

BUFFALO WATER BOARD MINUTES
July 6, 2016

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Oluwole A. McFoy
Gerald Kelly
Michael Finn
William Sunderlin

OTHERS PRESENT:

Peter Merlo
Jack McMahon
Lisa Foti
Charles Martorana
Stephen Waldvogel
Tim Shea
William Ferguson
Tim Cupo
Damon Sykes
Ken Maving
Patrick Martin
Doug Fultz
Derek Nichols

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

1. Motion by Mr. Finn to approve the agenda. Seconded by Mr. Sunderlin. Approved.

Motion by Mr. Sunderlin to approve the minutes from the June 1, 2016 meeting. Seconded by Mr. Finn. Approved.
2. Staff Update: Mr. Merlo and Mr. Cupo provided a staffing update to the Buffalo Water Board.
3. Election of Officers: Mr. McFoy continues pursuant to Mayoral appointment as Chair of the Buffalo Water Board. Motion by Mr. Finn to nominate Mr. Sunderlin as Vice Chair of the Buffalo Water Board. Seconded by Mr. Kelly. Approved.
4. Election of Officers: Motion by Mr. Sunderlin to nominate Mr. Merlo as Secretary of the Buffalo Water Board. Seconded by Mr. Finn. Approved.
5. Governance Committee: Motion by Mr. Finn to nominate Mr. Sunderlin as Chair, Mr. Kelly as Vice Chair and Mr. Finn as a member of the Governance Committee of the Buffalo Water Board. Seconded by Mr. Sunderlin. Approved.
6. Audit Committee: Motion by Mr. Sunderlin to nominate Mr. Kelly as Chair, Mr. Finn as Vice Chair, and Mr. Sunderlin as a member of the Audit Committee. Seconded by Mr. Finn. Approved.
7. PAAA Compliance: The Water Board reviewed, with the assistance of legal counsel, the Water Board's Mission Statement and Performance Goals established pursuant to the New York State Public Authorities Accountability Act,

as amended (PAAA), as attached hereto. Motion by Mr. Sunderlin to adopt such Mission Statement and Performance Goals. Seconded by Mr. Finn. Approved.

8. Mr. Kelly inquired as to the scope of the Water Board's Mission Statement and received confirmation by Mr. Martorana, legal counsel, that the Water Board Mission Statement includes the possibility of holding a "Water Festival" on a suitable waterfront site adjacent to the Colonel Ward Pumping Station where there could be a celebration of our community's freshwater supply, including guided tours of the Colonel Ward Pumping Facility and demonstrations of how our water is treated to ensure water quality..
9. Derek Nichols representing Grassroots Gardens, requested the Water Board to authorize a hydrant use permit at 4 locations. Motion by Mr. Finn to table this request to allow for additional information to be gathered. Seconded by Mr. Sunderlin. Approved.
10. Motion by Mr. Sunderlin to approve a hydrant use permit for Taste of Buffalo. Seconded by Mr. Finn. Approved.
11. Motion by Mr. Finn to approve a Fund Transfer of \$ 533,279.28 from Buffalo Water Board Reserve Account to Structural Improvements Account (# 53023517-473020). Seconded by Mr. Sunderlin. Approved.
12. Upon the recommendation of the Principal Engineer of the Division of Water, motion made by Mr. Finn to approve Northland Avenue water main rehabilitation design services to be engaged by the City of Buffalo in an amount not-to-exceed \$15,780.00. Seconded by Mr. Sunderlin. Approved.
13. Upon the recommendation of the Principal Engineer of the Division of Water and Nussbaumer and Clarke, Inc., consulting engineers, motion made by Mr. Sunderlin to receive and file bids received for the Buffalo Water Board Manhattan Pump Station Improvements General Construction and Electrical Construction Contracts to be engaged by the City of Buffalo. Seconded by Mr. Finn. Approved.
14. Upon the recommendation of the Principal Engineer of the Division of Water, motion made by Mr. Finn to approve an increase in the current Nussbaumer and Clarke, Inc. Rehabilitation of Pump Stations professional services contract, engaged by the City of Buffalo in an amount not-to-exceed \$208,700.00. Seconded by Mr. Sunderlin. Approved.
15. Upon the recommendation of the Principal Engineer of the Division of Water, motion made by Mr. Sunderlin to authorize Veolia Water to perform preventative maintenance services of the Raw Water Screens by a contractor to be engaged by Veolia Water in an amount not-to-exceed \$10,000.00 inclusive of Veolia Water's 10% administrative fee. Seconded by Mr. Finn. Approved.
16. Upon the recommendation of the Principal Engineer of the Division of Water, motion made by Mr. Sunderlin to authorize Veolia Water to continue basin cleaning services

and authorize Veolia Water to extend its current service contract with Pinto Construction Service's for such basin cleaning at the Colonel Ward Pumping Facility in an amount not-to-exceed \$125,000.00, inclusive of Veolia Water's 10% administrative fee. Seconded by Mr. Finn. Approved.

17. Upon the recommendation of the Principal Engineer of the Division of Water, motion made by Mr. Sunderlin to authorize Veolia Water to extend its current service contract with Hach Service for preventative maintenance services on laboratory equipment at the Colonel Ward Pumping Facility in an amount not-to-exceed \$60,000.00, inclusive of Veolia Water's 10% administrative fee. Seconded by Mr. Finn. Approved.
18. Upon the recommendation of the Principal Engineer of the Division of Water, motion made by Mr. Kelly to approve the purchase of brass fittings for water meter installations from E. J. Prescott Company to be purchased by the City of Buffalo in an amount not-to-exceed \$60,000.00. Seconded by Mr. Finn. Approved.
19. Upon the recommendation of the Principal Engineer of the Division of Water, motion made by Mr. Sunderlin to authorize a water meter purchase contract with Neptune Technology Group, Inc. for meters to be purchased by the City of Buffalo Purchase Department in an amount not-to-exceed \$220,000.00. Seconded by Mr. Kelly. Approved.
20. Upon the recommendation of the Principal Engineer of the Division of Water, motion made by Mr. Sunderlin to approve construction of a temporary water main in South Park Botanical Gardens to be performed by contractors engaged by Veolia Water in an amount not-to-exceed \$55,000.00 inclusive of Veolia Water's 10% administrative fee. Seconded by Mr. Finn. Approved.
21. Upon the recommendation of the Principal Engineer of the Division of Water, motion made by Mr. Sunderlin to approve a Resolution (copy attached) to authorize an agreement for an easement and other matters to facilitate the development of real property located at Market Street and Perry Street. Seconded by Mr. Finn. Approved.
22. Upon the recommendation of the Principal Engineer of the Division of Water, motion made by Mr. Sunderlin to authorize purchase of automatic flushers through the City of Buffalo Purchase Department in an amount not-to-exceed \$60,000.00. Seconded by Mr. Finn. Approved.
23. Motion by Mr. Finn to approve a Fund Transfer of \$114,350.99 from Buffalo Water Board Reserve Account to Engineering and Technical Account (# 53023516-432004). Seconded by Mr. Sunderlin. Approved.
24. Mr. Waldvogel and Mr. Maving of GHD Consulting Services, Inc. delivered a report of GHD's on-going services to assist the Buffalo Water Board on a number of projects, including research related to community gardens, the emergency electrical work at the Valve House, the asbestos abatement at Colonel Ward Treatment Plant, Siemens High Service Pump Project and the electrical improvements at the Massachusetts Avenue Pump Station.

25. Mr. Cupo from Veolia Water presented and reviewed Veolia Water's monthly report with the Buffalo Water Board. He reported that, subject to final confirmation, it is projected that the Buffalo Water Board's annual revenues at the end of the 2015-2016 fiscal year will be approximately \$40,650,000 which will exceed the cumulative budgeted amount. He also reported that City of Buffalo Fire Department (BFD) will conduct a training exercise at the Colonel Ward Water Treatment Facility in December 2016. The BFD will also conduct a training exercise with our crews of a trench rescue in the near future. Parkside neighborhood low pressure complaints are being investigated, and will be the subject of a future report

Motion by Mr. Finn to adjourn. Seconded by Mr. Sunderlin. Approved.

Next meeting, Wednesday, August 10, 2016 at 8:00 a.m. in Room 502 in City Hall.