

**MINUTES**  
**REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF THE**  
**ALLEGHENY COUNTY SANITARY AUTHORITY**  
**THURSDAY, DECEMBER 14, 2017**

The meeting was called to order at 4:31 p.m. in the office of the Authority, 3300 Preble Avenue, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. Those present were Board Members Ms. Sylvia Wilson, Ms. Brenda Smith, Messrs. Greg Jones, Harry Readshaw, Corey O'Connor; John Weinstein participated by telephone; and Jack Shea did not attend. Also in attendance were Messrs. Chip Babst (Babst Calland), Mike Ryder (Hatch Chester), Tim Dupuis and Matt Sickles (CDM Smith), and Robert Gallo (Authority Consultant); Ms. Williams, Ms. Clark, Ms. Oliver, Messrs. Tamilia, Borneman, Inks, and Jackson, Ms. Thomas, Ms. Sanchioli, Ms. Croom, Ms. McCarthy, Ms. Cortazzo, Messrs. Shaffer, Meyer, and Vallarian, (Authority staff).

The Chairperson asked everyone to stand for the Pledge of Allegiance.

There were no visitors who requested to speak during the public comment period.

Mr. Dave Borneman (Director of Engineering and Construction) provided the Board with an update on the Act 537 Plant Expansion Special Study Status and Requirements. The study has recently been completed by CDM Smith with input from Wade Trim, ARCADIS, and ALCOSAN staff. The study will be posted in local newspapers in mid-January 2018 and the public will have 30 days to comment. The study will also be posted on the ALCOSAN website and copies will be sent to the Authority's 83 municipal customers and placed in public libraries. All written comments should be submitted to Jeanne Clark, the Authority's Director of Communications. It is anticipated that the study will be presented to the City of Pittsburgh and PWSA for formal approval by resolution sometime in the Spring of 2018.

Mr. Bill Inks (Director of Finance and Administration) presented the 2018 Fiscal Year Budget. The proposed year budget anticipates revenues of \$176,651,200.00, operating expenses of 92,728,300.00; and net operating income available for debt service of \$59,248,000.00. The Authority Board adopted a 7.5% rate increase effective January 1, 2018. The Capital Improvements Program for 2018 consists of the implementation or completion of 34 active projects. These projects plus the \$3,477,700.00 allocated for low cost capital improvements total \$654,632,800.00. It is projected that approximately \$72,971,681.00 will be expended on active capital projects during 2018. ALCOSAN received an "A1" rating by Moody's and an "A" rating from Standard & Poor's; both agencies predict a stable economic outlook for the Authority.

Mr. Greg Jones (Chair, Customer Assistance Program Board Committee) provided an update on the program. There were 849 applications processed, 764 applications approved, approximately \$47,350.00 has been disbursed, and \$92,000 has yet to be disbursed to qualified applicants. He also noted that 46% of the households approved included senior citizens. Mr. Jones commended ALCOSAN staff on a job well done.

The Board acknowledged receipt of the report of actions by the Executive Director in approval of a construction change order of less than \$30,000.00 and a cumulative total change order value to date of less than five percent of the original contract amount:

1. No.1, under Contract 1664, "Replace Incinerator Tube Bundles," to Simakas Company Inc., for \$1,402.91 to repair the refractory on the Evaporator Unit # 2 access door. The original amount of the contract was \$934,767.00. The current value of the contract including this change order is \$936,169.91.

Upon motion of Mr. Readshaw, seconded by Mr. O'Connor, the Board approved the minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of November 16, 2017.

Upon motion of Mr. Readshaw, seconded by Mr. Jones, the Board authorized payment of invoices in excess of \$18,500.00 processed during the period, November 4, 2017 through December 4, 2017; ratified the action of the Executive Director in paying utility bills processed during the period and reviewed invoices between \$10,000.00 and \$18,500.00 processed during the same period, a copy of which will be made part of these minutes.

Upon motion of Mr. Weinstein, seconded by Mr. O'Connor, the Board approved the following change order that exceeds \$30,000.00 in value or whose cumulative total value with previously approved change orders is greater than five percent of the original contract amount:

1. No. 5, under Contract 1669, "Replacement of Fluid Bed Incinerator No. 2 Manifolds," to Simakas Company Inc., a credit for \$25,839.86 to reconcile the level of effort and actual costs under previously approved Change Order No. 1 and Change Order No. 3 that were performed on a time and materials basis. The original amount of the contract was \$584,476.00. The current value of the contract including this change order and previous change orders is \$682,243.14.

The Board considered bids received on November 30, 2017, under Contract No. 1685A, "Furnish and Deliver Caustic Soda (Diaphragm Grade)." Bids were received from Univar USA, Inc. and SAL Chemical Co., Inc. Upon motion of Mr. Jones, seconded by Ms. Smith, the Board awarded the contract to Univar USA, Inc., the lowest responsible bidder meeting the Authority's specifications at their price of \$.1735 per pound.

Upon motion of Mr. Readshaw, seconded by Mr. Weinstein, the Board authorized the preparation of specifications and advertisement for bids for the following contracts:

1. Contract 1686, "Furnish and Deliver Sodium Hypochlorite."
2. Contract 1687, "Furnish and Deliver Caustic Soda for Demineralization Unit Regeneration."

3. Contract 1688, "Furnish and Deliver Fiberglass Flights for the Primary Sedimentation Tanks."

Items denoted with an asterisk (\*) were reviewed by the Professional Services Committee at a publicly advertised meeting on November 27, 2017. The Committee unanimously approved and recommended that these items be submitted to the Board.

\*Upon motion of Mr. Readshaw, seconded by Mr. O'Connor, with Mr. Jones abstaining from the vote on Item No. 1 because of a potential conflict of interest given his involvement with the Saw Mill Run Watershed Association in his role as Executive Director of Economic Development South, 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 the Saw Mill Run Watershed Association, under an agreement for Professional Services, for an amount not to exceed \$75,000, to conduct and analyze survey research regarding municipal solids and floatables control. This effort will assist ALCOSAN in compliance with Nine Minimum Control 6, control of solids and floatables.
2. For JMT, under the agreement for Engineering Consultant Services, for an amount not to exceed \$67,394.00 to provide for construction inspection services for the emergency repairs to the A-34 Regulator Structure and Dropshaft.

Upon motion of Mr. Jones, seconded by Mr. O'Connor, the Board authorized the Executive Director to enter into a license agreement in a form approved by the solicitor with the Redevelopment Authority of Allegheny County for construction of the Tassely Hollow Grit Chamber.

\*Upon motion of Mr. O'Connor, seconded by Mr. Jones, the Board awarded a contract to Hatch Chester for the evaluation of Local Limits in association with the Pre-Treatment Program for a fee not-to-exceed \$203,300.00.

Upon motion of Ms. Smith, seconded by Mr. Jones, the Board adopted Resolution No. 2017-12-1 authorizing the execution of a contribution agreement with the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, acting through the Department of Transportation regarding the Ravine Street stream removal project.

\*Upon motion of Mr. Weinstein, seconded by Mr. O'Connor, the Board awarded an On-Call Engineering and Architectural Services to prepare contract bid documents, plans and specifications for Capital Project No. S449, "Demolition of the Old Operations and Maintenance Facility" to Architectural Innovations, LLC at a cost not-to-exceed \$133,000.00.

Upon motion of Mr. Jones, seconded by Mr. O'Connor, the Board authorized the Executive Director to enter into a standard License Agreement with the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in a form approved by the Solicitor in order to occupy submerged lands of the Commonwealth to acquire access for modification of Regulator M-59.

Upon motion of Mr. O'Connor, seconded by Mr. Jones, the Board approved the Board Meeting dates for the calendar year 2018 and authorized advertisement of those dates in accordance with the Sunshine Law:

Thursday, January 25, 2018	Fourth Thursday
Thursday, February 22, 2018	Fourth Thursday
Thursday, March 22, 2018	Fourth Thursday
Thursday, April 26, 2018	Fourth Thursday
Thursday, May 17, 2018	Third Thursday
Thursday, June 28, 2018	Fourth Thursday
Thursday, July 26, 2018	Fourth Thursday
<b>No Meeting in August</b>	
Thursday, September 27, 2018	Fourth Thursday
Thursday, October 25, 2018	Fourth Thursday
Thursday, November 15, 2018	Third Thursday
Thursday, December 13, 2018	Second Thursday

Upon motion of Mr. O'Connor, seconded by Mr. Jones, the Board adopted the 2017 Consulting Engineers Report and the 2018 Operating and Capital Budgets.

There was no new business. The next Board of Directors Meeting will be held on January 25, 2018.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 5:04 p.m.