

BUFFALO WATER BOARD MINUTES
May 4, 2016

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Oluwole A. McFoy
Gerald Kelly
Michael Finn
William Sunderlin

OTHERS PRESENT:

Peter Merlo
Jack McMahon
Lisa Foti
Charles Martorana
Stephen Waldvogel
Michael Wolasz
William Ferguson
Tim Cupo
Damon Sykes
Ken Maving

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.

Motion by Mr. Kelly to approve the minutes from the April 7, 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. Motion by Mr. Finn to approve the Draft Fiscal Year 2016-2017 Annual Budget for the Buffalo Water Board. Seconded by Mr. Sunderlin. Approved.

4. Motion by Mr. Sunderlin to designate the Principal Engineer of the Division of Water to administer requests for waivers of the Buffalo Water Board hydrant fee to support gardening and other improvements of City of Buffalo owned property by Grassroots Gardens of Buffalo at various locations. All other hydrant permit requirements will be followed. Seconded by Mr. Finn. Approved.

5. Upon the recommendation of the Principal Engineer of the Division of Water, motion made by Mr. Finn to increase the current professional services contract of Watts Architecture & Engineering for an amount not-to-exceed \$134,102.00. Seconded by Mr. Sunderlin. Approved.

6. Upon the recommendation of the Principal Engineer of the Division of Water and Wendel, motion made by Mr. Finn to receive and file bids received for the Buffalo Water Board Citywide Street Cut Repair Program to be undertaken by independent contractors engaged by the City of Buffalo. Seconded by Mr. Sunderlin. Approved.

7. Motion by Mr. Finn to approve a Fund Transfer of \$1,200,000.00 from Buffalo Water Board Reserve Account to Structural Improvements Account (# 53023517-473020). Seconded by Mr. Sunderlin. Approved.
8. 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 as follows:
 - a) Motion by Mr. Sunderlin to approve payment of \$11,711.95 inclusive of Veolia's 10% administrative fee for services by Lock City Supply Inc. for emergency service repair. Seconded by Mr. Finn. Approved.
 - b) Motion by Mr. Finn to approve payment of \$9,095.48 inclusive of Veolia's 10% administrative fee for services by Pinto Construction Services for emergency service repair. Seconded by Mr. Sunderlin. Approved.
 - c) Motion by Mr. Finn to approve payment of \$9,376.92 inclusive of Veolia's 10% administrative fee for services by Visone Construction Inc. for emergency service repair. Seconded by Mr. Sunderlin. Approved.
9. Motion by Mr. Sunderlin to approve a Fund Transfer of \$141,270.60 from Buffalo Water Board Reserve Account to Engineering and Technical Account (# 53023516-432004). Seconded by Mr. Finn. Approved.
10. 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 the emergency electrical work at the Valve House, the asbestos abatement at Colonel Ward Treatment Plant, Siemens High Service Pump Project and the electrical work at Massachusetts Avenue Pump Station.
11. Mr. Cupo from Veolia Water presented and reviewed Veolia Water's monthly report with the Buffalo Water Board. He reported that auditors from the United States Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA) met with Veolia Water at the Colonel Ward Treatment Plant in April and commented favorably on the Buffalo Water Board's operations with Veolia Water's management. Mr. Cupo thanked the Buffalo Water Board for their support. He also indicated that Buffalo Fire Department has been very supportive to Veolia Water as well.

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

Next meeting, Wednesday, June 1, 2016 at 8:00 a.m. in the Room 502 City Hall.