

BUFFALO WATER BOARD MINUTES
January 16, 2019

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
Ryan Hoople
Lisa Foti
William Ferguson

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 December 12, 2018 meeting. Seconded by Mr. Kelly. Approved.

2. Motion by Mr. Finn to approve a Board meeting schedule for the 2019 calendar year in compliance with the Public Authorities Accountability Act. Seconded by Mr. Sunderlin. Approved.

3. Upon the recommendation of the City of Buffalo Department of Law, the Buffalo Water Board approved payment of the following claims:

- a) Motion made by Mr. Sunderlin to approve payment of \$2,500.00 to settle a claim with National Fuel Gas regarding a claim previously approved, but requiring additional interest. Seconded by Mr. Finn. Approved.
- b) Motion made by Mr. Sunderlin to approve payment of \$2,536.48 to settle a claim for a utility strike by Buffalo Water against National Fuel Gas. Seconded by Mr. Finn. Approved.

4. Staff Update: Mr. Hill with Veolia Water provided a staffing update to the Buffalo Water Board.

5. Mr. Merlo presented the 6-year Capital Improvement Plan to the Buffalo Water Board. Motion by Mr. Sunderlin to approve the 6-year Capital Improvement Plan as presented. Seconded by Mr. Finn. Approved.

6. Upon the recommendation of the Principal Engineer of the City Division of Water, motion made by Mr. Finn to authorize a contract with Nussbaumer & Clarke, Inc. for Arc-Flash and Shock Risk Assessments – Incident Energy Analysis for Massachusetts Avenue Pump Station Project in an amount not-to-exceed \$16,625.00. This contract will be administered by the City of Buffalo, Division of Water. Seconded by Mr. Sunderlin. Approved.

7. Upon the recommendation of the Principal Engineer of the City Division of Water, motion by Mr. Sunderlin to re-allocate \$50,000.00 previously appropriated for the Concrete Vault and

Abandoned Waterline Removal under Swan Street Bridge Project. The contractor, Destro & Brothers Concrete Company Inc. will have a contract in an amount not-to-exceed \$40,000.00 and the remaining \$10,000.00 will be used for Resident Inspection services. This contract will be administered by the City of Buffalo, Division of Engineering. Seconded by Mr. Finn. 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 for services rendered as follows:
 - a) Motion by Mr. Finn to approve payment of \$89,782.71, 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. Finn to approve payment of \$23,801.25, inclusive of Veolia's 10% administrative fee for services by Great Lakes Plumbing for Emergency Service Repair. Seconded by Mr. Sunderlin. Approved.
9. Motion by Mr. Finn to approve a Fund Transfer of \$166,684.35 from Buffalo Water Board Reserve Account to Engineering and Technical Account (# 53023516-432004). Seconded by Mr. Sunderlin. Approved.
10. Motion by Mr. Sunderlin 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. Kelly. Approved.
11. 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 influent screen replacement project, the on-going Water Charge Affordability Analysis, the filter upgrade project, the initiation of the chlorine valve replacement project, the development of Requests For Proposals for Professional Management Services, and development of documents to support the Buffalo Municipal Water Finance Authority's anticipated Bond Issue scheduled for March 2019.
12. Mr. Hill from Veolia Water presented Veolia Water's monthly management report with the Buffalo Water Board. He reported that Veolia Water has hired Ryan Hoople as a new Asset Manager. A replacement telephone system is in service. A new multi-language system is also in place to help translate for customers in need of this service.

Motion by Mr. Finn to adjourn at 8:53 A.M. Seconded by Mr. Sunderlin. Approved.

Next meeting, Thursday, February 14, 2019 at 8:00 A.M. This meeting will be in Room 502 in City Hall.