

MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF THE
ALLEGHENY COUNTY SANITARY AUTHORITY
THURSDAY, DECEMBER 12, 2019

The meeting was called to order at 4:30 p.m. in the office of the Authority, 3300 Preble Avenue, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. Those present were Board Members Ms. Sylvia Wilson, Ms. Brenda Smith, Dr. Shannah Tharp-Gilliam, Messrs. Corey O'Connor, Harry Readshaw and John Weinstein; Mr. Jack Shea did not attend the meeting. Also in attendance were Messrs. Chip Babst (Babst Calland), Mike Ryder (Hatch), Ed Kluitenberg (CDM Smith), Ms. Williams, Ms. Oliver, Ms. Clark, Ms. Kennedy, Ms. Buys, Messrs. Inks, Jackson, and Vallarian, Ms. Fantoni, Ms. Young, Ms. DeMasi, Ms. Croom, Mr. Prevost, Ms. Sanchioli, Ms. Cortazzo, Ms. Thomas, Ms. McKay and Mr. Laird (Authority staff).

Everyone stood for the Pledge of Allegiance.

Several visitors requested to speak during the public comment period.

- Mr. Tom Hoffman had comments submitted to the EPA and Department of Justice regarding the Consent Decree. The Sierra Club feels that a commitment of 100 million dollars for the GROW Program is not in the spirit of the green first approach, the Green Infrastructure Improvement Act or the changes made to the Clean Water Act. The Club feels that communities that are the most vulnerable will continue to struggle.
- Mr. Gavin White, from the Pittsburgh Parks Conservancy, thanked ALCOSAN for the being a partner to the Conservancy. The Conservancy recognizes that the solution to the problem is a mix of gray and green. The Conservancy has been pushing for more green solutions, although they recognize that gray may be economically more efficient, they are hoping that ALCOSAN recognizes the benefits in a more green approach.
- Ms. Aly Shaw submitted comments from residents from around the region. She referenced an article from Public Source regarding rainfall in the region. Ms. Shaw read a comment from Neil Donahue, a climate scientist from CMU, regrading weather being cyclical and climate change. Mr. Donahue's statement is attached.
- Ms. Joyce Rothermel from the Catholic Communities of the East End commented on the Modified Consent Decree. The organization would like ALCOSAN to commit more than the 100 million dollars in green infrastructure. They would like to see more community related benefits with the rate increases.

Ms. Wilson thanked the speakers for their comments.

Ms. Karen Fantoni (Manager of Accounting) provided the Board with a summary on the 2020 Operating and Capital Budgets. Copies of the 2020 Operating and Capital Budgets and a detailed explanation were presented to the Board during last month's Board meeting. This year's budget has

been incorporated into the 2019 Consulting Engineers Report. Hatch has given the Authority a positive review for the 2019 and agrees that the 2020 Budgets are satisfactory. Ms. Fantoni thanked everyone involved for their participation in this process.

Ms. Suzanne Thomas (Manager of Procurement) informed the Board that ALCOSAN will host a Small Business Outreach event for construction and construction-related services on December 17, 2019 from 5:00 – 7:30 p.m. in the Great Hall of the O&M Building. There will be a presentation on specific construction opportunities. In addition, ALCOSAN will be providing matchmaking opportunities for small businesses to meet prime contractors for potential opportunities. There will also be additional presentations and resources to assist these firms in doing business with ALCOSAN, either as a prime or a subcontractor.

Ms. Kim Kennedy (Director of Engineering and Construction) provided an overview of the North End Plant Expansion. Ms. Kennedy stated that this is the biggest project in plant history. She gave an overview of the changes that will be made to the plant. There will 4 parts to the contract: General/Process Mechanical, Electrical, HVAC and Plumbing. Some of the numbers in the expansion are: 64,000 cubic yards of excavation, 30,000 cubic yards of concrete and 1 1/8 miles of steel beams in river wall king piles. This should be bid in January, awarded in April and the construction will take around 5 ½ years with an estimated cost of more than \$100 million.

Upon motion of Mr. O'Connor, seconded by Mr. Weinstein, the Board approved the minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of November 21, 2019.

Upon motion of Mr. O'Connor, seconded by Mr. Weinstein, the Board authorized payment of invoices in excess of \$20,100.00 processed during the period of November 13, 2019 through December 3, 2019 and reviewed the summary report of expenses in excess of \$10,900.00 processed during the same period, a copy of which will be made part of these minutes.

Upon motion of Mr. Readshaw, seconded by Mr. O'Connor the Board authorize the preparation of specifications and advertisement for bids for the following contracts:

1. Contract 1723, "North End Plant Expansion"
2. Contract 1724, "2020 Flap Gate Replacement at Various Locations"
3. Contract 1725, "CIPP Rehabilitation of the Lower Saw Mill Run Interceptor"

The items denoted with an asterisk () were reviewed by the Professional Services Committee at a publicly advertised meeting on December 9, 2019. The Committee unanimously approved and recommended that these items be submitted to the Board.*

*Upon motion of Dr. Gilliam, seconded by Mr. Weinstein, the Board approved the following Service Authorizations for Professional Consultants. Assignment is based on consultants' past efforts, knowledge, and understanding of the task involved and the availability of the consultants' staff to perform the tasks in the time required:

1. For Hatch, under the agreement for Retained Consulting Engineer, for an amount not to exceed \$71,900.00 to perform the scope of services associated with the Biosolids Trends Analysis (Capital Project S-408).
2. For AE Works, under the agreement for Engineering Consultant Services, for an amount not to exceed \$2,144,000.00 to perform the scope of services under Capital Program S-464, "Laboratory/Industrial Waste Facility and Parking Garage Project".
3. For Prime AE, under the agreement for Engineering Consultant Services, for an amount not to exceed \$437,576.75 to perform the scope of services under Capital Program S-471, "Remote Pump Station Improvements".

Upon motion of Mr. Smith, seconded by Mr. O'Connor, the Board agreed to modify the Grant Agreements for the Green Revitalization of Our Waterways (GROW) Program by extending the Term of the Contract. This item was reviewed by the Green Committee at a publicly advertised meeting on November 18, 2019 and the Committee unanimously approved and recommended this information for submission to the Board.

Upon motion of Mr. Readshaw, seconded by Mr. O'Connor, the Board agreed to re-appoint Senator Jay Costa and appoint Lorraine Makatura to the 3 Rivers Wet Weather Board of Directors for a two-year term.

Upon motion of Mr. Weinstein, seconded by Mr. O'Connor, the Board approved the Board Meeting dates for the calendar year 2020 and authorized advertisement of those dates in accordance with the Sunshine Law:

Thursday, January 23, 2020	Fourth Thursday
Thursday, February 27, 2020	Fourth Thursday
Thursday, March 26, 2020	Fourth Thursday
Thursday, April 23, 2020	Fourth Thursday
Thursday, May 21, 2020	Third Thursday
Thursday, June 25, 2020	Fourth Thursday
Thursday, July 23, 2020	Fourth Thursday
No Meeting in August	
Thursday, September 24, 2020	Fourth Thursday
Thursday, October 22, 2020	Fourth Thursday
Thursday, November 19, 2020	Third Thursday
Thursday, December 10, 2020	Second Thursday

Upon motion of Mr. O'Connor, seconded by Dr. Gilliam, the Board adopted the 2019 Consulting Engineers Report and the 2020 Operating and Capital Budgets.

Dr. Gilliam took a moment to congratulate Ms. Wilson on her election as President of the Pittsburgh Public School Board.

An Executive Session was held this afternoon at approximately 4:00 p.m. to discuss pending legal issues (*Note: votes are never taken during the Executive Session*).

The next Board of Directors Meeting will be held on January 23, 2020.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at approximately 5:05 p.m.