

**BUFFALO WATER BOARD MINUTES**  
**October 9, 2018**

**MEMBERS PRESENT:**

**Oluwole A. McFoy**  
**Gerald Kelly**  
**Michael Finn**  
**William Sunderlin**

**OTHERS PRESENT:**

**Peter Merlo**  
**Jack McMahan**  
**David Hill**  
**Ken Maving**  
**Charles Martorana**  
**Stephen Waldvogel**  
**Damon Sykes**  
**Michael Carson**  
**Patrick Martin**  
**Michael Wolasz**  
**William Ferguson**  
**Lisa Foti**  
**Colin Knoer**  
**Cory Shirley**

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. Finn to approve the minutes from the September 5, 2018 meeting. Seconded by Mr. Sunderlin. Approved.
2. Staff Update: Mr. Hill with Veolia Water provided a staffing update to the Buffalo Water Board.
3. Mr. Kelly discussed a very successful event held at the Colonel Ward Water Treatment Facility on October 6 & 7, 2018 by the Buffalo Maritime Heritage Festival group. He thanked all involved for their hard work organizing the event including Veolia Water and Buffalo Water staff.
4. The Buffalo Water Board continued discussions regarding water rates and a Water Affordability Program. Two guests were present at the meeting from the University of Buffalo that are working with City of Buffalo staff to develop the Water Affordability Program to help Buffalo Water Board customers in need of financial assistance and to develop an outreach program to spread the message of the Water Affordability Program when it is adopted by the Buffalo Water Board.
5. Upon the recommendation of the Principal Engineer of the City Division of Water, motion made by Mr. Sunderlin to approve a no cost contract time extension for Distribution System Various Locations 3 Contract with Watts Architecture & Engineering (Contract No. 93001622) through April 30, 2019, to be administered by the City of Buffalo. Seconded by Mr. Finn. Approved.
6. Upon the recommendation of the Principal Engineer of the City Division of Water, motion made by Mr. Sunderlin to increase the Buffalo Water Board's funding for a contract by the City of Buffalo with Destro & Brothers Concrete Co., Inc. for additional services to its Citywide Water Cut Repair Program (contract # 93002260) in an amount not-to-exceed \$520,025.00. This contract will continue to be administered by the City of Buffalo, Division of Water. Seconded by Mr. Finn. Approved.

7. 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. Finn to approve payment of \$272,934.42, inclusive of Veolia's 10% administrative fee for services by Destro & Brothers Concrete Co., Inc. for Emergency Watermain Repair. Seconded by Mr. Kelly. Approved.
  - b) Motion by Mr. Sunderlin to approve payment of \$38,612.55, inclusive of Veolia's 10% administrative fee for services by Great Lakes Plumbing for Emergency Service Repair. Seconded by Mr. Finn. Approved.
  - c) Motion by Mr. Kelly to approve payment of \$22,655.89, inclusive of Veolia's 10% administrative fee for services by Schneider Electric for Emergency Panelview Modules Repair. Seconded by Mr. Finn. Approved.
  
8. Mr. Waldvogel of GHD Consulting Services, Inc. delivered a report of GHD's on-going professional services to assist the Buffalo Water Board on a number of projects, including: the Massachusetts Avenue Pumping Plant electrical upgrade project, the asbestos project is nearing completion, design for influent screen replacement, the on-going Water Charge Affordability Analysis, the optimization of the corrosion control analyses, the initiation of the chlorine valve replacement project, and the development of Requests For Proposals for Professional Management Services.
  
9. Mr. Hill from Veolia Water presented Veolia Water's monthly management report with the Buffalo Water Board. He reported that Home Serve will replace Dominion, and be the new provider of water/sewer line repair/replacement services for Buffalo Water Board customers. Veolia Water is also negotiating Lead Service Line replacement services and costs with Home Serve. Veolia Water is actively searching for a replacement Asset Manager. A replacement telephone system is being tested and will be in service shortly. A new multi-language system will be in place soon to help translate for customers in need of this service.

Motion by Mr. Sunderlin to adjourn at 9:02 A.M. Seconded by Mr. Finn. Approved.

Next meeting, Thursday, November 8, 2018 at 8:00 A.M. This meeting will be in Room 502 in City Hall.