

MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF THE
ALLEGHENY COUNTY SANITARY AUTHORITY
THURSDAY, JUNE 27, 2019

The meeting was called to order at 4:34 p.m. in the office of the Authority, 3300 Preble Avenue, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. Those present were Board Members Ms. Sylvia Wilson, Ms. Brenda Smith, Mr. John Weinstein; Messrs. Jack Shea and Corey O'Connor participated by telephone; and Dr. Shannah Tharp-Gilliam and Mr. Harry Readshaw did not attend the meeting. Also in attendance were Messrs. Chip Babst (Babst Calland), Mike Ryder (Hatch), Mark Wolinsky (3RWW), Ed Kluitenberg (CDM Smith), Ms. Williams, Ms. Oliver, Ms. Clark, Ms. Kennedy, Ms. Buys, Messrs. Inks, Jackson, and Vallarian, Ms. Thomas, Ms. Slater-Wood, Ms. Croom, Ms. Donahue, Ms. Marunczak, Ms. Fantoni, Ms. Skundrich, Ms. Sanchioli, Ms. Coston, Ms. DeMasi, and Mr. Prevost (Authority staff).

Everyone stood for the Pledge of Allegiance.

No visitors requested to speak during the public comment period.

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*).

Mr. Bill Inks (Director of Finance & Administration) provided an update on the 2019 Operating Costs and Revenues. As of May 31, 2019 and with roughly 42% of the year completed, the Authority has collected approximately 38% of the budgeted revenue and spent about 38% of its budgeted expenditures. These numbers are fairly consistent with previous years; as the year progresses and expenses will rise as maintenance costs and plant improvements increase during the summer months. There is no concern with a revenue shortfall of 5.9% attributed to May being a short month with the Memorial Day holiday. It is a timing issue; the Authority received a payment on June 1, 2019 of slightly more than \$4 million and actually exceeded the June budget by 5.4%. The revenue shortfall has been nearly eliminated. Mr. Inks anticipates that there may be some impact to revenue due to the wet weather and less recreational water use. The Authority is in good financial condition at the stage of the year.

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

1. No. 2 and Final, under Contract 1635A, "Tassey Hollow Grit Chamber", from Independent Enterprises, Inc., a credit in the amount of \$7,820.00 to adjust bid item quantities. The original contract amount was \$569,570.00. The revised contract amount including this Change Order is \$594,668.00. This construction change order was generated in anticipation of contaminated soil on this project. There was not; hence, the issuance of a credit.

Upon motion of Mr. Weinstein, seconded by Ms. Smith, the Board approved the minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of May 16, 2019.

Upon motion of Mr. Weinstein, seconded by Ms. Smith, the Board authorized payment of invoices in excess of \$20,100.00 processed during the period of May 8, 2019 through June 17, 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. Weinstein, seconded by Mr. Shea, the Board authorized the preparation of specifications and advertisement for bids for the following contracts:

1. Contract No. 1716, "Main Pump Station Flow Meters and Access Platform"
2. Contract No. 1717, "O&M Building Facade Repairs"
3. Contract No. 1718, "Furnish and Deliver Teflon Tubing for Industrial Waste Sampling"
4. Contract No. 1719, "Miscellaneous Sewer Improvements at Various Locations"
5. Contract No. 1720, "Replacement of Fluid Bed Incinerator No. 1 Manifolds" *(It was noted that this is a substantial contract and repairs are needed as quickly as possible in preparation for the upcoming season).*

Upon motion of Ms. Smith, seconded by Mr. Weinstein, the Board rejected all bids for Contract No. 1712, "Furnish and Deliver Chemicals and Technical Service for Treatment of Boiler Water, Steam, and Condensate". Due to concerns with the contract, the Authority would be better served by rejecting all bids and rebidding the contract. A request to rebid the contract will be presented next month.

Upon motion of Ms. Smith, seconded by Mr. Weinstein, the Board rejected all bids for Contract No. 1713, "Furnish and Deliver FRP Storage Tanks for Sodium Hypochlorite". This contract will not be rebid. After discussions with the Solicitor and an extensive internal investigation, it was determined the best course of action is to move this contract into a preexisting contract.

The items denoted with an asterisk () were reviewed by the Professional Services Committee at a publicly advertised meeting on June 13, 2019. The Committee unanimously approved and recommended that these items be submitted to the Board.*

*Upon motion of Mr. Weinstein, seconded by Ms. Smith, the Board awarded the following two projects and authorized the Executive Director to negotiate the fee:

- ✓ Engineering Services for the CIPP Lining of the Subaqueous Interceptor (Capital Project No. S-469) to ms Consultants
- ✓ Engineering Services for the CIPP Lining of the Saw Mill Run Interceptor (Capital Project No. S-469) to JMT.

Initially, both of these projects were incorporated into a single contract. After further review, it was determined that it would be more feasible to separate into two contracts. One project to focus exclusively on Saw Mill Run and the other on the Subaqueous Interceptor.

*Upon motion of Mr. Weinstein, seconded by Ms. Smith, the Board awarded Engineering Services for the Wastewater Pump Station Rehabilitation and Replacement for Brush Run, Herbst Hollow, and Oakdale Pump Stations (Capital Project No. S-446) to Gannett Fleming and authorized the Executive Director to negotiate the fee. The Authority is undertaking the transfer of four pump stations and four equalization facilities under its Regionalization effort. These pump stations and equalization tanks have undergone a facility assessment to identify operational condition, safety codes and resultant capital improvement needs. As part of the transfer, improvements and upgrades will be made to the three wastewater pump stations identified above (Brush Run Pump Station in Upper St. Clair; Herbst Hollow Pump Station in Kennedy Township; and Oakdale Pump Station in Oakdale, PA) to ensure successful operation.

*Upon motion of Mr. Weinstein, seconded by Ms. Smith, the Board approved a Service Authorization for Professional Consultant. Assignment is based on consultants' past efforts, knowledge and understanding of the tasks involved and the availability of the consultant's staff to perform the tasks in the time required:

For ms Consultants, under the agreement for Engineering Consultant Services, for an amount not to exceed \$409,064.11 to provide engineering and construction management services for Capital Project S470, "Flap Gate Replacement at Various Locations". Flap gates will be replaced along the Allegheny River and Monongahela River Interceptor (*flap gate repairs are done annually; typically, firms are contracted for one year. At times, extensions have been requested and granted due to inclement weather*).

*Upon motion of Mr. Weinstein, seconded by Ms. Smith, the Board also approved the following Service Authorization for Professional Consultant. Assignment is based on consultants' past efforts, knowledge and understanding of the tasks involved and the availability of the consultant's staff to perform the tasks in the time required:

For ms Consultants, under the agreement for Engineering Consultant Services, for an amount not to exceed \$47,972.00 to perform the scope of services under Capital Program S-460, "WA-4 Storage Building". This contract is for work at the Authority. There is an opportunity to add a building to the top of one of the aeration tanks for storage purposes (*currently, only one tank is covered*).

*The item denoted with an asterisk (**) was reviewed by the Green Committee at a publicly advertised meeting on June 11, 2019. The Committee unanimously approved and recommended that this item be submitted to the Board.*

**Upon motion of Ms. Smith, seconded by Mr. Weinstein, the Board agreed to modify the Grant Agreements for the Green Revitalization of Our Waterways (GROW) Program by extending the Term of the Contract.

Upon motion of Mr. Weinstein, seconded by Mr. O'Connor, the Board agreed to the following:

- Ratify the action of the Executive Director in settling the Collective Bargaining Agreement between the Authority and the Teamsters Local Union 249 who represent the Authority's Security Officers. The parties agreed to a five-year contract. Mr. Weinstein commended the Authority and the Union on a job well done negotiating and resolving all matters and reaching a settlement.
(Note: This item inadvertently did not appear on the agenda)

The next Board of Directors Meeting will be held on July 25, 2019.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at approximately 4:52 p.m.