

BUFFALO WATER BOARD MINUTES
April 12, 2017

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Oluwole A. McFoy
Gerald Kelly
Michael Finn
William Sunderlin

OTHERS PRESENT:

Peter Merlo
Jack McMahon
Ken Maving
Stephen Waldvogel
Charles Martorana
David Hill
Tim Cupo
Damon Sykes
Michael Wolasz
Lisa Foti
Ken Hapke

The regular monthly meeting of the Buffalo Water Board was called to order at 8:00 a.m.

1. Motion by Mr. Sunderlin to approve the agenda. Seconded by Mr. Finn. Approved.
2. Motion by Mr. Finn to approve the minutes from the March 30, 2017 meeting. Seconded by Mr. Sunderlin. Approved.
3. Staff Update: Mr. Hill provided a staffing update to the Buffalo Water Board.
4. Upon the recommendation of the Principal Engineer of the Division of Water, motion made by Mr. Sunderlin to authorize funding a contract for professional services with GHD Consulting Services, Inc. (GHD) for Colonel Ward Water Treatment Plant Asbestos Abatement, Pumping Plant and Filter Plant Improvements project, to be engaged by the City of Buffalo, in an amount not-to-exceed \$364,700.00. Seconded by Mr. Kelly. Approved.
5. Upon the recommendation of the Principal Engineer of the Division of Water, motion made by Mr. Sunderlin to authorize Veolia Water to provide additional services, by engaging a qualified and responsible contractor, upon the receipt of competitive bids, for the immediate replacement of two Poly Aluminum Chloride (PAC) storage tanks at Colonel Ward Water Treatment Plant in an amount not-to-exceed \$200,000, inclusive of Veolia Water's 10% administrative fee. Seconded by Mr. Finn. Approved.
6. Upon the recommendation of the Principal Engineer of the Division of Water, motion made by Mr. Kelly to authorize Veolia Water to contract with STC Construction, Inc. to provide labor, through June 30, 2018, on an as needed basis, for the cleaning of the Colonel Ward Water Treatment Plant solids basins in an amount not-to-exceed \$100,000, inclusive of Veolia Water's 10% administrative fee. Seconded by Mr. Sunderlin. Approved.
7. Upon the recommendation of the Principal Engineer of the Division of Water, motion made by Mr. Sunderlin to approve an increase in funding of the Destro & Brothers Concrete Co., Inc. contract for the Elmwood Avenue 16" Watermain and Large Valve Replacement Project, engaged by the City of Buffalo, in an amount not-to-exceed \$114,764.39. Seconded by Mr. Finn. Approved.
8. Upon the recommendation of the Principal Engineer of the Division of Water, motion made by Mr. Kelly to authorize Oluwole McFoy, Chairman of the Buffalo Water Board, to contract with the State University of New York at Buffalo for a Corrosion Control Research Project, to be managed by Professor Alan J. Rabideau, and assisted by graduate students from the University, to be engaged by the Buffalo Water Board, in an amount not-to-exceed \$150,000. Seconded by Mr. Finn. Approved.
9. Mr. Maving of GHD Consulting Services, Inc. presented a summary of the invoices to be paid to Veolia Water and recommended payment to Veolia Water for services rendered as follows:

- a) Motion by Mr. Sunderlin to approve payment of \$2,680.00 inclusive of Veolia's 10% administrative fee for services by County Line Stone Company, Inc. for materials for East North Street restoration work. Seconded by Mr. Finn. Approved.
 - b) Motion by Mr. Finn to approve payment of \$132,066.00 inclusive of Veolia's 10% administrative fee for services by Henry Pratt Company, LLC for large valve replacement for Porter Avenue Project. Seconded by Mr. Sunderlin. Approved.
 - c) Motion by Mr. Sunderlin to approve payment of \$81,782.80 inclusive of Veolia's 10% administrative fee for services by K&S Contractors Supply, Inc. for large valve replacement for Porter Avenue Project. Seconded by Mr. Finn. Approved.
 - d) Motion by Mr. Sunderlin to approve payment of \$2,940.30 inclusive of Veolia's 10% administrative fee for services by Kennedy Valve for large valve replacement for Porter Avenue Project. Seconded by Mr. Finn. Approved.
 - e) Motion by Mr. Finn to approve payment of \$54,559.47 inclusive of Veolia's 10% administrative fee for services by Kimil Construction Inc. for emergency service repair. Seconded by Mr. Sunderlin. Approved.
 - f) Motion by Mr. Sunderlin to approve payment of \$19,416.67 inclusive of Veolia's 10% administrative fee for services by Lock City Supply Inc. for large valve replacement for Porter Avenue Project. Seconded by Mr. Finn. Approved.
 - g) Motion by Mr. Finn to approve payment of \$3,589.72 inclusive of Veolia's 10% administrative fee for services by Pinto Construction Services for emergency service repair and materials. Seconded by Mr. Sunderlin. Approved.
 - h) Motion by Mr. Sunderlin to approve payment of \$23,004.56 inclusive of Veolia's 10% administrative fee for services by Smith-Blair for large valve replacement for Porter Avenue Project. Seconded by Mr. Finn. Approved.
 - i) Motion by Mr. Sunderlin to approve payment of \$2,337.50 inclusive of Veolia's 10% administrative fee for services by Veliano Corporation for large valve replacement for Porter Avenue Project. Seconded by Mr. Finn. Approved.
10. Motion by Mr. Sunderlin to approve a fund transfer of \$ 114,764.39 from Buffalo Water Board Reserve Account to Structural Improvements Account (# 53023517-473020). Seconded by Mr. Finn. Approved.
 11. Motion by Mr. Sunderlin to approve a fund transfer of \$ 772,626.78 from Buffalo Water Board Reserve Account to Engineering & Technical Account (# 53023516-432004). Seconded by Mr. Finn. Approved.
 12. Mr. Waldvogel of GHD Consulting Services, Inc. (GHD) delivered a report of GHD's on-going services to assist the Buffalo Water Board on a number of projects, including the asbestos abatement at Colonel Ward Treatment Plant, back-up battery system at Colonel Ward Treatment Plant, the Traveling Screen project and the water pump project at Colonel Ward Treatment Plant.
 13. Mr. David Hill from Veolia Water presented and reviewed Veolia Water's monthly report with the Buffalo Water Board. He discussed various projects, including the installation of a backup feed line for the Poly Aluminum Chloride (PAC) tank, a third party report is being finalized following an audit of our chlorine risk management plan, the managers meeting room has been completed at Exchange Street, Invoice Cloud (a new software system) is now activated, and the Water Quality Report is posted on our web site and is ready for distribution.
 14. Chairman McFoy discussed the New York State Budget which included a \$45 million request from Buffalo Water. In addition, he announced Mayor Brown's City of Buffalo Earth Month program is underway with an Open House scheduled at the Colonel Ward Water Treatment Plant on April 29, 2017 with tours from 10 AM – 2 PM.
 15. Motion by Mr. Sunderlin to enter Executive Session. Seconded by Mr. Finn. Approved.
 16. Motion by Mr. Finn to exit Executive Session. Seconded by Mr. Sunderlin. Approved.
 17. Motion by Mr. Finn to adjourn. Seconded by Mr. Sunderlin. Approved.
Next meeting, Wednesday, May 17, 2017 at 8:00 a.m. in Room 502 at City Hall.