negotiate, execute and deliver any and all reasonable and necessary documents in furtherance thereof.

Director Braffman seconded the motion.

The authorization, issuance and sale of the GNHWPCA Regional Wastewater System Revenue Refunding Bonds. The Refunding Bonds shall be issued and sold either in a negotiated underwriting or a competitive offering at such time to be most opportune for the Authority.

Voice Vote: Unanimous

AYES

Alton
Braffman
Cyr
Dagliere
DeCola
Ginzberg
Mongillo
Pompano
Williams

NAYES

ABSTENTIONS

5. Consideration and approval of a resolution authorizing the Executive Director, Sidney J. Holbrook, to negotiate, execute and deliver a task order with Hazen and Sawyer, P.C. for professional services relating to an odor assessment and control services study at the East Shore Water Pollution Abatement Facility, for an aggregate amount not to exceed \$104,168.

Director DeCola made the following motion:

RESOLVED: That the task order with Hazen and Sawyer, P.C. for professional services relating to an odor assessment and control services study at the East Shore Water Pollution Abatement Facility, for an aggregate amount not to exceed \$104,168, as further described in the Exhibit to Agenda Item #5, 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 task order and any and all reasonable and necessary documents in furtherance thereof.

Director Alton seconded the motion.

This is Phase II of the Odor Control Study. relating to an odor assessment and control services study at the East Shore Water Pollution Abatement Facility.

Voice Vote: Unanimous

AYES

NAYES

ABSTENTIONS

Alton
Braffman
Cyr
Dagliere
DeCola
Ginzberg
Mongillo
Pompano
Williams

6. Consideration and approval of a resolution authorizing the Executive Director, Sidney J. Holbrook to negotiate, execute and deliver a grant agreement with the State of Connecticut Department of Energy and Environmental Protection with respect to the Westville Area Flood Resilience Project Development, for an amount not to exceed \$506,000.

Director DeCola made the following motion:

RESOLVED: That the grant agreement with the State of Connecticut Department of Energy and Environment Protection with respect to the Westville Area Flood Resilience Project Development, for an amount not to exceed \$506,000, as further described in the Exhibit to Agenda Item #6, 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 grant agreement and any and all reasonable and necessary documents in furtherance thereof.

Director Alton seconded the motion.

A Grant Agreement with the State of CT DEEP. Fuss and O'Neill doing the design services for the Westville Area Flood Resilience Project Development,

addressing stormwater management issues related to the sanitary sewers and storm sewers in the Westville area.

Voice Vote: Unanimous

AYES

NAYES

ABSTENTIONS

Alton
Braffman
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Pompano
Williams

7. Consideration and approval of a resolution authorizing the Executive Director, Sidney J. Holbrook, to negotiate, execute and deliver a task order with Fuss and O'Neill, Inc. for design services relating to the Westville Area Flood Resilience Project Development, for an aggregate amount not to exceed \$506,000, subject to grant funding approval by the State of Connecticut Department of Energy and Environmental Protection.

Director Decola made the following motion:

RESOLVED: That the task order with Fuss and O'Neill, Inc. for design services relating to the Westville Area Flood Resilience Project Development, for an aggregate amount not to exceed \$506,000, subject to grant funding approval by the State of Connecticut Department of Energy and Environmental Protection, as further described in the Exhibit to Agenda Item #7, 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 task order and any and all reasonable and necessary documents in furtherance thereof.

Director Alton seconded the motion.

Allocation of Climate Resiliency Funds and DEEP Climate Resilience Grant with the focus on seeking solutions to mitigate or minimize the reoccurring flooding in the Westville neighborhood of New Haven.

Voice Vote: Unanimous

AYES

NAYES

ABSTENTIONS

Alton
Braffman
Cyr
Dagliere
DeCola
Ginzberg
Mongillo
Pompano
Williams

8. Consideration and approval of certain Departmental Budget Transfer Requests.
Director DeCola made the following motion:

RESOLVED: That the Departmental Budget Transfer Requests, as described in the Exhibit to Agenda Item #8, are hereby approved.

Director Pompano seconded the motion.

- 1). Budget transfer in the amount of \$500,000, funds needed to replenish project budget, for interceptors, part of Capital Improvement Project
- 2). Budget transfer for \$2,700,045, funds needed for SSR 2024-01-2024. Collections System Assessment and CIPP Lining Rehab Project.

Voice Vote: Unanimous

AYES

NAYES

ABSTENTIONS

Alton
Braffman
Cyr
Dagliere
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Ginzberg
Mongillo
Pompano
Williams

9. Executive summary and department updates and presentations.
- Monthly Financial Report
 - Monthly Operations Report
 - Monthly Engineering Report
10. Consideration and approval, as necessary, of any other new business of the Authority.

No new business.

11. Call to the public.

No public present.

12. Adjournment.

There being no further business a motion was made by Director Decola seconded by Director Braffman and the motion passed unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 6:34 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,

Deborah L. Torre
Secretary